



## **Bend FFA Chapter**

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"Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve"

~FFA Motto

Oregon FFA,

Every person gets at least one great opportunity. One time where they are forced to make a choice that could change the course of their lives. This is the time where one must refuse to back down. In 2013, I was given the opportunity to join an organization that would change my life forever. It gave me the chance to find a passion that I would have never found on my own. Improving the lives of others.

In 2013, I was given the chance to be a part of an organization that would give me the opportunity to meet thousands of people who share the same interest I do and would give anything to see others succeed and expand with something they are passionate about. Through the FFA I have learned that if you put your mind to it you can do it. There is no other organization which will give you this experience to the same effect. The people who lead this organization as the Oregon FFA State Officers have the ability to connect with each and every member and show them how important it is to 'Never Back Down.'

As an Oregon FFA State Officer candidate for the 2017-2018 year, I will make it my main goal to show the Oregon FFA members to never back down to any intimidating opportunity. It is the intimidating and scary things which help a person grow the most. Within each member, there is a chance to grow to reach their full potential. Some need the push, some need to know that there is always going to be someone who can see what potential a member has inside of them. I aspire to be that person to as many people as possible.

This year, at state convention, I will continue to make every effort to achieve my goal and become the person I aspire to be. It is with passion in my heart, determination in my soul, and with dedication to the FFA that I announce I will attend the 89<sup>th</sup> Oregon FFA State Convention as an official candidate for the 2017-2018 Oregon FFA State Officer Team.

Respectfully,

Mariah Jarvis  
Bend FFA Chapter Vice President

*"Leadership is not a position  
or a title; it is an action and  
example"*

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