



Tillamook FFA Chapter

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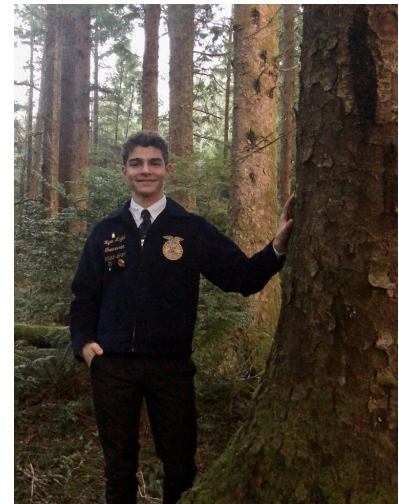
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Dear Oregon FFA,

I awoke to the sound of howling winds, and rain beating down on the roof--Not exactly an ideal start to a springtime Saturday. Little did I know, that morning I would learn a valuable lesson in an unexpected way. As I forced myself out of bed, I thought of what little Shakespeare I knew and asked myself the question, "to fish, or not to fish?" I wasn't even sure if I could get a line out through the seemingly gale force winds, but I decided to head to the lake anyway. As I drove toward the lake, I wondered if the trip would even be worth the gas it took to get there. My optimism was fading, but I continued driving. When I got to the lake I tied on my go-to lure and got to work. Struggling to cast into the wind, I felt frustrated. I had been fishing for all of twenty minutes when the storm seemed to escalate. I decided I would call it a day after throwing in one last cast. On that cast, to my surprise, I hooked the biggest largemouth bass of my life. When I finally got it on shore I was shaking with excitement. I quickly weighed the fish and put it back in the water. As I watched it swim back to the depths, I became keenly aware of how close I came to completely missing this unforgettable opportunity.



Everyone has something they are passionate about, and for me that thing is fishing. I never feel as relaxed and care-free as when I'm throwing out a line. Over the years fishing has taught me many valuable lessons, but the biggest of those is that you should take every opportunity that is presented to you because you never know where it might take you. When my advisor sent me a message sophomore year encouraging me to run for District Office, I was reluctant to say the least, but I quickly decided I had nothing to lose and filled out the application. Two years and four officer positions later I couldn't be more grateful, as each time it's taken me places I never expected.

As I am nearing the end of my senior year of high school, there is one opportunity that I'm not going to let be "the one that got away." With that, I am thrilled to announce my candidacy for the 2023-2024 Oregon State Officer Team. Oregon FFA, as we all move through the next year of our lives, I encourage you to cast out a line and seize the opportunities before you, because you never know where they might lead.

All the Best,

*"Many men go fishing all of their lives
without knowing that it is not fish they
are after."*

Ryan Mizée
Tillamook Chapter Sentinel
Northwest District Treasurer

Henry David Thoreau

List of Activities and Awards

<i>Freshman</i> 2019-2020	<i>Sophomore</i> 2020-2021	<i>Junior</i> 2021-2022	<i>Senior</i> 2022-2023
<p>Degree: Greenhand</p> <p>FFA Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Showed Dairy Cattle at Tillamook County Fair ● Greenhand Week ● National FFA Week ● Tillamook County Dairy Cattle Evaluation Contest ● State Novice Livestock Evaluation Contest ● Plant Sale ● Greenhand Conference (8th Grade Year 2018-2019) ● SAE on Tilla-Bay Farms <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tillamook High School Charity Drive ● Act in Kindness Project ● Played Junior Varsity Soccer 	<p>Degree: Chapter</p> <p>FFA Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elected as NW District Treasurer ● Elected as Tillamook Chapter Treasurer ● Star Chapter Farmer Award ● Virtual State Dairy Cattle Evaluation ● Virtual State Livestock Evaluation ● Showed Dairy Cattle at Tillamook County Fair ● Holiday Greenery Fundraiser ● Dairy Cattle Evaluation at Tillamook County Fair ● SAE on Tilla-Bay Farms <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Act in Kindness Project ● Played Varsity Soccer 	<p>Degree: State</p> <p>FFA Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Re-Elected as NW District Treasurer ● Elected as Tillamook Chapter Sentinel ● NW District Leadership Camp ● Oregon District Officer Training ● State Dairy Cattle Evaluation ● District Rituals ● Scio Dairy Cattle Evaluation ● Showed Dairy Cattle at Tillamook County Fair ● Jeep Jamboree Dinner ● Priority Robotics National Convention Fundraiser ● Tillamook County Creamery Association Annual Member Dinner ● SAE on Tilla-Bay Farms <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tillamook County Outdoor School Counselor ● Tillamook High School Charity Drive ● Act in kindness Project ● Played Varsity Soccer 	<p>Degree: State</p> <p>FFA Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NW District Leadership Camp ● State Exec. Meeting ● District Rituals ● Showed Dairy Cattle at Tillamook County Fair ● Showed and Sold Market Lamb at Tillamook County Fair ● Alumni Dinner and Silent Auction ● Jeep Jamboree ● Middle School FFA Recruitment/Presentation ● SAE on Tilla-Bay Farms <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Varsity Soccer Captain -First Team All League ● Coached 4th and 5th grade girls soccer team