



**GERVAIS**  
**FFA CHAPTER**

Dear Oregon FFA,

From the time I was very little, livestock and agriculture have always been a huge part of my life, and something I really enjoy. My whole life I've lived on a 40 acre hazelnut farm in the Willamette Valley where my family and I have raised every animal from cattle, to ducks, to sheep and goats. Whenever someone asks me how many pets I have, I have to contemplate including the chicken I hand raised and horse I pestered every day in that number. Agriculture is something I live with every day and I love it so much.

The summer after my 7th grade year, I followed the steps of my older sister and signed up for my very first volunteer opportunity which was through the FFA. My soon to be chapter helped out at the Great Oregon Steam Up and I had lots of interactions with the public and experience with leadership. This was something completely new to me, and right away, I absolutely loved it. I knew FFA was something I wanted to be a part of from that day. I started attending chapter meetings and became an officer the first chance I got, my sister helping me along the way. I'm so glad I went to the Steam Up that year because it showed me a small glimpse of the opportunities the blue jacket can offer. My entire high school career I spent my time advocating for FFA and agriculture, taking every chance to participate in activities provided.

I am stoked to announce my Oregon FFA State Officer candidacy for the 2023-24 year! I believe everything in the past five years has led me to this point, and I know I can be an amazing leader. I hope to show every FFA member the amazing opportunities and possibilities the blue jacket can bring you, like I discovered the first time I volunteered with my FFA chapter.

Sincerely,

Lauren Ferschweiler

Gervais FFA Chapter President





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<b>Freshmen Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>Sophomore Year 2020-2021</b>	<b>Junior Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>Senior Year 2022-2023</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breeding goat SAE</li> <li>● Oktoberfest</li> <li>● Elementary Pumpkin Patch</li> <li>● Sacred Heart Food Drive</li> <li>● State Veterinary Science</li> <li>● Chapter barn Clean up</li> <li>● Spring Awards Banquet</li> <li>● Alumni Auction</li> <li>● District Creed Speaking</li> <li>● FFA State Convention</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4-H member</li> <li>● 4-H county Fair goats</li> <li>● Champions Choice Lamb Camp</li> <li>● Marion County Lamb and Wool Show</li> <li>● Faith Formation</li> <li>● Sacred Heart Cemetery Clean Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breeding goat SAE</li> <li>● State Veterinary Science</li> <li>● Leadership camp</li> <li>● District Rituals</li> <li>● POA</li> <li>● District Convention Virtually</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4-H Member</li> <li>● Faith Formation</li> <li>● 4 H Virtual County fair</li> <li>● Bauman Farms</li> <li>● Sacred Heart Ground Clean Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● District Public Speaking</li> <li>● District Leadership Camp</li> <li>● Oktoberfest</li> <li>● Chapter Officer Retreat</li> <li>● District Ag Sales</li> <li>● State Veterinary Science</li> <li>● Elementary School Pumpkin Patch</li> <li>● Marion County Food Drive</li> <li>● District Rituals</li> <li>● FFA State Convention</li> <li>● District Convention Portfolios</li> <li>● Judging Proficiencies Judging at State</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4-H County Fair Show</li> <li>● Faith Formation</li> <li>● Schiedler Family Nursery</li> <li>● Champions Choice Lamb Camp</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● District Leadership Camp</li> <li>● Oktoberfest</li> <li>● Chapter Officer Retreat</li> <li>● Long Bros SAE</li> <li>● Market Goat SAE</li> <li>● District Job Interview</li> <li>● District Rituals</li> <li>● District Ag Sales</li> <li>● State Veterinary Science</li> <li>● Elementary School Pumpkin Patch</li> <li>● Marion County Food Drive</li> <li>● FFA State Convention</li> <li>● FFA Capital District convention</li> <li>● Proficiency judging at State</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4-H Member</li> <li>● NHS</li> </ul>