



Joseph FFA Chapter

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Dear Oregon FFA,

I once heard a quote at a past state convention, which really made me think about my life. “If every American was like me, what kind of America would America be?” What a question to ask yourself, right? If every single person in this great country was like me, would we still be the great country we are today? Hearing that as a shy sophomore, I realized something about myself. I may not make up the entire population of this country, but I am a part of it. If I don’t do my best, who is to say, anyone else will? We all must strive to be the best that we can be.

Simply by being members of this outstanding organization, we all are creating a better world for ourselves and others. As FFA members, we are learning to be better inside and out of the classroom, while developing career skills. We compete in CDE’s in order to better learn from hands-on experience. We earn our living through hard work, and determination, and we live to serve those around us through leadership positions and kindness. These are all achievements made by past and present members of the FFA, all of which are continually bettering the world. So, I too must take part in that push for a better world.

Through my involvement as an FFA member, I have created opportunities for myself that have led to the betterment of my leadership skills. Beginning as a timid 8th grader, I never imagined that I could achieve what I have. The confidence I have gained through FFA, has taught me that anything is possible, when you apply yourself. I now know that I can do much more than I previously thought I could. That is why I am doing something I never before imagined I would do.

I am proud to announce my candidacy for the 2016-2017 Oregon FFA State Officer Team. It would be my pleasure to serve the state for a year, and give back to the fantastic organization, which has shaped me into the person I am today. I can’t wait to see you all at Corvallis, where we will all be bettering ourselves.

Sincerely,

Raymond L. Seal
Joseph FFA President
Eastern Oregon District Vice President



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

Freshman year (2012-2013)

FFA

Degree Earned:

- Greenhand Degree

Awards:

- Star Greenhand

Contests:

- Creed Speaking
- Greenhand Parli-Pro Livestock Judging
- Wallowa County Fair Livestock

Events:

- FFA Drive-by Dinner
- Alumni Auction
- Elks Dinner Volunteer
- Chapter Banquet
- Christmas Tree Sales
- Chapter Meetings
- Alumni Meetings

Committee Work:

- Junior Rodeo Committee

Non-FFA Related

- Varsity Wrestling
- Varsity Football
- Varsity Track & Field
- FCCLA Member
- Joseph Ed. Foundation Volunteer
- JHS Pep Band

Sophomore year (2013-2014)

FFA

Degree Earned:

- Chapter Degree

Awards:

- Super Sophomore

Contests:

- So. Prepared Pub. Speaking-District
- Advanced Parli-Pro- District
- Livestock Judging- Wallowa County Fair
- Livestock Judging- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
- Livestock Judging- State Fair
- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Swine Showman
- Wallowa County Fair Swine Showman
- Ag. Sales- District
- Soils Judging- District

Events:

- FFA Drive-by Dinner
- Alumni Auction
- Elks Dinner Volunteer
- Chapter Banquet
- Chapter Greenhand Initiation

- State Convention
- District Convention
- Christmas Tree Sales
- Chapter Meetings
- Alumni Meetings

Committee Work:

- Junior Rodeo Committee
- Banquet Committee
- Awards Committee

Non-FFA Related

- Varsity Wrestling
- Varsity Football
- Varsity Track & Field
- FCCLA Member
- FCCLA Chapter Officer
- Honor Society Member
- Joseph Ed. Foundation Volunteer
- JHS Pep Band

Junior year (2014-2015)

FFA

Offices Held:

- Chapter Treasurer

Degree Earned:

- State Degree

Awards:

- Star Chapter Farmer

Contests:

- Advanced Exempt. Speaking-District 1st Place
- Advanced Exempt. Speaking-Sectionals
- Advanced Parli-Pro- District 2nd Place
- Advanced Parli-Pro- Sectionals
- Advanced Rituals Contest
- Livestock Judging- Wallowa County Fair
- Livestock Judging- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
- Livestock Judging- State Fair
- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Swine Showman
- Wallowa County Fair Swine Showman
- Ag. Sales- District
- Tractor Driving Contest-District

Events:

- FFA Drive-by Dinner
- Alumni Auction
- Elks Dinner Volunteer
- Chapter Banquet
- State Convention
- Eastern Oregon Leadership Camp
- District Convention
- Christmas Tree Sales
- Chapter Meetings
- Alumni Meetings

Committee Work:

- Banquet Committee
- Awards Committee

Non-FFA Related

- Varsity Wrestling
- Varsity Football
- Varsity Track & Field
- FCCLA Member
- FCCLA State President
- Honor Society Member
- Joseph Ed. Foundation Volunteer
- JHS Pep Band

Senior year (2015-2016)

FFA

Offices Held:

- Chapter President
- District Vice President

Awards:

- Star Chapter Farmer

Contests:

- Livestock Judging- Wallowa County Fair
- Livestock Judging- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
- Livestock Judging- State Fair
- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Swine Showman
- Wallowa County Fair Swine Showman
- Prospecting- District 1st Place
- Telephone Order- District
- Customer Service- District

Events:

- FFA Drive-by Dinner
- Alumni Auction
- Livestock Judging Clinic
- Eastern Oregon Leadership Camp
- Christmas Tree Sales
- Chapter Meetings
- Alumni Meetings
- District Officer Meetings

Committee Work:

- Banquet Committee
- Awards Committee

Non-FFA Related

- Varsity Wrestling
- Varsity Football
- Varsity Track & Field
- FCCLA Member
- FCCLA State President
- Honor Society Member
- Joseph Ed. Foundation Volunteer
- JHS Pep Band