

# 2018 NORTH DAKOTA FFA STATE CONVENTION



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## State FFA Degree Recipients (158)

*Each recipient receives the Golden Charm and Certificate*

Chantel Kessel, Belfield  
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Brayden Obritsch, Belfield  
Kinsey Schepp, Berthold  
Nathaniel Barron, Beulah  
Tyler Erickson, Beulah  
Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah  
Michael Schmidt, Beulah  
Jacob Weigel, Beulah  
Dillon Eagon, Bowman County  
Michaela Fischer, Bowman County  
Beau Jeffers, Bowman County  
Tasha Pond, Bowman County  
Jill Endres, Carrington  
Justin Lee, Carrington  
Sean Nichols, Carrington  
Abigail Hintz, Center  
Mykaela Jacobson, Center  
Mya Knecht, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Emily Tranby, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Ben Van Berkomp, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Cameron Bitz, Edgeley/Kulm  
Olivia Buckeye, Edgeley/Kulm  
Tallie Hanson, Edgeley/Kulm  
Taylor Mathern, Edgeley/Kulm  
McKaden Musland, Edgeley/Kulm  
Hayden Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Dacotah Bergstrom, Finley/Sharon  
Emily Hoffman, Finley/Sharon  
Max Stromsodt, Finley/Sharon  
Jacy Hauge, Flasher  
Lane Saylor, Garrison  
Kelsey Stumvoll, Garrison  
Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
Cassidy Zook, Garrison  
Samuel Dart, Grant County  
Kurt Muggli, Grant County  
Bryce Mutschelknaus, Grant County  
Parker Alexander, Harvey  
Haylea Ammon, Harvey  
Jarett Anderson, Harvey  
John Beck, Harvey  
Cassie Faul, Harvey  
Kevin Friedt, Harvey  
Tatiana Marie Friese, Harvey  
Rylee Heil, Harvey  
Joshua Mertz, Harvey  
Morgan Pedersen, Harvey  
Hunter Ripplinger, Harvey  
Cory Schmaltz, Harvey  
Brad Schmitz, Harvey  
Annika Towe, Harvey  
Morgan Krizan, Hebron  
Kiana Schatz, Hebron  
Ryan Woroniecki, Hebron  
Shaye Koester, Kidder County  
Garret Krein, Kidder County  
Danielle Benz, Killdeer  
Liam McFadden, Killdeer  
Alex Sadowsky, Killdeer  
Dawson Schmeling, Killdeer  
Rachel Voigt, Killdeer  
Zach Kvamme, Kindred  
Brianna Maddock, Kindred  
Lakota Mollohan, Kindred  
Ben Saewert, Kindred  
Tate Benson, Maddock A.S. Gibbens  
Braydon Follman, Maddock A.S. Gibbens  
Keringten Lee, Maddock A.S. Gibbens  
Kyler Westad, Maddock A.S. Gibbens  
Carlee Gifford, Mandan  
Charles Mize, Mandan  
Hannah Peterson, Mandan  
Kathryn Slavick, Mandan  
Allison Smith, Mandan  
Hope Smith, Mandan  
Nathan Hauf, Max  
Braden Janz, Max  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Shelby Faul, McClusky  
Carson Houser, McClusky  
Lucas Rath, McClusky  
Kalie Gudmestad, Medina  
Maddie Kleven, Medina  
Cody Mack, Medina  
Jacob Scheresky, Minot  
Sierra Shaw, Minot  
Pacey Feist, Napoleon  
Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Teresa Wald, Napoleon  
Drew Weigel, Napoleon  
Savanna Horst, New Salem  
Connor Kaelberer, New Salem  
Brianna Letzring, New Salelm  
Dreyton Rud, New Salem  
Jess Sanders, New Salem  
Vincent Carruth, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Sean Hermes, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Nathan Peterson, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Caleb Boehm, Richland 44  
John Haverland, Richland 44  
Mikayla Lacher, Richland 44  
Abigail Martel, Richland 44  
Aaron Meyer, Richland 44  
Michael Kurti, Rolla  
Billie Lentz, Rolla  
Evan Mickelson, Rolla  
Dustin Atkinson, Rugby  
Jacquelyn Blessum, Rugby  
Alex Hoffert, Rugby  
Kaden Jaeger, Rugby  
Tristin Lunde, Rugby  
Shawn Schaan, Rugby  
Christine Vetsch, Rugby  
Alissa Volk, Rugby  
Callie Anderson, Scranton  
Elizabeth Bartholmy, Scranton  
Molly Holt, Scranton  
Natasha Baranko, South Heart  
Kyle Kostelecky, South Heart  
Miranda Ness, South Prairie  
Jessica Peterson, South Prairie  
Chase Huelle, Stanley  
Alex Holmen, Tioga  
Leah Schmidt, Tioga  
Peyton Skabo, Tioga  
Katie Cargo, Towner  
Charlynn Klebe, Towner  
Aaron Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Aaron Dean, Velsa  
Olivia Effertz, Velsa  
Greta Florence, Velsa  
Jon Thomas, Velsa  
Hunter Berg, Wahpeton  
Riley Breuer, Wahpeton  
Aaron Deike, Wahpeton  
Chase Hibel, Wahpeton  
Blake Koppang, Wahpeton  
Alexander Krause, Wahpeton  
Landen Link-Nordick, Wahpeton  
Austin Torrance, Wahpeton  
Hannah Chrest, Washburn  
Dakota Harrison, Washburn  
Emily Scheresky, Washburn  
Taylor Bergquist, Wilton  
Chase Bader, Wishek  
Alexander Ruff, Wishek  
Madeline Schauer, Wishek  
Cassidy Walth, Wishek  
Connor Barton, Wyndmere  
Evan Braaten, Wyndmere  
Hunter Churchill, Wyndmere  
Nathan Hetland, Wyndmere  
Mason Kinn, Wyndmere  
Jolene Kuchera, Wyndmere  
Anne Manstrom, Wyndmere  
Kolten Mellem, Wyndmere  
Claire Moffet, Wyndmere

## **STATE STARS OF AGRI-BUSINESS FINALISTS**

Kevin Friedt, Harvey  
Billie Lentz, Rolla  
Rachel Voigt, Killdeer

The 2018 North Dakota Star of Agri-business is Kevin Friedt of the Harvey FFA Chapter.

## **STATE STAR FARMER FINALISTS**

Hayden Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Kurt Muggli, Grant County  
Hope Scheresky, Max

The 2018 State Star Farmer is kurt Muggli of the Grant County FFA Chapter.

## **AREA AGRICULTURAL PLACEMENT**

Cory Schmaltz, Harvey  
Alexander Ruff, Wishek  
Ben Saewert, Kindred  
Ryan Woroniecki, Hebron

The 2018 State Star in Agricultural Placement is Cory Schmaltz of the Harvey FFA Chapter.

## **AREA AGRI-SCIENCE**

Caleb Boehm, Richland 44  
Abigail Hintz, Center  
Mykaela Jacobson, Center  
Brianna Maddock, Kindred

The 2018 State Star of Agri-Science of Brianna Maddock of the Kindred FFA Chapter.

## HONORARY FFA STATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS (11)

Debra Hatlewick  
Glen Wienmann  
Walter Haberman  
Phillip Volk  
Preston Gilderhus  
Patrick Brandt

Robert Maddock  
Gregory Lardy  
David Buchanan  
Brandon Quam  
Julie Garden-Robinson

## AMERICAN FFA DEGREE NOMINEES (51)

Candace Nysted, Carrington  
Paige Beckman, Center  
Shawn Heilman, Center  
Brandon Windhorst, Center  
Shayla Sauer, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Renee Snyder, Des Lacs/Burlington  
LeAnne Van Berkomp, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Brinley Mathern, Edgeley/Kulm  
Jacob Gartner, Glen Ullin  
Lane Bachmeier, Granville  
Tristan McMahon, Granville  
McKenzie Lutt, Harvey  
Carson Woroniecki, Hebron  
Brandon Hoyme, Kindred  
Emma Maddock, Kindred  
Jonathan Fuqua, Larimore  
Hallie Burghart, Mandan  
Hannah Gress, Mandan  
Kristine Hopfauf, Mandan  
Cheyanne Klein, Mandan  
Bryce Peters, Mandan  
Dylan Finken, Max  
Calvin Tomlinson, Max  
Kody Faul, McClusky  
Levi Larson, McClusky  
Bree Obergfell, Minot

Andrew Wherley, Mohall  
Brittany Roney, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Antonio Malnourie, Parshall  
Tannis Anderson, Richland 44  
Chris Blegen, Richland 44  
Cody Blegen, Richland 44  
Brandon Lacher, Richland 44  
Jessica Thiel, Richland 44  
Elizabeth Blessum, Rugby  
Allison Heilman, Rugby  
McKenzie Johnson, Rugby  
Sierra Jundt, Rugby  
Josh Pfeifer, Rugby  
Madie Schmaltz, Rugby  
Devin Volk, Rugby  
Caden Tuhy, South Heart  
Marissa Tuhy, South Heart  
Melaree Sondrol, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Madison Bodine, Veva  
Michael McCall, Wahpeton  
Katherine Sundseth, Wahpeton  
Hunter Kamrtah, Washburn  
Hunter Pinke, Wishek  
Julianna Wolff, Wishek  
Jordyn Hetland, Wyndmere

### APPRECIATION AWARD

Duane Schmidt, Beulah  
Wade Anderson, Harvey

### BLUE & GOLD AWARD

Beth Bakke-Stenehjem, Former ND FFA Foundation Executive Director

## **State Proficiency Finalists & Winners**

### ***Agricultural Communications***

Halie Schmaltz, Rugby

### ***Agricultural Education***

Hope Scheresky, Max  
Cassidee Calhoun, Garrison  
Abigail Martel, Richland 44  
Emily Sears, Maddock

Winner of the first place award is **Hope Scheresky of the Max** FFA Chapter.

### ***Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication***

Nathan Ball, Minot  
Chase Peebles, Munich  
Sarah Senechal, Velva  
Ridge Walker, Harvey

Winner of the first place award is **Sarah Senechal of the Velva** FFA Chapter.

### ***Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance~Entrepreneurship***

Dalton Dockter, Medina  
Hunter Radomski, Rugby  
Austin Torrance, Wahpeton

Winner of the first place award is **Dalton Dockter of the Medina** FFA Chapter.

### ***Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance~Placement***

Cody Weninger, Carrington  
Alex Leingang, New Salem  
Donald Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Justin Nelson, Wahpeton

Winner of the first place award is **Cody Weninger** of the **Carrington** FFA Chapter.

### ***Agricultural Processing***

Isaac Preble, Harvey  
Carlee Gifford, Mandan  
Axel McKinven, Harvey  
Mariah McLaughlin, Beulah

Winner of the first place award is **Carlee Gifford of the Mandan FFA Chapter**.

### ***Agricultural Sales-Entrepreneurship***

Tyler Long, Napoleon

Winner of the first place award is **Tyler Long of the Napoleon FFA Chapter**.

### ***Agricultural Sales-Placement***

Alexander Ruff, Wishek  
Emily Scheresky, Washburn  
Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
Cassidy Zook, Garrison



Winner of the first place award is Alex Ruff of the Wishek FFA Chapter.

*Agricultural Services*

Michael Kraft, Munich  
Alexander Krause, Wahpeton  
Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah  
Mason Winkler, Beulah

Winner of the first place award is Alexander Krause of the Wahpeton FFA Chapter.

*Agriscience Research-Animal Systems*

Teegan Henke, Center  
Mykaela Jacobson, Center  
Abbigale Steeke, Scranton

Winner of the first place award is Abbigale Steeke of the Scranton FFA Chapter.

*Agriscience Research-Plant Systems*

Caleb Boehm, Richland 44

Winner of the first place award is Caleb Boehm of the Richland 44 FFA Chapter.

*Agriscience Research-Integrated Systems*

Teanna Hintz, Center  
Abbigale Steeke, Scranton

*Beef Production-Entrepreneurship*

Chase Bader, Wishek  
Iris Dukart, Killdeer  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Cierra Dockter, Medina

Winner of the first place award is Cierra Dockter of the Medina FFA Chapter.

*Beef Production-Placement*

Aaron Dean, Velva  
Justin Lee, Carrington  
Shelby Meckle, Center  
Ryan Woroniecki, Hebron

Winner of the first place award is Ryan Woroniecki of the Hebron FFA Chapter.

*Dairy Production-Entrepreneurship*

Jennifer Becker, New Salem

*Dairy Production-Placement*

Ivy Klusmann, New Salem  
Fayth Hoger, New Salem

Winner of the first place award is Ivy Klusmann of the New Salem FFA Chapter.

***Diversified Agriculture Production***

Alex Abrahamson, Rolla  
Brady Kallenbach, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Cole Ketterling, Wishek  
Abbigale Steeke, Scranton

Winner of the first place award is **Cole Ketterling of the Wishek** FFA Chapter.

***Diversified Crop Production-Entrepreneurship***

Brandon Hoyme, Kindred  
Aaron Johnson, Garrison  
Kurt Muggli, Grant County

Winner of the first place award is **Kurt Muggli of the Grant County** FFA Chapter

***Diversified Crop Production-Placement***

Nathan Hauf, Max  
Tyler Hoggarth, Carrington  
Ben Saewert, Kindred  
Brandon Windhorst, Center

Winner of the first place award is **Brandon Windhorst of the Center** FFA Chapter.

***Diversified Horticulture***

Skyla Folden, Garrinson  
Jacob Weigel, Beulah

Winner of the first place award is **Jacob Weigel of the Beulah** FFA Chapter.

***Diversified Livestock Production***

Robert Fitterer, Beulah  
Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Carlee Moser, Medina  
Abbigale Steeke, Scranton

Winner of the first place award is **Jacob Leier of the Napoleon** FFA Chapter.

***Equine Science-Entrepreneurship***

Paige Gefroh, Medina  
Shelby Schenfisch, Garrison  
Jaeden Thompson, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Teresa Wald, Napoleon

Winner of the first place award is **Paige Gefroh of the Medina** FFA Chapter.

***Equine Science-Placement***

Morgan Henke, New Salem  
Amanda Huber, Center

Winner of the first place award is **Amanda Huber of the Center** FFA Chapter.

***Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production***

Clay Bendickson, Garrison  
Isaac Gross, Napoleon  
Riley Mautz, Garrison

Winner of the first place award is **Clay Bendickson of the Garrison** FFA Chapter.

***Forage Production***

Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Gunnar Hagen, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Hayden Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Dalton Dockter, Medina

Winner of the first place award is ***Hayden Beck of the Fessenden/Bowdon*** FFA Chapter.

***Fruit Production***

Christina Bingham, Max  
Sean Nichols, Carrington  
Leah Slag, New Salem  
Cory Schmaltz, Harvey

Winner of the first place award is ***Sean Nichols of the Carrington*** FFA Chapter.

***Goat Production***

Kaitlyn Bartholmy, Scranton  
Samantha Johnson, New Salem  
Brooke Kunz, New Salem  
Aidan McMahon, Granville

Winner of the first place award is ***Kaitlyn Bartholmy of the Scranton*** FFA Chapter.

***Grain Production-Entrepreneurship***

Ryan Muggli, Grant County

Winner of the first place award is ***Ryan Muggli of the Grant County*** FFA Chapter.

***Grain Production-Placement***

Sean Hermes, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Chase Pederson, Carrington  
Connor Fike, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Cory Schmaltz, Harvey

Winner of the first place award is ***Chase Pederson of the Carrington*** FFA Chapter

***Home and/or Community Development***

Caleb Boehm, Richland 44  
Morgan Krizan, Hebron  
Tyler Larson, Harvey  
Billie Lentz, Rolla

Winner of the first place award is ***Billie Lentz of the Rolla*** FFA Chapter

***Landscape Management***

Caleb Boehm, Richland 44

***Outdoor Recreation***

Alexis Betz, Garrison  
Cassie Faul, Harvey  
Chase Hibl, Wahpeton

Winner of the first place award is ***Chase Hibl of the Wahpeton*** FFA Chapter.

### ***Poultry Production***

Taylor Foss, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Kalie Gudmestad, Medina  
Mikayla Lacher, Richland 44  
Hannah Nehl, New Salem

Winner of the first place award is **Mikayla Lacher of the Richland 44** FFA Chapter.

### ***Sheep Production***

Allison Cross, Granville  
Chayla Kuss, Carrington  
Rebecca Schmidt, Center  
Paige Beckman, Center

Winner of the first place award is **Paige Beckman of the Center** FFA Chapter.

### ***Small Animal Production and Care***

Brianna Letzring, New Salem  
Cody Schlegel, Carrington

Winner of the first place award is **Cody Schlegel of the Carrington** FFA Chapter.

### ***Specialty Animal Production***

Kaitlyn Bartholmy, Scrnaton  
Mikayla Lacher, Richland 44

### ***Specialty Crop Production***

Landen Link-Nordick, Wahpeton

Winner of the first place award is **Landen Link-Nordick of the Wahpeton FFA Chapter**

### ***Swine Production-Entrepreneurship***

Aubrey Bornemann, New Salem  
Carlee Moser, Medina

Winner of the first place award is **Aubrey Bornemann of the New Salem** FFA Chapter.

### ***Turf Grass Management***

Kevin Friedt, Harvey  
Sean Gierke, Beulah  
Nathan Ball, Minot  
Bryce Mutschelknaus, Grant County

Winner of the first place award is **Sean Gierke, Beulah** FFA Chapter.

### ***Vegetable Production***

Billie Lentz, Rolla  
Alexa Young, Napoleon  
Christina Bingham, Max  
Nathan Ball, Minot

Winner of the first place award is **Christina Bingham of the Max** FFA Chapter.

## ***BASIC AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS***

46 FFA members participated in the 2018 Basic Agricultural Mechanics CDE. The top 11 gold award winners receive a 3/8" electric drill sponsored by **Titan Machinery**. Leatherman tools are awarded to the top two individuals, which are sponsored by **ACME Electric Tool Crib**. **North Dakota State Fair Association** also sponsors Basic Ag Mechanics.

### **Gold (11)**

\*Kordell Kraft, Rugby  
Connor Blessum, Minot  
Gage Yellowbird, Max  
Aaron Ripplinger, Beulah  
Roman Steffan, Lakota  
Dawson Erber, Washburn  
Stetson Urlacher, New England  
Alex Huber, Edgeley/Kulm  
Isaiah Throener, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Cole Felchle, McClusky  
Ethan Witt

### **Silver (11)**

Adam Wolff, Wishek  
Ethan Arnold, Harvey  
Bryce Selzler, Velva  
Billy VanEpps, Medina  
Jaxon Fike, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Kristoph Vandemark, Mohall  
Hayes Kracht, North Sargent  
Teddy Gaebe, Bowman County  
Reed Wendel, LaMoure  
Shianne Boehm, Mandan  
Kaden Schauer, Hettinger

### **Bronze (14)**

Nathan Unruh, Dickinson  
Jarrett Kessel, Belfield  
Sam Arndt, Lidgerwood  
Layton Woodbury, Flasher  
Paul Hanebutt, New Salem  
Bradley Medlang, Bottineau  
Cantrel Peterson, Wilton  
Tyler Moos, Napoleon  
Hunter Keller, Hazen  
Chayce Borchardt,  
Drake/Anamoose  
Taylor Johnson, Garrison  
Jon Anderson, Enderlin  
Ian Lacina, Carrington  
Samuel Huether, Mott/Regent

\* High Individual receives the Traveling Trophy, a \$100 Scholarship, and a Baby Bison Trophy.

## ***INTERMEDIATE AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS***

48 FFA members participated in the 2018 Intermediate Agricultural Mechanics CDE. All gold award winners received a jig saw sponsored by **CHS Foundation** and Leatherman tools for the top two individuals sponsored by **ACME Electric Tool Crib**. **Our state sponsors are CHS Foundation; ACME Electric Tool Crib; Vaughn, Dorinda & Vance Zacharias.**

### **Gold (6)**

\*Cory Schmaltz, Rugby  
Joseph Throener, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Bridger Mathern, Edgeley/Kulm  
Tyler Lee, Carrington  
Emily Dinius, New England  
Ty Buchholz, Wishek

### **Silver (10)**

McCormick Thompson, Bottineau  
Aaron Johnson, Garrison  
Hunter Schuh, Harvey  
Grayson Pease, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Jarrel McGarvey, Leeds  
Annika Christensen, Kenmare  
Cole Janz, Velva  
Morgan Johansen, Max  
Lane McCleary, Enderlin  
Levi Opdahl, Fessenden/Bowdon

### **Bronze (12)**

Teagan Mackowiak, Minot  
Reid Mickelson, Rolla  
Ean Larsen, Killdeer  
Cade Korslien, South Prairie  
Brady Carlson, Lisbon  
Bryton Werth, McClusky  
Kianna Kraft, Wilton  
Hunter Truedson, Hazen

\*High Individual receives a \$100 Scholarship, a Baby Bison Trophy and the Traveling Trophy.

## **ADVANCED AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS**

40 FFA teams participated in the 2018 Advanced Agricultural Mechanics Team CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is the **Grant County** FFA Chapter. The Advisor is Ben Krebs. Members of the top team also received a tool set .

### **TEAM**

<b><u>Gold (6)</u></b>			<b><u>Silver (7)</u></b>		<b><u>Bronze (8)</u></b>
*Grant County	Rugby	Lisbon	Oakes/Sargent Central	Napoleon	South Prairie
New England	Minot	Harvey	Edgeley/Kulm	Bismarck	South Heart
Kidder County	Garrison	McClusky	Belfield	Lakota	Flasher
		Carrington		Beulah	Medina

### **INDIVIDUAL**

115 FFA members participated in the 2018 Advanced Agricultural Mechanics Individual CDE. The top 12 gold award individual winners receive a socket set. \*High Individual receives a \$100 Scholarship & a Baby Bison Trophy.

<b><u>Gold (24)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (29)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (36)</u></b>
*Levi Schwab, Lisbon	Sean Nichols, Carrington	Isaac Volk, Rugby
Devin Wert, New England	Brian Friedt, Harvey	Kyle Leapaltd, Carrington
Ryan Muggli, Grant County	Tyler Erickson, Beulah	Toby Wolf, Belfield
Kurt Muggli, Grant County	Chase Bader, Wishek	Phillip Steffan, Lakota
Garret Krein, Kidder County	Kyle Kostelecky, South Heart	Chance Porsborg, Bismarck
Riley Mautz, Garrison	Chris Bingham, Max	Tyrel Clarys, Mandan
Hayden Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon	Isaac Gross, Napoleon	Brandan Utke, Enderlin
Justin Lee, Carrington	Tyler Kahl, Belfield	Braden Janz, Max
Jeff Laib, McClusky	Cody Mack, Medina	Jaden Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer
Lucas Nitschke, Edgeley/Kulm	Vincent Carruth, Oakes/Sargent Central	Jackson Lindbo, South Prairie
Zach Bear, Lisbon	Gavin Reinke, Lisbon	Tristin Howard, Lisbon
Max Muggli, Oakes/Sargent Central	Sam Dart, Grant County	Isak Olson, Beulah
Eve Stegner, New England	Erich Scheffert, Oakes/Sargent Central	Julian Kalamaha, South Prairie
Anton Krebs, Belfield	Tyler Long, Napoleon	Nash Hastings, Nedrose
Jacob Haugen, Des Lacs/Burlington	Jacob Strobel, McClusky	Laredo Werner, Flasher
Ben Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Braden Knudtson, Harvey	Jayson Knight, Kidder County
Beau Jeffers, Bowman County	Jacob Leier, Napoleon	Rhett Hanson, Stanley
Evan Friesz, Grant County	Jacob Scheresky, Minot	Caydon Petri, New England
Adam Gorseth, Carrington	Tyler Barth, Kidder County	Hunter Frederick, Flasher
Cody Worrell, Enderlin	Odin Nelson, Minot	Michael Wall, Lakota
Gabe Clements, Rugby	Brayden Ziegler, Bismarck	Dawson Ness, South Prairie
Nathan Peterson, Oakes/Sargent Central	Alex Hoffert, Rugby	Kevin Friedt, Harvey
Trey Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Cade Majeres, Garrison	Cole McCommon, Wing
Nathan Ball, Minot	Dakota Bray, New England	Sierra Shaw, Minot
	Nick Richter, McClusky	Preston Martin, Medina
	Jaxon Deckert, Kidder County	Tyler Marschke, Enderlin
	Cameron Bitz, Edgeley/Kulm	Lane Saylor, Garrison
	Troy Betz, Garrison	Teddy Mayer, Mott/Regent
	John Rath, Bismarck	Brody Skaar, Stanley
		Cody Malaterre, St. John
		Cole Matejcek, Lakota
		Dillon Eagon, Bowman County
		Nickolas Backman, Wilton
		Jaeden McCleary, Enderlin
		Dalton Mobert, Mohall
		Jacob Gates, Mohall

## ***AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS SWEEPSTAKES***

15 FFA teams made up of individuals participated in the 2018 Agricultural Communications Team CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is the **Rugby** FFA Chapter.

### **Gold (5)**

\*Rugby  
New England  
Oakes/Sargent Central  
Edgeley/Kulm  
Minot

### **Silver (4)**

Harvey  
McClusky  
Garrison  
Carrington

### **Bronze (6)**

Medina  
Lisbon  
Enderlin  
Mandan  
South Prairie  
Wilton

## ***AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS***

7 FFA teams made up of individuals participated in the 2018 Agricultural Communications Team CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is the **Richland 44** FFA Chapter.

### **Gold (2)**

\*Richland 44  
Harvey

### **TEAM**

### **Silver(3)**

Wishek  
Tioga  
Kenmare

### **Bronze(2)**

Edgeley/Kulm  
Mandan

### **INDIVIDUAL**

### **Gold (10)**

\*Mikayla Lacher, Richland 44, News Writers  
\*Caleb Boehm, Richland 44, Op Ed  
\*Andrea Buechler, Harvey, Web Design  
\*John Haverland, Richland 44, Video  
Callie Anderson, Scranton  
Dixie Posey, Harvey  
Cassidy Walth, Wishek  
Abigail Martel, Richland 44  
Joshua Seibel, Harvey  
McKaden Musland, Edgeley/Kulm

### **Silver (13)**

Emmy Syverson, Edgeley/Kulm  
Emma Condit, Kenmare  
Alex Ruff, Wishek  
Cassie Faul, Harvey  
Abigayle Johnson, Mandan  
Abigail Deile, Wishek  
Brooke Loen, Harvey  
Mikayla Wolfe, Tioga  
Charlie Mize, Mandan  
Abi Sulzman, Scranton  
Leah Schmidt, Tioga  
Madeline Schauer, Wishek  
Cameron Taylor, Tioga

### **Bronze (10)**

Peyton Skabo, Tioga  
Claire Graner, Mandan  
Seth Wolf, Wishek  
Shelby Brekhus, Kenmare  
Emma Leppert, Edgeley/Kulm  
Chloe Carr, Tioga  
Bella Roering, Kenmare  
Taylor Mather, Edgeley/Kulm  
Kylee St. Croix, Kenmare  
Emma Dirk, Mandan

# AGRI-SCIENCE Fair

Individuals participated in the Agri Science CDE.

## Plant Systems Division I

Silver(1)

\*Lindsey Vachal, Tioga

## Plant Systems Division III

Gold(2)

\*Kiersten Boehm, Richland 44  
Allison Roth, Kidder County

Silver(1)

KariAnn Hammons, Center

## Plant Systems Division IV

Gold(4)

\*Reagan Hildre and Dazey Sevland, Velva  
Laurae Beaudrie and Jade Lohnes, Velva

## Plant Systems Division V

Gold(1)

\*Caleb Boehm, Richland 44

## Animal Systems Division II

Gold (2)

\*Lillian Steeke and Maddy Wilson, Scranton

## Animal Systems Division III

Silver(2)

Avery Roth, Grant County  
Emilee Weigel, Center

Bronze(1)

Teanna Hintz, Center

Gold(2)

\*Christy Finck, Grant County  
Sierra Strenge Wyndmere

## Animal Systems Division V

Gold(1)

\*Abbigale Steeke, Scranton  
Britany Freund, Lakota

## Animal Systems Division VI

Silver(1)

\*Hope Smith and Sierra Ellingson, Mandan

## Food Science Division I

Gold(1)

\*Kylee Greuel, Kindred

## Food Science Division II

Gold(2)

\*Jack Stoppeworth and Trey Heinrich, Kindred

Silver(2)

Alexis Herrera and Cassandra Galvan, Grafton

## Food Science Division IV

Gold(2)

\*Sadie Dinwiddie and Hailey Wright, Velva

## Food Science Division VI

Gold(2)

\*Anna Stoppeworth and Elizabeth Saewert, Kidnred



**Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division II**

Silver (2)

\*Levi McLain and Jacob Undlin, Mohall

**Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division III**

Gold (1)

\*Reid Mickelson, Rolla

**Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division IV**

Gold (2)

\*Grace Mogen and Chloe Bourdeau, Velva

**Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division V**

Gold (1)

\*Evan Mickelson, Rolla

**Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division VI**

Gold (2)

\*Emma Mitchell and Michael Kurtti, Rolla

**Environmental and Natural Resources Division III**

Bronze(1)

\*Sabrina Dunlop, Rolla

**Social Systems Division III**

Gold(2)

\*Shelby Meckle, Center  
Sara Kurtti, Rolla

**Social Systems Division V**

Gold(2)

\*Christina Bingham, Max  
Karena Verbitsky, South Prairie

Silver (2)

Billie Lentz, Rolla  
Teegan Henke, Center

**Social Systems IV**

Gold(2)

\*Emma Howe and Bailee Williams, Velva

\*Indicates participants whose applications are qualified for Nationals

## **STATE FFA CHORUS**

Dawson Neshem, Berthold  
Cameron Bitz, Edgeley/Kulm  
Alexis Bachler, Glen Ullin  
Megan Goldade, Glen burn  
Hannah Anderson, Grafton  
Trinadee White, Hebron  
Faith Norby, Killdeer  
Rose Wendel, LaMoure  
Macy Engstrom, Leeds  
Zoe Lauckner, Leeds  
Madi Dulmage, Leeds  
Shelby Follman, Leeds  
Hailey Maddock, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Keely Arnston, Maddock AS Gibbens  
McKenna Tollerud, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Quinn Nepl, Maddock AS Gibbens

Andrea Arnold, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Charity Dosch, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Ashlyn Williams, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Isabelle Sundy, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Wyatt Hakanson, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Logan Reister, Medina  
Katarina Messmer, Mott/Regent  
Madee Eikamp, Mott/Regent  
Shaun Goeser, Munich  
Sophie Ketterling, Napoleon  
Emma Ketterling, Napoleon  
Mara Bornemann, New Salem  
Jaret Lennie, New Salem  
Anissah Carlblom, North Sargent  
Pacey Grosgebauer, North Sargent  
Larissa Klitzke, Powers Lake

Kylar Walter, Ray  
Elizabeth Holzkamm, Scranton  
Ebony Musanda, Scranton  
Levi Miller, Scranton  
Elizabeth Bartholmy, Scranton  
Kaitlyn Bartholmy, Scranton  
Irish Morris, Scranton  
Dakotah Harlson, Scranton  
Paige Jung, South Heart  
Gabby Kaufman, Watford City  
Jazmin Cordero-Solis,  
Westhope/Newburg  
Lissandra Suarez, Wyndmere  
Ashlie Mauch, Wyndmere  
Emma Nelson, Wyndmere  
Daisy Remmick, Wyndmere

## **STATE FFA COURTESY CORPS**

The three individuals selected to represent North Dakota on the National Courtesy Corp are: **Shanaye Picard of the Bottineau FFA Chapter, Phyllis McFarlen of the Wilton FFA Chapter and Morgyn Miller of the Wilton FFA Chapter.**

### **Gold (11)**

\*Shanaye Picard, Bottineau  
\*Phyllis McFarlen, Wilton  
\*Morgyn Miller, Witon  
Carlie Milang, Bottineau  
Chase McCone, Hebron  
Kevin Fischer, Bowman County  
Agatha Benedicto, Dickinson  
Hannah Henke, New Salem  
Cooper Hill, Grafton  
Kara Levorsen, Grant County  
Cassie Pierson, Grant County

### **Silver (13)**

Hailey Enney, Dickinson  
Agustin Obregon, Grafton  
Darryl Camcho, Grafton  
Travis Kunkel, New Salem  
Jada Reiser, Gackle/Streeter  
Cole Felchle, McClusky  
Matthew Mills, Powers Lake  
Tate Novodvorsky, South Prairie  
Annika Berg, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Kylee Greuel, Kindred  
Drew Simpson, Munich  
Tucker Erickson, Beulah  
Mia Gonzalez, Mott/Regent

### **Bronze (5)**

Josiah Havluk, South Heart  
Benjamin Lindbo, South Prairie  
Jearney Wyrach, Mott/Regent  
Alec Canady, Powers Lake  
Elise Foster, Berthold

## **STATE FFA CREED (15)**

\*High Individual receives a \$100 check and a Bison Trophy

### **Gold (5)**

\*Janae Weigel, Napoleon  
Bryce Grabanski, Kindred  
Cade Mauch, Wahpeton  
Alexa Ketterling, Wishek  
Kourtney Schaff, Flasher

### **Silver (7)**

Gage Yellowbird, Max  
Kevin Fischer, Bowman County  
Jacob Klautd, Beulah  
Logan Lapica, Stanley  
Jackson Rensch, Garrison  
Zoe McKinven, Havey  
Laura Muggli, Grant County

### **Bronze (3)**

Samantha Mills, Powers Lake  
Jake Doll, Finley/Sharon  
Madison Jones, Fessenden/Bowdon

## ***DAIRY CATTLE SELECTION***

24 teams and 69 individuals participated in the 2018 Dairy Cattle Selection. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is **New Salem** FFA Chapter. Their team coach is Mr. Shawn Feiring. High Team also receives a Traveling Trophy.

### **TEAM**

#### **Gold (3)**

\*New Salem  
Harvey  
Beulah

#### **Silver (4)**

Enderlin  
Medina  
Velva  
Towner

#### **Bronze (4)**

Killdeer  
Granville  
Lisbon  
Hebron

### **INDIVIDUAL**

#### **Gold(14)**

\*Samantha Johnson, New Salem  
Laurana Lynds, Enderlin  
Justin Johnson, New Salem  
Bethany Anderson, Harvey  
Ivy Klusmann, New Salem  
Ryan Bodine, Velva  
Calli Mack, Medina  
Mason Jones, Towner  
Jill Schlichting, Bismarck  
Reed Wendel, LaMoure  
Brooke Kunz, New Salem  
Fayth Hoger, New Salem  
Karlee Sailer, Beulah  
Kaylee Follman, Towner

#### **Silver(17)**

Brittney Schilling, Wishek  
Olivia Lault, Harvey  
Kelsey Vandeberghe, Medina  
Robert Fitterer, Beulah  
Sidney Anderson, Lisbon  
Jessica Kuchera, Wyndmere  
Caroline Bodine, Velva  
Ryder Thompson, Granville  
Lea Mittleider, Carrington  
Cassidy Strommen, Flasher  
Jacob Klautd, Beulah  
Kane Unruh, Hebron  
Madison Bartholomay, Enderlin  
Megan Thompson  
Nathan Sadowsky, Killdeer  
Kendra Myers, Lisbon  
Jared Lovro, Granville

#### **Bronze(21)**

Brett Harr, Kidder County  
Raelee Bartholomay, Enderlin  
Kacey Wanner, Hebron  
Jayden Whanger, Max  
Sierra Schaff, Hebron  
Bridgett Reiss, Killdeer  
Jack Manstrom, Wyndmere  
Billy VanEpps, Medina  
Gabe Lakoduk, Velva  
Savanna Bader, Wishek  
Taizalee Glass, Hebron  
Holden Grann, Rolla  
Steenaa Larsen, Killdeer  
Teresa Wald, Napoleon  
Cade McCloud, Rolla  
Lylla Grice, Harvey  
Jaylynn Hicks, Killdeer  
Nathan Gross, Napoleon  
Marissa Tiegen, Harvey  
Abby Helm, Medina  
Carson Houser, McClusky

## ***DAIRY CATTLE HANDLERS EVENT***

30 contestants in the 2018 Dairy Showmanship contest. The State Champion who will represent the North Dakota in the Dairy Showmanship Event is **Kayla Brew** of the **Killdeer** FFA Chapter.

#### **Gold (9)**

\* Kayla Brew, Killdeer  
Jacklyn Pazdernik, New Salem  
Brett Wendel, LaMoure  
Chayla Cuss, Carrington  
Aidan McMahan, Granville  
ShiAnne Boehm, Mandan  
Cheyanne Iglehardt, Velva  
Lanie Wohlk, Max  
Bradyn Lachenmeier, Kidder County

#### **Silver (10)**

Zac Dunlop, Rolla  
Sydney Kleingartner, Gackle/Streeter  
Emilie Filipek, Wilton  
Trevor Kershaw, Wing  
Caylee Wolth, Wishek  
Jacob Klein, Hazen  
Teagan Mackowiak, Minot  
Mariah Braasch, South Prairie  
Cole Turchin, Lisbon  
Elizabeth Bartholmy, Scranton

#### **Bronze (11)**

Mariah McLaughlin, Beulah  
Joseph Throener, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Benjamin Jauelfs, Medina  
Taylor Downing, South Heart  
Kaylee Obrigewitch, Belfield  
Kolin Westman, Garrison  
Cheyanne Boeddeker, Northern Cass  
Nathaniel Adams, Wyndmere  
Zack Nord, Enderlin  
Garin Opdahl, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Fletcher Hennessy, Berthold

## ***DEMONSTRATION CONTEST***

\*The winner will receive a \$100 scholarship, a Baby Bison Trophy and a traveling trophy.

#### **Gold (4)**

\* Jake Sanders, New Salem  
Calli Hennessy, Stanley  
Emily Dinius, New England  
Jayden MacDonald, Bismarck

#### **Silver (8)**

Leah Jahs and Logan Sieg, Harvey  
Chloe Meicher and Lanie Wohlk, Max  
Emma Howel and Rachel Mack, Velva  
Cale Robinson, Kindred  
Levi Opdahl, Fessenden/Bowdon

#### **Bronze (3)**

Gavin Leppert and Bridger Mathern, Edgeley/Kulm  
Madison Meyer, Grant County  
Sydney Kleingartner, Gackle/Streeter  
Ashlyn Williams and Isabelle Sandy, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Hunter Boll, Wahpeton  
Fletcher Hennessy, Berthold

## ***EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING EVENT***

14 individuals participated in the 2018 Extemporaneous Public Speaking Event. The State Champion who will represent North Dakota in the National Event is **Janae Weigel** of the **Napoleon** FFA Chapter. The winner receives a Baby Bison Trophy.

### **Gold (7)**

\*Janae Weigel, Napoleon  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Shiloh Schmid, Bismarck  
Tanner Thompson, Ray  
Emily Belland, Bowman County  
Brianna Maddock, Kindred  
Shaye Koester, Kidder County

### **Silver (3)**

Mikayla Lacher, Richland 44  
Sierra Shaw, Minot  
Rachel Voigt, Killdeer

### **Bronze (4)**

Jace Ruud, Stanley  
Lindsey English, Harvey  
Jacob Weigel, Beulah  
Tate Benson, Maddock AS Gibbens

## ***FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT EVENT***

34 teams and 121 individuals participated in the 2018 Farm Business Management CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota at the National event is the **Oakes/Sargent Central** FFA Chapter coached by **Dan Spellerberg**. \*High Individual receives a \$100 Scholarship and a Baby Bison Trophy.

### **Gold (6)**

\*Oakes/Sargent Central Carrington  
Wishek Harvey  
Kindred Max

### **TEAM**

### **Silver (6)**

New Salem Killdeer  
Grant County Napoleon  
Turtle Lake/Mercer Rugby

### **Bronze (8)**

Velva Bismarck  
Lakota Garrison  
Mandan Towner  
South Prairie Maddock AS Gibbens

### **Gold (24)**

\*Nick Mathias, Kindred  
Caleb Hauck, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Chase Bader, Wishek  
Cory Schmaltz, Harvey  
Adam Gorseth, Carrington  
Chris Bingham, Max  
Max Muggli, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Alex Ruff, Wishek  
Christina Greuel, Kindred  
Alexa Ketterling, Wishek  
Grace Schimke, Harvey  
Kyle Leopald, Carrington  
Sean Hermes, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Laura Muggli, Grant County  
Sean Nichols, Carrington  
Alexa Young, Napoleon  
Brooke Rossow, Kindred  
Axel McKinven, Harvey  
Cassie Faul, Harvey  
Samantha Johnson, New Salem  
Justin Lee, Carrington  
Jacie Osier, Kindred  
Morgan Pedersen, Harvey

### **INDIVIDUAL**

### **Silver (32)**

Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
Iris Dukart, Killdeer  
Vincent Carruth, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Erich Scheffert, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Phillip Steffan, Lakota  
Justin Johnson, New Salem  
Tyler Lee, Carrington  
Sierra Ellingson, Mandan  
Miranda Ness, South Prairie  
Faith Norby, Killdeer  
Rachel Voigt, Killdeer  
Alissa Volk, Rugby  
Logan Becker, New Salem  
Hunter Wolf, Wishek  
Gage Yellowbird, Max  
Ryleigh Laib, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Wyatt Hanson, Velva  
Ashley Muller, Wishek  
Grace Schmitt Towner  
Seth Berg, Mandan  
Aaron Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
John Rath, Bismarck  
Jayden MacDonald, Bismarck  
Elizabeth Holzkamm, Scranton  
Teresa Wald, Napoleon  
Madalynn Sauter, Grant County  
James Fisk, Lakota  
Jennifer Becker, New Salem  
Cody Jundt, Rugby  
Ben Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Jaden Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Aaron Dean, Velva

### **Bronze (36)**

Zach Kvamme, Kindred  
Brady Volk, Rugby  
Kutter Blumhagen, Velva  
Madison Meyer, Grant County  
Ryan Doe, Mott/Regent  
Tyler Long, Napoleon  
Brayden Ziegler, Bismarck  
Evan Follman, Leeds  
Troy Betz, Garrison  
Luke Newman, South Prairie  
Katie Cargo, Towner  
Jayden Whanger, Max  
Tate Benson, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Kaylee Follman, Towner  
Ethan Johnson, Napoleon  
Colton Bergemann, Lisbon  
Mack Buckmier, Hettinger  
Katie Woessner, Parshall  
Jonathan Haman, Lakota  
Jillian Strilcov, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Michael Thomas, Velva  
Corrie Dobitz, Killdeer  
Roman Steffan, Lakota  
Jacob Strobel, McClusky  
Kyle Kostecky, South Heart  
Declan Ritterman, Leeds  
Hannah Mueller, Hillsboro  
Jewelina Siegler, Wahpeton  
Marissa Jensen, Kenmare  
Ashley Bauer, Kenmare  
Nick Richter, McClusky  
Jeff Laib, McClusky  
Gannon Griffin, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Tucker Johnson, Berthold  
Cassandra Dornacker, Garrison  
Awnah Fox, Killdeer

## ***FLORICULTURE EVENT***

There were 54 teams and 182 individuals that participated in the 2018 Floriculture CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National FFA Floriculture Event is from the **Kindred** FFA Chapter. Their Advisors are **Mitchell Becker and Breanna Bregel**. \*High Individual **Brianna Maddock** of the **Kindred FFA** receives a \$100 scholarship and a Baby Bison.

### **TEAM**

<b><u>Gold (8)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (9)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (11)</u></b>
*Kindred	Medina	South Prairie
Harvey	Nedrose	Des Lacs/Burlington
Velva	Carrington	Rugby
New Salem	Kidder County	Hebron
	Wishek	Mandan
		Belfield
		Granville
		Mott/Regent
		Towner
		Mohall
		McClusky

### **INDIVIDUAL**

<b><u>Gold (38)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (55)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (56)</u></b>
*Brianna Maddock, Kindred	Kyla Larson, Northern Cass	Sadie Good, Rolla
Ben Saewert, Kindred	Ashley Muller, Wishek	Emily Reyes, Tioga
Grace Solemsaas, Mohall	Kayla Ehlis, New England	Lauren Haugen, Wyndmere
Katelyn Voeller, Harvey	Kaylee Beachler, Kidder County	Jaida Downs, Lidgerwood
Nick Mathias, Kindred	Beth Lee, Carrington	Olivia Seibold, Wahpeton
Matthew Voeller, Harvey	Jaidyn Brummond, Granville	McKynna Stenberg, South Prairie
Mindee Boyce, Nedrose	Leah Ehlis, New England	Addison Truesdell, Wahpeton
Grace Ransiear, Velva	Mackenzi Woodall, Granville	Darissa Becker, Napoleon
Amy Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Charmaine Haas, Napoleon	Sarah Selle, Wilton
Andrea Buechler, Harvey	Brenna Wert, New England	Emily Boehm, Turtle Lake/Mercer
Jill Endres, Carrington	Isabelle Sundby, Maddock AS Gibbens	Brianna Fike, Fessenden/Bowdon
Reggan Dolbeare, Minot	Ashlyn Williams, Maddock AS Gibbens	Jillian McDonald, Beulah
Brianna Letzring, New Salem	Kelli Gropper, Wishek	Grace Johnson, Northern Cass
Amber Van Epps, Medina	Quinn Mellmer, Scranton	Maddie Katzenmeyer, Lisbon
Rachel Mack, Velva	Race Jacobson, Divide County	Christine Mathias, North Sargent
Annika Towe, Harvey	Kinsey Schepp, Berthold	Michelle Witt, Hettinger
Jacob Weigel, Beulah	Kyra Schwartz, Des Lacs/Burlington	Nathan Gross, Napoleon
Hope Brewer, Velva	Sydnee Anderson, Mott/Regent	MacKenna Toyne, Lisbon
Allison Roth, Kidder County	Mikayla Schneider, Hebron	Alex Cook, Watford City
Greta Florence, Velva	Sophia Hauser, Hebron	Emma Buee, Des Lacs/Burlington
Grace Dinius, New England	Shelby Faul, McClusky	Baleigh Ripplinger, McClusky
Mara Bornemann, New Salem	Benjamin Poulsen, Nedrose	Avery Trittin, Lidgerwood
Tatiana Friese, Harvey	Kadence Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Samantha Serna, Grafton
Emma Leppert, Edgeley/Kulm	Kaylee Obrigewitch, Belfield	Reese Wetzstein, Mandan
Aubrey Bornemann, New Salem	Bryce Lemon, Nedrose	Emma Muggli, Oakes/Sargent Central
Alexa Ketterling, Wishek	Emily Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon	Hope Smith, Mandan
Karena Verbitsky, South Prairie	Brittney Reister, Medina	Dell Willoughby, Max
Michael Schmidt, Beulah	Jase Sailer, Beulah	Tatum Fitch, Hettinger
Rivers Bachman, Minot	Brooke Bailey, Towner	Hannah Anderson, Grafton
Emily Blocher, Minot	Skyla Folden, Garrison	Brooke Reister, Medina
Rylee Lee, Max	Madeline Schauer, Wishek	Jolee Mann, Des Lacs/Burlington
Megan Goldade, Glenburn	Abby Hickel, Ray	Jada Rolle, Hebron
Alisha Letzring, New Salem	Kassidy Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Milah Kibbel, Garrison
Rhea Laib, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Ebony Musonda, Scranton	Nate Adams, Wyndmere
MaKenna Binder, Kidder County	Abby Carlson, Medina	Cassie Devillers, Wahpeton
Sean Gierke, Beulah	Alyssa Ball, Des Lacs/Burlington	Auna Kubal, Carrington
Madeliene Nichols, Carrington	Cassidy Zook, Garrison	Mia Gonzalez, Mott/Regent
Chase Driscoll, Mohall	Payton Brandenburg, Edgeley/Kulm	Cassidy Greteman, Wahpeton
	Bailey Anderson, Edgeley/Kulm	Brittney Schilling, Wishek
	Christine Vetsch, Rugby	Liegha Johnson, Belfield
	Jolie Sanders, New Salem	Kyanna Halrastt, North Sargent
	Taylor Mathern, Edgeley/Kulm	Gracie Dahl, Watford City
	Nicole Neumiller, Fessenden/Bowdon	Emily Carlson, Medina
	Kathryn Slavick, Mandan	Claire Graner, Mandan
		Hannah Remington, South Prairie
		Riley Pister, Granville
		Megan Jerkovich, McClusky

Madison Bee, South Heart  
 Teigan Hankel, Max  
 Ryann Schock, Rugby  
 Madilyn Berg, South Prairie  
 Emma Dragseth, Towner  
 Emma Mahle, Rugby  
 Maci Wehri, Mott/Regent  
 Alison Betz, Garrison  
 Isabella Boedicker, Max

## **FOOD FOR AMERICA**

*State winner is the Center FFA Chapter*

\*Center

Rolla

Maddock AS Gibbens

## **FOOD SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

51 teams and 205 individuals participated in the Food Science CDE. The team that will represent North Dakota in the National FFA Food Science Event is the Napoleon FFA Chapter. Their advisor is Mr Brian Schneider. The High Individual is Lindsey English of the Harvey FFA Chapter \*High Individual receives a \$100 scholarship and a Baby Bison Trophy.

### TEAM

#### **Gold(8)**

\*Napoleon  
 Kindred  
 Wishek  
 Rugby

Harvey  
 Wyndmere  
 Fessenden/Bowdon  
 Velva

#### **Silver(9)**

Turtle Lake/Mercer  
 Medina  
 Bowman County  
 New Salem  
 Washburn

Garrison  
 Tioga  
 Richland 44  
 Center

#### **Bronze(13)**

Edgeley/Kulm  
 Mandan  
 Lisbon  
 Oakes/Sargent Central  
 Mott/Regent  
 New England  
 Grafton

Powers Lake  
 Northern Cass  
 Berthold  
 South Heart  
 Bottineau  
 McClusky

### INDIVIDUAL

#### **Gold (42)**

\*Lindsey English, Harvey  
 Kourtney Bitz, Napoleon  
 Alexa Young, Napoleon  
 Kylee Bitz, Napoleon  
 Claire Moffet, Wyndmere  
 Christine Greuel, Kindred  
 Brooke Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
 Elizabeth Saewert, Kindred  
 Christine Vetsch, Rugby  
 Anna Stopplesworth, Kindred  
 Eva Lahlum, LaMoure  
 MacKenna Arnold, Harvey  
 Janae Weigel, Napoleon  
 Alissa Volk, Rugby  
 Alexa Ketterling, Wishek  
 Nicole Neumiller, Fessenden/Bowdon  
 Dain Anderson, Richland 44  
 Madison Jones, Fessenden/Bowdon  
 Kristin Schaaf, Glen Ullin  
 Hope Smith, Mandan  
 Ashlei Stanczyk, Grant County  
 Emily Scheresky, Washburn  
 Sadie Good, Rolla  
 Chase Bader, Wishek  
 Gracie O'Brien, South Heart  
 Katelyn Duchscher, Rugby  
 Beau Jeffers, Bowman County

#### **Silver (51)**

Trever Grieger, Northern Cass  
 Anna Muggli, Flasher  
 Lexi Kulzer, Washburn  
 Olivia Effertz, Velva  
 Mikayla Wolfe, Tioga  
 Cooper Hill, Grafton  
 Dawson Erber, Washburn  
 Kaylee Beachler, Kidder County  
 Lilly Bina, Park River  
 Garin Opdahl, Fessenden/Bowdon  
 Savanna Bader, Wishek  
 Dillon Eagon, Bowman County  
 Evan Braaten, Wyndmere  
 Lucas Rath, McClusky  
 Kendyl Hoyer, New Salem  
 Cassidy Greteman, Wahpeton  
 Tessa Smith, Richland 44  
 Lilli French, Rugby  
 Mia Gonzalez, Mott/Regent  
 Alex Ruff, Wishek  
 Ben Heger, Garrison  
 Sadie Maruskie, Powers Lake  
 Alaina LaJesse, Wahpeton  
 Jett Foley, Richland 44  
 Gabe Lakoduk, Velva  
 Derek Resiter, Medina  
 Madison Olien, Kindred

#### **Bronze (52)**

Cheyenne Gillespie, Park River  
 Emilee Weigel, Center  
 Abigail Mehlhoff, Wing  
 Kyla Larson, Northern Cass  
 Madison Myers, Garrison  
 Selah Cowan, Powers Lake  
 Julia Quam, Wyndmere  
 Jon Twedt, Kindred  
 Maddie Iverson, Oakes/Sargent Central  
 Michaela Fischer, Bowman County  
 Cheyenne Boeddeker, Northern Cass  
 Chloe Carr, Tioga  
 Peyton Skabo, Tioga  
 Leah Schmidt, Tioga  
 Steph Bingham, Max  
 Teegan Henke, Center  
 Calli Mack, Medina  
 Hadley Thompson, Bottineau  
 Kylie Hildre, Velva  
 Samantha Ferch, LaMoure  
 Savana Reinbold, Hebron  
 Sandra Kjelland, Park River  
 Chanci Kraft, Flasher  
 Grace Mogen, Velva  
 Lanie Wohlk, Max  
 Tyler Zahn, Edgeley/Kulm  
 Madison Bebee, South Heart

Cauy Ellingson, Edgeley/Kulm  
Aubrey Lemer, Berthold  
Bryson Haman, Velva  
Amy Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Kelsey Stumvoll, Garrison  
Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
Seth Wolf, Wishek  
Trevor Rafteseth, Grant County  
Annika Towe, Harvey  
Emily Morman, New Salem  
Ryan Doe, Mott/Regent  
Kathryn Slavick, Mandan  
Garrett Kuhn, Glen Ullin  
Veronica Schwartzenberger, Napoleon  
Hannah Chrest, Washburn

Stetson Urlacher, New England  
Cassandra Dornacker, Garrison  
Carlee Moser, Medina  
Jaydon Haverluk, South Heart  
Zachary Even, Wyndmere  
Logan Sieg, Harvey  
Avarie Carlson, Edgeley/Kulm  
Harley Clemensen, Parshall  
Jolie Sanders, New Salem  
Emily Belland, Bowman County  
MacKenna Toyne, Lisbon  
Emma Muggli, Oakes/Sargent Central  
McKaden Musland, Edgeley/Kulm  
Molly Holt, Scranton  
Kalie Gudmestad, Medina  
Hanna Grubb, Powers Lake  
Holly Vetsch, Rugby  
Jarrett Kessel, Belfield  
Regan Jones, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Kennadee Sovik, Bottineau  
Andreana Berger, Mandan  
Lexi Gietzen, Glen Ullin  
Scotti Pease, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Jessica Rosencrans, Powers Lake

Hannah Fischer, Wing  
Grace Johnson, Northern Cass  
Bailey Adams, Richland 44  
Sabrina Dunlop, Rolla  
Emolee Lindahl, Berthold  
Wyatt Dorner, New England  
Sidney Anderson, Lisbon  
Katie Fulton, Belfield  
Sam Roehrich, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Kyle Snyder, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Shanaye Picard, Bottineau  
Andrew Haakenson, Parshall  
Abby Kessel, Belfield  
Caden Albers, Center  
Bailey Anderson, Edgeley/Kulm  
Landen Loveless, Powers Lake  
Ashely Bergquist, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Tasha Pond, Bowman County  
Teanna Hintz, Center  
Jaynie Douglas, Grant County  
Kaden Korgel, South Prairie  
Maria Steichen, McClusky  
Tyler Johnson, Belfield  
Maura Mills, Berthold  
Warrick Dilse, Scranton  
Chloe Meicher, Max  
Cole Turchin, Lisbon  
Connor Dilse, Scranton  
Bridget Kunz, New Salem  
Hannah Anderson, Grafton  
Natasha Baranko, South Heart  
Carlie Millang, Bottineau  
Kayla Ehliis, New England  
Kadence Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer

## ***EMPLOYMENT SKILLS***

12 individuals participated in this event. \*High Individual receives a \$100 scholarship, travel stipend and a Baby Bison Trophy and a traveling trophy.

### **Gold (5)**

\*Brianna Maddock, Kindred  
Cassidy Walth, Wishek  
Madison Christian, Finley/Sharon  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Abbigale Steeke, Scranton

### **Silver (6)**

Tatiana Friese, Harvey  
Jacy Hauge, Flasher  
Bradyn Lachenmeier, Kidder County  
Ashlei Stancyk, Grant County  
Halie Schamltz, Rugby  
Tanner Thompson, Ray

### **Bronze (4)**

Caleb Boehm, Richland 44  
Jillian Strilcov, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Sean Gierke, Beulah  
Milah Kibbel, Garrison

## ***MEATS CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT***

35 teams and 116 individuals participated in the 2018 Meats CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National FFA Meats Selection Event is the *Turtle Lake/Mercer* FFA Chapter. High Team receives a Traveling Trophy. \*High Individual receives a \$100 scholarship and a Baby Bison. The winning team received hard hats and frocks.

### **TEAM**

<b><u>Gold (5)</u></b>			<b><u>Silver (6)</u></b>			<b><u>Bronze (7)</u></b>
*Turtle Lake/Mercer	Minot	Carrington	Beulah	Velva	Lisbon	
Kidder County	Munich	Des Lacs/Burlington	South Prairie	Rugby	Granville	
New Salem		Dickinson	South Heart	Berthold	Enderlin	
				Oakes/Sargent Central		

### **INDIVIDUAL**

<b><u>Gold (24)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (30)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (34)</u></b>
*Jacob Scheresky, Minot	Mathias Kubal, Carrington	Jacob Pollestad, Munich
Rhea Laib, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Michael Thomas, Velva	Morgan Weddell, South Prairie
Aaron Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Garrett Kuhn, Glen Ullin	Lauren Voeller, Rugby
Lucas Nitschke, Edgeley/Kulm	Addie Urness, Carrington	Jase Sailer, Beulah
Shaye Koester, Kidder County	Tyler Erickson, Beulah	Alexis Vandenberghe, Medina
Ryeleigh Laib, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Jakob Van Berkom, Des Lacs/Burlington	Kaden Korgel, South Prairie
Bradyn Lachenmeier, Kidder County	Thomas Schauer, Berthold	Jared Lovro, Granville
Dreyton Rud, New Salem	Caleb Hauck, Oakes/Sargent Central	Caleb Privratsky, South Heart
Sam Poland, South Heart	Kutter Blumhagen, Velva	Zack Nord, Enderlin
Kia Ward, Dickinson	Jacob Klaudt, Beulah	Cody Matehs, Rugby
Jess Sanders, New Salem	Robert Fitterer, Beulah	Cole Janz, Velva
Miranda Ness, South Prairie	Samuel Jager, Minot	Ben Heger, Garrison
Jennifer Becker, New Salem	Hayden Thingvold, Rugby	Jordan Larson, Northern Cass
Ben Van Berkom, Des Lacs/Burlington	Tate Novodvorsky, South Prairie	Kell Helmuth, Watford City
Austin Schmidt, Kidder County	Bailey Severson, South Prairie	Kendra Myers, Lisbon
Caleb Woodrow, Munich	Jacob Bear, Lisbon	Reid Mickelson, Rolla
Dawson Biby, Munich	Grayson Pease, Des Lacs/Burlington	Seth Fjeldahl, Berthold
Logan Becker, New Salem	Taylor Downing, South Heart	Scott Lovro, Granville
Evan Bornemann, New Salem	Ethan Myers, Minot	Michael Kurtti, Rolla
Austin Weippert, Kidder County	Garrett Anderson, Minot	Cody Mack, Medina
Chayla Kuss, Carrington	Garrett Snyder, Des Lacs/Burlington	Amy Volk, Rugby
Karlee Sailer, Beulah	Matthew Schauer, Berthold	Jacob Hanson, Berthold
Madelyn Schmidt, Kidder County	Jerry Brossart, Rugby	Joseph Wells, Granville
Victoria Trochez, Dickinson	Drew McArthur, Munich	Laurana Lynds, Enderlin
	Cody McClean, Carrington	Calli Hauck, Oakes/Sargent Central
	Max Muggli, Oakes/Sargent Central	Raelee Bartholomay, Enderlin
	Jazmine Beardsley, Velva	Lydia Lyons, Lisbon
	Carson Houser, McClusky	Bryce Latendresse, Granville
	Nathan Unruh, Dickinson	Sam Peterson, Mandan
	Preston Kraft, Velva	Nathan Haverluk, South Heart
		Beth Lee, Carrington
		Brady Larson, Lakota
		Erika Simpson, Munich



## ***MILK QUALITY AND PRODUCTS***

42 teams and 152 individuals participated in the 2018 Milk Quality CDE. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Milk Quality CDE is of the ***Kindred*** FFA Chapter. Their team coach is ***Mr. Mitchell Becker and Miss Breanna Bregel***. \*High Individual receives a Baby Bison Trophy a \$100 scholarship.

### **TEAM**

<b><u>Gold (7)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (7)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (10)</u></b>
*Kindred Carrington	Velva Harvey	Lidgerwood Medina
Killdeer Granville	Hebron Leeds	Des Lacs/Burlington McClusky
Wyndmere Grant County	Beulah Minot	LaMoure South Prairie
New Salem	Maddock AS Gibbens	South Heart Mandan
		Wahpeton Belfield

### **INDIVIDUAL**

<b><u>Gold(35)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver(46)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze(54)</u></b>
*Ellie MacFarlane, Kindred	Thomas Lothspeich, Wyndmere	Haley Mittleider, Gackle/Streeter
Ben Saewert, Kindred	Evan Follman, Leeds	Tyler Kahl, Belfield
Emily Sears, Maddock A.S. Gibbens	Kaylee Beachler, Kidder County	Alyson Lucy, Minot
Gabe Lothspeich, Wyndmere	Aaron Kuntz, Belfield	Kevin Friedt, Harvey
Jolie Sanders, New Salem	Drew Weigel, Napoleon	Paige Bennington, Park River
Logan Becker, New Salem	John Gutschmidt, Gackle Streeter	Laiken David, Wyndmere
Anne Manstrom, Wyndmere	Landen Veil, Mandan	Lilly Bina, Park River
Bethany Anderson, Harvey	Akala Knatterud, Maddock A.S. Gibbens	Hayle Boechler, Wilton
Alex Sadowsky, Killdeer	Fayth Hoger, New Salem	Reganne Ritterman, Leeds
Samantha Johnson, New Salem	Greta Florence, Velva	Hannah Hagen, Mohall
Bryce Mutschelknaus, Grant County	Sadie Magnuson, Carrington	Tyler McCuaig, Minot
Eva Lahlum, Lamoure	Emily Duval, Kindred	Jaiden Krizan, Hebron
Ryan Woroniecki, Hebron	Grace Bachmeier, Granville	Chase McCone, Hebron
Liam McFadden, Killdeer	Alex Moch, Mandan	Trey Klain, Turtle Lake Mercer
Tristan McMahan, Granville	Nathan Elverud, Leeds	Jeff Laib, McClusky
Chayla Kuss, Carrington	Cheyenne Olien, Kindred	Kaylee Follman, Towner
Brady Kallenbach, Maddock A.S. Gibbens	Jonah Enochson, Wahpeton	Christy Shockley, Wishek
Isak Olson, Beulah	Justin Lee, Carrington	Dalton Dockter, Medina
Jacklyn Pazdernik, New Salem	Brett Hlebechuk, Belfield	Harley Clemensen, Parshall
Sean Nichols, Carrington	Jaden Reiser, Turtle Lake/Mercer	Aidan McMahan, Granville
Claire Moffet, Wyndmere	Shayla Sauer, Des Lacs/Burlington	Tristan Ridl, Bowman County
Maiiah McCowan, Mandan	Jonnah Lee, Velva	Toby Wolf, Belfield
Isaac Preble, Harvey	Shelby Faul, McClusky	Goldie Loepp, Oakes/Sargent Central
Hannah Pierson, Maddock A.S. Gibbens	Zach Kvamme, Kindred	Isaiah Lee, Wahpeton
Steven Schumacher, Napoleon	Paige Beckman, Center	Tara Binstock, Wing
Alicia Hellman, Harvey	Alexius Holter, Des Lacs/Burlington	Landon Smith, Lamoure
Taylor Foss, Maddock A.S. Gibbens	Dakota Schaefer, Grant County	Mariah Evans, Bottineau
Danielle Benz, Killdeer	Nick Fagerberg, South Heart	Neeleigh Wollenzien, Towner
Levi Darulis, Minot	Baleigh Ripplinger, McClusky	Brody Cahill, Rolla
Wyatt McGee, Mandan	Mathias Kubal, Carrington	Spencer Mellmer, Beulah
Cassie Pierson, Grant County	Calista Heley, Lidgerwood	Annika Christensen, Kenmare
Garret Krein, Kidder County	Mack Buckmier, Hettinger	Kaylee Blumhagen, Velva
Morgan Ziesch, Kidder County	Jarrel Mcgarvey, Leeds	Angela Kuhnhenh, Towner
Colby Dukart, Killdeer	Brandon Lalim, Rolla	Jared Loing, Rolla
Allison Cross, Granville	Austyn Rafteseth, Grant County	Amber Lies, Garrison
	Jackson Lindbo, South Prairie	Morgan Reiser, Gackle Streeter
	Mackenzi Woodall, Granville	Carson Farhart, Stanley
	Arabella Roering, Kenmare	Ethan Galbreath, Kidder County
	Kerrigan Krueger, Velva	Kalorada Eagon, Bowman
	Rachel Mack, Velva	Billy Ciser, South Prairie
	Reed Wendel, Lamoure	Kassidee Logsdon, McClusky
	Seth Berg, Mandan	Katie Cargo, Towner
	Anna Heley, Lidgerwood	Trinity Serfling, Hebron
	Grace Schimke, Harvey	Nickolas Backman, Wilton
	Zachary Lahlum, Lamoure	Mckenzie Foltyn, Mohall
	Emily Tranby, Des Lacs/Burlington	Alison Betz, Garrison
		Cole Rhein, Minot
		Devon Olson, Max

Grace Schmitt, Towner  
 Ashley Bauer, Kenmare  
 Dale Boe, St John  
 Pacey Feist, Napoleon  
 Cody Mack, Medina  
 Jayden Ochsner, Wilton

## ***NURSERY/LANDSCAPE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT***

22 teams participated in the 2018 Nursery CDE team event. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is the ***Kindred*** FFA Chapter. 75 individuals participated in this event. \*High Individual receives a Chain Saw, \$100 scholarship and a Baby Bison Trophy.

	<b><u>TEAM</u></b>	
<b><u>Gold (4)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (3)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (5)</u></b>
*Kindred Des Lacs/Burlington	Beulah Napoleon Wishek	Medina Velva Powers Lake
Hebron Minot		Harvey Rugby

	<b><u>INDIVIDUAL</u></b>	
<b><u>Gold (15)</u></b>	<b><u>Silver (19)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (23)</u></b>
*Makayla Heinrich, Kindred Jacie Osier, Kindred Anna Stopplesworth, Kindred Ben Van Berkomp, Des Lacs/Burlington Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah Elizabeth Saewert, Kindred Olivia Svanes, Napoleon Nathan Ball, Minot Jakob Van Berkomp, Des Lacs/Burlington Morgan Krizan, Hebron Alex Ruff, Wishek Braxton Rolle, Hebron Samantha Mogard, Bismarck Jon Twedt, Kindred Sierra Shaw, Minot	Charmain Haas, Napoleon Kaylee Bolen, Powers Lake Amber VanEpps, Medina Michael Schmidt, Beulah Abby Carlson, Medina Taylor Cottrell, Minot Garrett Snyder, Des Lacs/Burlington Olivia Effertz, Velva Breanna Hosman, Hebron Jessica Rosencrans, Powers Lake Makenna Vollmer, Harvey Marissa Tiegen, Harvey Mariah McLaughlin, Beulah Bryson Haman, Velva Casey Buskohl, Wyndmere Evan Friesz, Grant County Agustin Obregaon, Grafton Laurare Beaudrie, Velva Maria Blessum, Rugby	Seth Bettenhausen, Wishek Hailey Wright, Velva Remington Hartwig, Minot Kolin Westman, Garrison Hunter Wolf, Wishek Tristin Lunde, Rugby Clay Bendickson, Garrison Kelsey LeRohl, Minot Brittney Reister, Medina Austin Belisle, Grant County Brooke Loen, Harvey Wyatt Hanson, Velva Nickolas Puetzla, Wyndmere Abby Helm, Medina Ryley Lee, Max Colt Kersten, Max Sydney Fischer, Turtle Lake/Mercer Scotti Pease, Des Lacs/Burlington Sarah Blessum, Rugby Jaime Danks, Max Samantha Mills, Powers Lake Alyssa Ball, Des Lacs/Burlington Kasey Kolden, Garrison

## ***PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING EVENT***

15 individuals participated in the 2018 Memorized Public Speaking Event. The State Champion representing North Dakota in the National Event is ***Christina Bingham*** of the ***Max*** FFA Chapter. The winner receives a Baby Bison Trophy.

	<b><u>Silver (5)</u></b>	
<b><u>Gold (5)</u></b>	<b><u>Bronze (5)</u></b>	
*Christina Bingham, Max Kelsey Stumvoll, Garrison Kourtney Bitz, Napoleon Billie Lentz, Rolla Cassie Faul, Harvey	Gabe Lothspeich, Wyndmere Madeline Nichols, Carrington Michaela Fischer, Bowman County Morgan Krizan, Hebron Jennifer Becker, New Salem	Cassie Pierson, Grant County Chase Huelle, Stanley Hailey Maddock, Maddock AS Gibbens Laurana Lynds, Enderlin Tanner Thompson, Ray

## QUIZ EVENT

16 Teams participated in the 2018 Quiz Event. The Championship Team is the Harvey FFA Chapter. 73 Individuals participated.

\*High individuals receive a Baby Bison Trophy and a \$100 scholarship. High Team receives a Traveling Trophy

### TEAM

#### Gold (6)

\*Harvey  
Napoleon  
Kindred

Beulah  
Garrison  
Killdeer  
Carrington  
Velva

#### Silver (5)

Fessenden/Bowdon  
Grant County

Lisbon  
Powers Lake  
Hebron

#### Bronze (5)

Stanley  
Maddock AS Gibbens  
Finley/Sharon

### INDIVIDUAL

#### Gold (26)

\*Lindsey English, Harvey  
Kourtney Bitz, Napoleon  
Ben Saewert, Kindred  
Christina Greuel, Kindred  
Alexa Young, Napoleon  
Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah  
Kylee Bitz, Napoleon  
Matthew Voeller, Harvey  
Bethany Anderson, Harvey  
Grace Schimke, Harvey  
Isak Olson, Beulah  
Sean Nichols, Carrington  
Jacie Osier, Kindred  
Ellie MacFarlane, Kindred  
Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
Katelyn Voeller, Harvey  
Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Anna Stopplesworth, Kindred  
Iris Dukart, Killdeer  
Morgan Krizan, Hebron  
Cassidy Zook, Garrison  
Rachel Voigt, Killdeer  
Rachel Mack, Velva  
Adam Gorseth, Carrington  
Rachel Copenhaver, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Tyler Erickson, Beulah

#### Silver (24)

Bryce Mutschelknaus, Grant County  
ChristiAnna Schmidt, Beulah  
Veronica Schwartzenberger, Napoleon  
Jazmine Beardsley, Velva  
Hope Brewer, Velva  
Calli Hennessy, Stanley  
Danielle Benz, Killdeer  
Isac Bentten, Lisbon  
Sadie Maruskie, Powers Lake  
Chloe Bourdeau, Velva  
Cade Majeres, Garrison  
Conner Fike, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Jill Endres, Carrington  
Kasen Anderson, Lisbon  
Harley Eckert, Powers Lake  
Hailey Maddock, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Addie Urness, Carrington  
Grace Mogen, Velva  
Jessica Rosencrans, Powers Lake  
Aaron Johnson, Garrison  
Lydia Lyons, Lisbon  
Corrie Dobitz, Killdeer  
Wyatt Hanson, Stanley  
Hanna Grubb, Powers Lake

#### Bronze (25)

Jaeden Thompson, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Madison Meyer, Grant County  
Sam Dart, Grant County  
Awnah Fox, Killdeer  
Chase Benson, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Kaylee Bolen, Powers Lake  
Breanna Hosman, Hebron  
Gunnar Hagen, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Brianna Fike, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Jillian MacDonald, Beulah  
Austyn Rafteseth, Grant County  
Cole Turchin, Lisbon  
Cora Wagner, Lisbon  
Skyyla Johnson, Finley/Sharon  
Ryan Woroniecki, Hebron  
Charity Dosch, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Izzy Gilbertson, Stanley  
Rhett Hanson, Stanley  
Emily Hoffman, Finley/Sharon  
Kasey Kolden, Garrison  
Colby Jones, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Ryan Tuite, Finley/Sharon  
Beth Mehus, Finley/Sharon  
Chase McCone, Hebron  
Shambre Feiring, Stanley

## REPORTER BOOK

#### Gold (8)

Gage Yellowbird, Max  
Adam Gorseth, Carrington  
Calli Mack, Medina  
Skyla Folden, Garrison  
Bailee Williams, Velva  
Kourtney Bitz, Napoleon  
Brenna Hoyer, New Salem  
Jillian McDonald, Beulah

#### Silver (5)

Shelby Meckle, Center  
Karena Verbitsky, South Prairie  
Cade McClould, Rolla  
Miami Petras, Hettinger  
Carson Houser, McClusky

#### Bronze (3)

Evan Friesz, Grant County  
Madeline Schauer, Wishek  
Jared Lovro, Granville

# **SECRETARY BOOK**

## **Gold (15)**

Justin Lee, Carrington  
 Grant Munro, Rolla  
 Christina Bingham, Max  
 Kutter Blumhagen, Velva  
 Samantha Mogard, Bismarck  
 Cassidy Zook, Garrison  
 Morgan Henke, New Salem  
 Kiersten Boehm, Richland 44  
 Kylee Bitz, Napoleon  
 Isak Olson, Beulah  
 Emily Boehm, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
 Jake Doll, Finley/Sharon  
 Kaley Sease, McClusky  
 Ashlei Stanczyk, Grant County  
 Allison Cross, Granville

## **Silver (2)**

Anna Stoppeworth, Kindred  
 Carlee Moser, Grant County

## **Bronze (2)**

Kyle Kostelecky, South Heart  
 Jake Herr, Wishek

## **SMALL ANIMAL PRODUCTION & CARE**

67 teams participated in the 2018 Small Animal Care CDE team event. The team selected to represent North Dakota in the National Event is the ***Towner*** FFA Chapter. 238 individuals participated in this event. \*High Individual receives a Baby Bison Trophy and a \$100 scholarship. High Team receives a Traveling Trophy.

### **TEAM**

#### **Gold (10)**

\*Towner Killdeer  
 Wyndmere New Salem  
 Harvey Des Lacs/Burlington  
 Richland 44 New England  
 Rugby Dickinson

#### **Silver (12)**

Mohall Northern Cass  
 Beulah Mandan  
 Velva Belfield  
 Fessenden/Bowdon Flasher  
 Mott/Regent Wahpeton  
 Nedrose Tioga

#### **Bronze (15)**

Garrison Wing  
 Hebron Medina  
 Kindred McClusky  
 LaMoure Center  
 Divide County Powers Lake  
 South Prairie Granville  
 Scranton Watford City  
 Kenmare

### **INDIVIDUAL**

#### **Gold (48)**

\*Sierra Strenge, Wyndmere  
 Kaitlynn Klebe, Towner  
 Mara Ballard, Dickinson  
 Eve Stegner, New England  
 Lindsey English, Harvey  
 Gracie Wagner, Towner  
 Tatiana Friese, Harvey  
 Amber Selensky, Rugby  
 Ally Feland, Mohall  
 Jolene Kuchera, Wyndmere  
 Charlynn Klebe, Towner  
 Mindee Boyce, Nedrose  
 Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah  
 Abby Martel, Richland 44  
 Kiersten Boehm, Richland 44  
 Kyla Larson, Northern Cass  
 Anna Muggli, Flasher  
 Jake Doll, Finley/Sharon  
 Cristian O'Hara, Wahpeton  
 Sadie Dinwidde, Velva  
 Anne Manstrom, Wyndmere  
 Eva Lahlum, LaMoure  
 Trinadee White, Hebron  
 Holly Knutson, Richland 44  
 Mya Knecht, Des Lacs/Burlington

#### **Silver (60)**

Kathryn Slavick, Mandan  
 Dylan Lachenmeier, Kidder County  
 Reagan Hildre, Velva  
 Cassidy Zook, Garrison  
 Isabella Armstrong, Harvey  
 Callie Oppen, Rugby  
 Alisha Letzring, New Salem  
 Kaylee Blumhagen, Velva  
 Rhyder Jorgenson, Mohall  
 Cora Sible, New Salem  
 Jule Stetson, Divide County  
 Stetson Mollohan, Kindred  
 Gracie O'Brien, South Heart  
 Ashlie Mauch, Wyndmere  
 Kaitlyn Bartholmy, Scranton  
 Britney Freund, Lakota  
 Benjamin Poulsen, Alexander  
 Jacklyn Pazdernik, New Salem  
 Chantel Kessel, Belfield  
 Elizabeth Bartholmy, Scranton  
 Emily Boehm, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
 Emily Tranby, Des Lacs/Burlington  
 Abigail Johnson, Mandan  
 Kamre Boltz, Killdeer  
 Cora Wagner, Lisbon

#### **Bronze (76)**

Rachel Copenhagen, Fessenden/Bowdon  
 Kaylie Schelcht, Enderlin  
 Ireland Watterud, Divide County  
 Emily Hlebechuk, Belfield  
 Kelsey Vandeburge, Medina  
 Benjamin Juelfs, Medina  
 Taylor Johnson, Garrison  
 Maren Burtman, Divide County  
 Caden Albers, Center  
 Teanna Hintz, Center  
 Madison Alyea, Flasher  
 Adell Willoughby, Max  
 Kylee Greuel, Kindred  
 Cole Foster, Berthold  
 Kayla Hovland, Northern Cass  
 Teegan Henke, Center  
 Auna Kubal, Carrington  
 Rose Wendel, LaMoure  
 Collin Peterson, Wilton  
 Laney Hartel, Watford City  
 Tasia Horning, Beulah  
 Shelby Schenfisch, Garrison  
 Kyler Curtis, Hettinger  
 Logan Lapica, Stanley  
 Kaitlyn Hajicek, St. John

Alexius Holter, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Madison Jones, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Karagan Friedt, Mott/Regent  
Mara Bornemann, New Salem  
ChristiAnna Schmidt, Beulah  
Molly Nies, Killdeer  
Hanna Benz, Killdeer  
Emmy Syversen, Edgeley/Kulm  
Tessa Smith, Richland 44  
Annika Towe, Harvey  
Nicole Neumiller, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Aubrey Bornemann, New Salem  
Daisy Remmick, Wyndmere  
Katherin Filler, Rugby  
Abigail Mehlhoff, Wing  
Gabby Galvan, Tioga  
Kayla Brew, Killdeer  
Hannah Remington, South Prairie  
Makenna Vollmer, Harvey  
Allee Boyer, Edgeley/Kulm  
Erika Jungberg, Towner  
Tyra Lysne, Rugby  
Sydnee Anderson, Mott/Regent

Grace Dinius, New England  
Madison McRae, Minot  
Natasha Baranko, South Heart  
Kaylee Bolen, Powers Lake  
Maci Wehri, Mott/Regent  
Christy Ellingson, Mohall  
Aaron Vanderwal, Dickinson  
Grace Johnson, Northern Cass  
Maggie Fulton, Belfield  
Nash Hastings, Nedrose  
Madilyn Berg, South Prairie  
Baylee Parsons, McClusky  
Morgan Reiser, Gackle/Streeter  
Aiyanna Ummer, Tioga  
Reese Johnson, Watford City  
Leah Ehlis, New England  
Cheyanne Lunde, Granville  
Esther Jaggi, Killdeer  
Aaron Huff, Medina  
Chloe Gunderson, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Meagan Harmel, Rugby  
Agatha Benedicto, Dickinson  
Jade Lohnes, Velva  
Dazey Sevland, Velva  
Jordan Rodin, Kenmare  
Madison Myers, Garrison  
Kaleigh Naser, McClusky  
Liegna Johnson, Belfield  
Emily Beck, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Brenna Wert, New England  
Mattie Brink, Kindred  
Bryce Lemon, Nedrose  
Jonah Enochson, Wahpeton  
Hannah Fischer, Wing  
Kailin Fazekas, Bismarck

Isabelle Gilbertson, Stanley  
Gage Hochhalter, Hebron  
Dawson Neshem, Berthold  
Jaidyn Brummond, Granville  
Courtney Sauer, Des Lacs/Burlington  
Goldie Loepp, Oakes/Sargent Central  
Crystal Bagley, Tioga  
Christina Mathias, North Sargent  
Madee Eikamp, Mott/Regent  
Emma Dirk, Mandan  
McKenzie Haas, Napoleon  
Lilly Bina, Park River  
Sophie Ketterling, Napoleon  
Riley Pister, Granville  
Andreana Berger, Mandan  
Selah Cowan, Powers Lake  
Callen Kruger, Mott/Regent  
Kyanna Halmrest, North Sargent  
Sabrina Dunlop, Rolla  
Ella Wagner, Enderlin  
Brendon Rasmussen, Bowman County  
Lianna Seibold, Wahpeton  
Samantha Serna, Grafton  
Abby Kessel, Belfield  
Tatum Fitch, Hettinger  
Abby Hickel, Ray  
Emma Ketterling, Napoleon  
Maria Steichen, McClusky  
Maura Unmuth, Hebron  
Jillian McDonald, Beulah  
Carlee Fuchs, Flasher  
Terver Grieger, Northern Cass  
Kaeden Schroeder, Richland 44  
Blake Lunde, Granville  
Keaton Chrest, Kenmare  
Morgan Vachal, Stanley  
Evan Bier, Beulah  
Abbie Bergquist, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Jaeden Thompson, Fessenden/Bowdon  
Shelby Brekhus, Kenmare  
Tucker Johnson, Berthold  
Brooklyn Fortier, Divide County  
Matthew Mills, Powers Lake  
Trystin Horning, St. John  
Samantha Mogard, Bismarck  
Peter Houle, St. John  
Breanna Poitra, St. John  
Lea Mittleider, Park River  
Andrea Arnold, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Brooke Steichen, McClusky  
Alex Holmen, Tioga

## ***SUPERIOR/NATIONAL CHAPTERS***

\*Indicates Chapters with applications sent on the Nationals

\*Garrison  
\*Rugby  
\*Napoleon

\*Max  
\*Richland 44  
\*Center  
\*Wishek

\*Rolla  
\*Kindred  
New Salem

## ***TALENT***

The individual selected to represent North Dakota at the National Talent Show is **Cameron Bitz** of the **Edgeley/Kulm FFA** Chapter. **Cameron Bitz** of the **Edgeley/Kulm FFA** will receive a Traveling Trophy sponsored by the ND FFA Foundation.

\*Cameron Bitz, Edgeley/Kulm  
Alexis Bachler, Glen Ullin  
Ebony Musonda, Scranton

Grace Johnson, Northern Cass  
Carly Bitz, Napoleon  
Henry Florida, Watford City

Michaela Fischer, Bowman County  
Reagan Hildre & Laurae Beaudrie, Velva  
Cassidy Walth & Madeline Schauer, Wishek

## ***TREASURER BOOK***

### **Gold (13)**

Brooke Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer  
Lexi Boe, Rolla  
Kenzie Opdahl, Beulah  
Kurt Muggli, Grant County  
Sadie Johnson, Napoleon  
Tyler Larson, Harvey  
Katelyn Youngs, Garrison  
MiKayla Lacher, Richland 44  
Taylor Foss, Maddock AS Gibbens  
Ben Saewert, Kindred  
Emily Webb, Minot  
Hope Scheresky, Max  
Teanna Hintz, Center

### **Silver (1)**

Brooke Kuntz, New Salem

### **Bronze (5)**

Lucas Roth, McClusky  
Jill Endres, Carrington  
Gabriel Lothspeich, Wyndmere  
Alexander Ruff, Wishek  
Brooke Bailey, Towner

### **Gold (11)**

Paige Beckman, Center  
Chantel Mertz, Harvey  
Brianna Maddock, Kindred  
Nathan Ball, Minot  
Mary Hintz, Flasher  
John Garrett Munro, Rolla  
Kelsea McDowell, Garrison  
Brad Hoppe, Carrington  
Abby Martel, Richland 44  
Caleb Cross, Granville  
Trey Klain, Turtle Lake/Mercer

## ***VICE PRESIDENT BOOK***

### **Silver (7)**

Will Rice, Maddock  
Levi Hofer, Larimore  
Calvin Tomlinson, Max  
Cierra Dockter, Medina  
Iris Dukart, Killdeer  
Kara Levorsen, Grant County  
Jacob Weigel, Beulah

### **Bronze (4)**

Jacob Leier, Napoleon  
Shelby Faul, McClusky  
Chase Bader, Wishek  
Zach Rickertson, Hettinger

## State Convention Delegate Committee Reports

### **Auditing Committee**

**Committee Members:** Shelby Meckle, Center; Jerrin Baumgarten, Central Cass; Ben Van Berkom, Des Lacs/Burlington; Victoria Trochez, Dickinson; Race Jacobson, Divide County; Emily Hoffman, Finley/Sharon; Kelsey Stomvoll, Garrison; Ryan Mugggli, Grant County; Hannah Mueller, Hillsboro; Kylee St. Croix, Kenmare; Reed Wendel, LaMoure; Justin Hoffmann, Larimore; John Fischer, Leeds; Lydia Lyons, Lisbon; Claire Graner, Mandan; Kalie Gudmestad, Medina; Alyssa Haman, Minot; Grace Solemsaas, Mohall; Karagan Friedt, Mott/Regent; Brooke Kunz, New Salem; Calli Hennessy, Stanley; Brooke Goven, Turtle Lake/Mercer; Christian O'Hara, Wahpeton; Abigail Deile, Wishek

**Members absent:** Zoey Bauer, North Sargent; Casey Durham, Oakes

**Committee Chairs:** Kinsey Schepp and Sam Poland

**Date and location of meeting:** June 4, 2018 in the SW Corner of the convention hall

**Report:** The Auditing Committee discussed the 2017-2018 budget presented by Mr. Anderson. The budget was recommended to pass by the committee. Next was discussion about FFA dues for the 2018-2019 year. The motion to keep the FFA dues at \$13 was made by Ben Van Berkom and seconded by Abigail Deile, the committee recommended this motion to pass.

**Action Recommended:** Accept the 2017-2018 budget as presented to the Auditing Committee, keep the FFA dues at \$13.

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### **Career Development Events Committee**

**Committee Members:** Emily Hiebeckuk (Belfield), Jacob Weigel (Beulah), Jayden MacDonald (Bismarck), Sean Nichols (Carrington), Emily Tramby (Des Lacs/Burlington), Laurana Lynds (Enderlin), Levi Opdahl (Fessenden/Bowdon), Grace Bachmeier (Granville), Brian Friedt (Harvey), Katherine Filler (Rugby), Iris Dukart (Killdeer), Makayla Heinrich (Kindred), Eva Lahlum (LaMoure), Hope Scheresky (Max), Nathan Ball (Minot), Caleb Woodrow (Munich), Alexa Young (Napoleon) Dreyton Rud (New Salem), Caleb Hauck (Oakes/SC), Tanner Thompson (Ray), Michael Kurtti (Rolla), Brady Dillon (Scranton), Leah Schmidt (Tioga), Cassidy Greteman (Wahpeton), Kase Kassian (Wilton), Kelli Gropper (Wishek), Claire Moffet (Wyndmere).

**Committee Chairs:** Caleb Boehm (Richland 44), and Morgan Krizan (Hebron).

**Date and location of meeting:** The Career Development Event Committee met at 7:30 on Monday, June 4th in the North-East corner of the Convention Hall and adjourned at 9:45.

**Report:** After the committee called roll call, they began with new business. They briefly discussed each of the CDE's and LDE's that were under review for this year's rotation. After deliberate discussion, the following suggestions were put forth.

#### **Action Recommended:**

**Suggestion 1:** Align the Extemporaneous Public Speaking event to mirror nationals.

**Resolution 1:** Introduce the ability to bring your own study materials into the contest.

**Suggestion 2:** Align the district and state Job Interview reference sheet rules and specify which writing utensils may be used.

**Resolution 2:** Clarify application and reference rules for Job Interview.

**Suggestion 3:** Align the Parliamentary Procedure event to mirror Nationals.

**Resolution 3:** Add clarifying questions to the state contest that are similar to the questions asked at Nationals.

**Suggestion 4:** Implement Novice Parliamentary Procedure in each district.

**Resolution 4:** Implement a Novice Parliamentary Procedure event in each district that does not count for chapter of the day points, but allows younger members to experience parliament without being elected to the officer team.

**Suggestion 5:** Add a finals round to Ag Sales.

**Resolution 5:** The top 10% of individuals advance to the finals round to ensure fair scoring in Ag Sales.

**Suggestion 6:** Incorporate a team problem in Livestock Judging that mirrors Nationals.

**Resolution 6:** Make the keep/cull portion of the contest a team event rather than an individual event.

**Suggestion 7:** Update the Agronomy contest.

**Resolution 7:** Update the restricted and prohibited noxious weeds list.

**Suggestion 8:** Recycle ribbons and rosettes.

**Resolution 8:** Have a box to put unwanted ribbons and rosettes in at each contest as well as have advisors mail back unwanted awards from their advisor's packets.

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## **Convention Entertainment Committee**

**Committee Members:** Kenzie Opdahl, Kenadee Sovik, Kolin Westman, Alexis Bachler, Hunter Keler, Mikayla Cotton, Elizabeth Saewert, Zach Lahlum, Kalli Lutt, Kathryn Slavick, Braden Janz, Sierra Shaw, Devin Wert, Kasi Holm, Lilly Bina, Colter Sanderson, Aaron Meyer, Bailer Severson, Maddison Tandeski, Rhett Hanson, Kylie Hildre, Emily Braught, Hannah Chrest, Addy Wagner, Sutton Berg, Miranda Voegle, Shelby Brakkes, Bailey Adams, Cody Maletterre

**Members absent:** Chayce Sieg-Borchardt, Jordan Rodin, Sadie Maruskie

**Committee Chairs:** Megan Goldade

**Date and location of meeting:** Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> -steps on the south side of convention hall

**Report:** The Convention Entertainment Committee discussed possible entertainment options. Some suggestions were: campus tours, a wider variety of workshops for all ages, social rooms, tournaments, etc... We also investigated ways to better promote the dances and other entertainment events.

### **Action Recommended:**

We would like to see sports stadium tours of the NDSU campus as well as swing dance lessons before dances, having a specific page in the convention pamphlet to promote the activities, and informing the advisors of the activities before convention to tell their students. We'd like to include a social event such as card and board games and pool or ping pong tournaments as funding allows. We'd like to see volleyball and basketball tournaments- teams sorted by region. Comedians and hypnotists are wanted back to convention. We'd also like to limit the time allowed for speakers.

## **FFA Outreach Committee**

**Members:** Katelyn Griggs, Bowman County; Emma Leppert, Edgeley/Kulm; Garrett Kuhn, Glen Ullin; Kara Levorsen, Grant County; Bella Armstrong, Harvey; Alex Sadowsky, Killdeer; Abbey Linstad, Lakota;



Cora Wagner, Lisbon; Cody Mack, Medina; Jacob Scheresky, Minot; Chace Driscoll, Mohall; Harley Potter, Nedrose; Cheyanne Boedekker, Northern Cass; Harley Clemensen, Parshall; Halie Schaltz, Rugby; Taylor Downing, South Heart; Morgan Weddell, South Prairie; Kaitlyn Hajicek, St. John; Peyton Skabo, Tioga; Kaylee Fullman, Towner; Jewelia Siegler, Wahpeton; Jacob Goff, Watford City; Zach Even, Wyndmere

**Members absent:** Chance Porsborg, Bismarck; Hannah Anderson, Grafton; Zach Rickertsen, Hettinger; Kaylee Beachler, Kidder County

**Committee Chairs:** Jacy Hauge, Flasher; Brianna Maddock, Kindred

**Date and location of meeting:** June 4, 2018; NW corner of Benson/Bunker Fieldhouse

**Report:** After the committee called roll call, they began with new business. They briefly discussed each of the following: how their FFA chapters gain support, alumni chapters, and how they got their information about FFA. After discussion, the following suggestions were put forth.

**Action Recommended:**

First Action Recommended: To have the state association send a state representative to communities who are looking to start an alumni chapter, encourage current alumni chapters to reach out to communities looking to start an alumni chapter, and create a grant for beginning alumni chapters.

Second Action Recommended: To encourage students to give a yearly report about their FFA programs to administrations and school boards and create a grant for chapters to apply for in order to have their administrator accompany them to FFA events such as National Convention.

Third Action Recommended: To create a new tab on ndffa.org with a step-by-step process of starting an alumni, link this to FaceBook, and send a hardcopy to each chapter. Also, have state officers create a video about what FFA is and its benefits.

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**Program of Activities Committee**

**Committee Members:** McKenzie Buckman (Belfield), Isak Olson (Beulah), Lauren Gust (Bottineau), Michaela Fischer (Bowman County), Teegan Henke (Center), Kia Ward (Dickinson), Cade Melaas (Drake), Payton Brandenburg (Edgeley/Kulm), Madison Christian (Finley/Sharon), Erin Keeth (Glenburn), Emma Condit (Kenmare), Allison Roth (Kidder County), Anna Stoppleworth (Kindred), Declan Ritterman (Leeds), Faith Fredrickson (Lidgerwood), Tate Benson (Maddock), Kelsey Lerohl (Minot), Hadley Binstock (New England), Max Muggli (Oaks/SC), Abby Martel (Richland 44), Emma Mitchel (Rolla), Wyatt Hanson (Stanley), Emily Boehm (Turtle Lake/ Mercer), Bailee Williams (Velva), Jonah Enochson (Wahpeton), Miranda Voegele (Watford City), Kianna Kraft (Wilton)

**Alternate Members:** McCormick Thompson (Bottineau), Teanna Hintz (Center), John Haverland (Richland 44), Reid Mickelson (Rolla)

**Committee Chairs:** Skyla Folden (Garrison) **and** Gabe Lothspeich (Wyndmere)

**Date and location of meeting:** Monday June 4, 2018 SE corner of Benson Bunker Field House

**Report:** The committee reviewed proposed changes to the State POA previously recommended by the Board of Directors. The motion to approve these changes was made by Tate Benson from Maddock, seconded by Kia Ward from Dickinson, and approved by the committee. The committee also reviewed the Recreation section dealing with State Convention activities. The motion to revise the POA to say a dance will be held Wednesday night was made by Kia Ward from Dickinson, seconded by Payton Brandenburg from Edgeley-Kulm, and approved by the committee. The committee also discussed increasing junior high opportunities. Anna Stoppleworth from Kindred moved to bring this topic to the Board of Directors. Bailee Williams from Velva seconded this motion, and the motion passed. Payton Brandenburg from Edgeley made the motion to adjourn, and was seconded by Anna Stoppleworth of Kindred. The committee adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.

**Action Recommended:**

- #1) Revise the state POA to correspond with the previously recommended changes.
- #2) Revise the recreation section of the POA to reflect scheduling changes.
- #3) Consider additional options for increased junior high involvement.

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**SAE Promotion/Recognition**

**Committee Members:** Emolee Lindahl (Berthold), Brad Mellang (Bottineau), Madeliene Nichols (Carrington), Rider Jacobson (Divide County), Cedar Kraft (Flasher), Morgan Reiser (Gackle/Streeter), Steven Garza (Grafton), Allison Cross (Granville), Morgan Pedersen (Harvey), Jacob Klein (Hazen), Mack Buckmier (Hettinger), Rachel Voigt (Killdeer), Jacie Osier (Kindred), Cole Turchin (Lisbon), Kaley Sease (McClusky), Teagan Mackoviak (Minot), Taylor Cottrell (Minot), Ally Feland (Mohall), Samantha Johnson (New Salem), Mikayla Lacher (Richland 44), Lilli French (Rugby), Isabelle Gilbertson (Stanley), Brooke Bailey (Towner), Ryeleigh Laib (Turtle Lake/Mercer), Aaron Dean (Velva), Cassie DeVillers (Wahpeton), Emily Scheresky (Washburn), Peyton Steig (Watford City)

**Members absent:** Anissah Corlblom (North Sargent)

**Committee Chairs:** Taylor Mathern (Edgeley-Kulm), Ryan Woroniecki (Hebron)

**Date and location of meeting:** June 4<sup>th</sup>, Benson Bunker Room 203

**Report:**

**Resolution 1:**

Whereas; there is a lack of information available to students and advisors regarding the AET program therefore be it resolved that we make this information available through workshops at Winter Leadership, booths at State Convention, and emailing advisors throughout the year.

**Resolution 2:**

Whereas; there are videos on the AET that give examples on how to complete entries but they are specific to one SAE there for it be resolved that we ask the AET program for more videos or we create our own videos for our state FFA website.

**Resolution 3:**

Whereas; there are few members and chapters participation on the AET, therefore it be resolved that we make the AET program and SAE program part of the agriculture education curriculum.

**Resolution 4:**

Whereas; there are few members aware of the AET app to make entries more accessible, therefore it be resolved that we promote the app through all social media platforms and through a short video at state convention.

**Resolution 5:**

Whereas; there are members that have a lack of motivation to fill out the AET, therefore it be resolved that we have a point-based contest based on number of SAEs, giving chapters an incentive to get more members to start SAEs.

**Screening Committee Report:**

The 2018 North Dakota FFA State Officer Candidate Screening Committee has been working very hard over the first two days of State Convention, screening through an outstanding group of 15 highly qualified and well-rounded candidates. The Screening Committee consisted of ten members, making up a blended committee. Those members are: Justin Swanson, NDSU; Preston Gilderhus, North Dakota FFA Foundation; Wade Anderson, Harvey FFA Advisor; Kasey Okke, Rugby FFA Advisor; Jill Endres, Carrington FFA; Jacob Arnold, Maddock A.S. Gibbons FFA; Abbigale Steeke, Maddock A.S. Gibbons FFA; Austin Owen, Gackle-Streeter FFA; Nicollette Bitz, Past – State Officer; Jerrod MacDonald, Past – State Officer. The screening committee nominations are as follows.

**Nominated for President:**

- 1. Brianna Maddock, Kindred FFA
- 2. Billie Lentz, Rolla FFA

**Nominated for Secretary:**

- 1. Morgan Krizan, Hebron FFA
- 2. Caleb Boehm, Richland 44 FFA

**Nominated for Vice President:**

- 1. Jennifer Becker, New Salem FFA

**Nominated for Treasurer:**

- 1. Brooke Goven, Turtle Lake – Mercer FFA

**Nominated for Reporter:**

- 1. Cassidy Walth, Wishek FFA

**Nomainted for Sentinel:**

- 1. Lucas Rath, McClusky FFA

**Nominated for Parliamentarian:**

- 1. Jacy Hauge, Flasher FFA

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**Winter Leadership Event Committee**

**Committee Members:** Hadley Thompson (Bottineau), Adam Roden (Central Cass), Mya Knecht (Des Lacs/Burlington), Ella Wagner (Enderlin), Jaeden Thompson (Fessenden/Bowdon), Katelyn Youngs (Garrison), Katelyn Voeller (Harvey), Liam McFadden (Killdeer), Britney Freund (Lakota), Kennedy Meyer (Lidgerwood), Sierra Ellingson (Mandan), Shelby Faul (McClusky), Madison McRae (Minot), Theodore Mayer (Mott/Regent), Erika Simpson (Munich), Jacob Leier (Napoleon), Shaylynn Bush (Nedrose), Kyla Larson (Northern Cass), Vincent Carruth (Oakes/SC), Sandra KJelland (Park River), Jessica Rosencrans (Powers Lake), Abby Hickel (Ray), Holly Vetsch (Rubgy), Miranda Ness (South Prairie), Kolby Bassingthwaite (Wahpeton), Kaleb Goff (Watford City), Jazmin Cordero Solis (Westhope), Keagan Marshall (Wing)

**Members absent: None**

**Committee Chairs:** Christina Bingham (Max), Jennifer Becker (New Salem)

**Date and location of meeting:** 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 4th, 2018 Center of Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

**Report:** The State Winter Leadership Event Committee discussed the changes that took place within the Winter Leadership Event in 2018. We discussed the venue changes, such as the dance being held at the Civic Center instead of the Ramkota Hotel. We also discussed the changes that have taken place concerning service projects. Prior to 2018, all students had the opportunity to take part in a service project; however, in 2018, only students that were registered for the 101 conference were able to complete a service project.

**Action Recommended:**

-Reconsider having the dance at the Ramkota so that transportation to and from the Civic Center are not an issue, and members would be able to socialize without having to go to the dance.

-Reconsider bringing back Project Linus or other service projects instead of a key-note speaker. This will allow all members have an opportunity to be a part of a hands-on service project.

## **“Be Better Than Yesterday”-Cole Ketterling, State President**

I consider one of my biggest blessings growing up was having older siblings to look up to. They were always there to teach and prepare me for new things I would encounter and were the perfect role models. My biggest role model was my older brother. I had many of the same goals that he did growing up. I thought that I had to take the same steps he did to accomplish these goals. I found myself being involved in every extra-curricular event that he did in high school. I thought these were my goals, but they were often just things he had accomplished that I thought I had to also achieve. I was always comparing myself to him.

Sadie Robertson from Duck Dynasty said that “We live in a competitive world, and perhaps the only competition truly worth winning is the one we have with ourselves-the battle to be true to ourselves and to maintain our identity when the world tries to get us to go after its trophies.” It is easy to get caught up in competitions. Trying to win a baby bison, make the all state team, or any other award. These things are all good goals to have, but your satisfaction can’t rely on accomplishing these things. They have to be goals that you want to achieve, not things you just want to win, or something your role models did so you think you also have to do. Comparing your situation and talents to that of others will lead you to nothing but constant disappointment. The best advice I ever got was “The only person you need to try to be better than, was the person you were yesterday.”

It will always seem like someone else has their life put together better than you do, but no one is exempt from hard times or unusual circumstances. My senior year of high school I broke my leg half way through the football season. I was devastated that I would never be able to play football again. Through the time that I was unable to play, I realized that there was no use feeling sorry for myself. What was done was done. I could either make the most of my situation and devote the time lost on the field to other things in school, or I could spend the next couple of months wishing I wouldn’t have broken my leg. Everyone is going to encounter bumps along the way. You can’t let these situations define you though. Everyone has a different route to success, don’t think that one situation will keep you from accomplishing what you set out to do.

Surround yourself with people that have similar goals that you do. You become the people you hang out with, but don’t let the success of your role models and peers lead you to believe you aren’t successful. Everyone one is going to face different circumstances on the way to accomplishing their goals. Control the aspects of life you can. Don’t spend your life worrying about the things you can’t control. ND FFA this blue jacket gives us the chance to compete and accomplish many of our goals, but remember, the only person you have to be better than is the person you were yesterday.

## **“Enjoy the View” -Marissa Tuhy, State Secretary**

Advice. It's something we all need from time to time. Where and who do you seek advice from? Maybe it's your parents, your Ag teacher, or your closest friend. Or maybe, you're like Iian Sharmir, a successful poet who takes advice from things in nature. Now, some of you are likely thinking- what?! How can nature give us advice? But Iian is right and I will show you why. Sometimes, we need advice from someone or something that is older and wiser than us. So how about we take advice from an old and sturdy oak tree?

You see, it all starts with the roots (DRAW ROOTS)

I have gone through a lot of changes and traveled many different places throughout my life. My most recent change, was moving all the way across the state of ND to attend college at NDSU. I went from having 17 kids in my class to close to 300 students in a lecture hall. I have traveled to places like Washington D.C., Indianapolis, California, Kansas City, Oklahoma, New York, and Australia (say places fast) ... just to name a few. Although I loved learning about these new cultures and soaking in new experiences one thing became apparent to me- my home would always be North Dakota and my roots would always be with my family and friends. I quickly learned that no matter where the next chapter in my life took me, I could always return home and always had a strong support system.

Like most of you, when I joined FFA, I established my roots in this organization. At that \_me, I didn't know where FFA would take me or what I would do, but I did know that I had found a place where I truly fit in and another group of people to call my family. I developed a foundation and found pride every \_me I zipped up my jacket. I was able to stand tall (DRAW TRUNK OF TREE) and proud because I knew FFA was putting me on a path to success. So, no matter where life takes you, don't forget where you came from. Always remember your roots because if your roots go deep, your branches can go higher. Which leads us to my next point.

I think back to my own start in FFA and I must admit, I was hesitant to join this organization. And if it wasn't for my brother encouraging and pushing me to join the livestock judging team, I wouldn't be in front of you today. I took a chance, went out on a limb, (DRAW TREE LIMB) and tried something new when I made the choice to join that team. Because of that single choice, I have found friendships, success, and a passion for agriculture and FFA. I went out on a limb to better myself and create an impact on others. I challenge you all to think about what you are afraid of doing or what you would try to do if you knew you could not fail. It's \_me to stop letting worry and fear get in the way of your dreams. Never be afraid to try new things and make mistakes. It's a part of life and learning. So, go out on a limb because you won't find your fullest potential until you try. Finally, after all this work, we reach the top (DRAW LEAVES/REST OF TREE) And this perhaps, is the most important lesson I have learned. We all are guilty of getting caught up in the business of school, work, extracurriculars, and whatever else life throws at us. But, we often forget to step back and enjoy the moment. It's okay to slow down. It's okay to take a break and reflect. Our journey through life is incredible, but so quick. That's why it is crucial to remember to take a moment to breath and time to Enjoy the view. ND FFA members and guests, be thankful for the opportunities you've had and the people in your life. And when you need a reminder of what is most important or encouragement to chase your dreams, be like Iian Shirman, the poet who listens to advice from the tree as we Remember our Roots, Stand Tall and Proud, Go out on a limb, And Enjoy the View!

## **“The Eleventh Step”-Cierra Dockter, State Vice President**

Stance. I stood straddling the line at the first archery practice my senior year of high school. This was it. After competing since fifth grade, I was confident this was going to be my year. I lined up for the first round with my trusty yellow bow, strung an arrow, and fwoooooop. It hit the target...but definitely not in the center. Oh well, I probably just needed to warm up a bit. I nocked another arrow and prepared to shoot. Fwoop, it once again missed the center. In fact, I was barely even hitting the target anymore. Arrow after arrow missed their mark and ended up on all corners of the square target, yet none seemed to even get close to the center. At this point, I was getting extremely frustrated with myself. I mean, how hard could it be to get even one arrow in the yellow?

My coach, who had been watching me for a while came over and told me I needed to go back to the basics. He took my bow, and replaced it with a string bow, this exact one actually. (whips out string bow, it's actually just a piece of string, so no worries ☺) He told me sometimes, you just have to take a step back and start from the beginning with the basics. Alright, seemed easy enough. I took the string bow, went through the steps and “released” the arrow all the while wondering why I wasn't actually shooting. My coach stepped in again and told me to relax, just breathe, and to try going through the steps with him. One, stance. Two, nock arrow. Three, set draw hand. Four, set bow hand. Five, pre-draw. Six, draw. Seven, anchor. Eight, aim. Nine, shot set-up. And ten, release. Hmm, even my imaginary arrow wasn't hitting the target. My coach looked at me and said I was missing the most important step: step eleven, follow-through and reflect. He told me I had to take a moment to reflect on where my arrow had gone instead of where my next one will end up.

You see, when you're so focused on what's next and don't take the time to reflect on what is, you miss the target. You have to take a moment to reflect on where you're at, rather than where you think you should be. Look back at where you are, and don't worry about where the future arrow will land. It doesn't matter where the person in the next lane is shooting, what matters is what's in your lane right in front of you.

This past year serving as a state officer, I've spent my time not thinking about where my next challenge awaits or where my next arrow will land, but rather where my first arrow has taken me. I've had the opportunity to travel around the state and meet some awesome people from the chapters of Lakota, to Minot, to Lidgerwood. Looking back and reflecting on this year, I know that the people, the experiences, and the memories are ones that will stay with me long after my time in the blue jacket is over.

North Dakota FFA, take time to look back and reflect on where you were when you started the FFA, whether that was as a 7th grader, or a senior. Reflect on where you've been and what you've done. Reflect on the faces you've met and the friendships you have built. Reflect and look back because when you look forward, those people, those places, and those memories will help guide your next arrow. North Dakota FFA, remember the eleventh step, follow through, and reflect.

## **“Choose Happy”- Hannah Gress, State Treasurer**

My sister and I had traveled to the State Fair in Minot with my Aunt and Uncle for the day. We spent the day eating Fair Food, riding rides, and walking through all of the livestock barns. We were having so much fun. Before we left, Faith and I called our mom to tell her we were leaving and that we had bought her a bag of Kettle Corn because that was her favorite. We knew that when we got home it would be passed 9:00, so we took a little nap in the car like most kids do. Faith and I were so excited to tell mom about all the stuff we did that day, but when we got home, we were told mom wasn't feeling good and that we should just talk to her in the morning. Now, this didn't seem like a big deal at the time, since she has been sick before. So, I wasn't worried. I set her kettle corn down on the kitchen table and went to bed. Little did I know, that next morning, my brother would wake me to tell me that dad took our mom to the hospital in the middle of the night.

It was July 2010 when my mom had a stroke. I was only 11. I still needed my mom. At first, we weren't sure why she was in the hospital or how bad it was, but after receiving a call that day from our dad, we knew those next couple of days were going to be really hard. That call was my dad telling us to come to the hospital because mom was not doing well, and we needed to see her. This was the day my whole families' lives would change. We spent months in hospitals and care centers just trying to figure out how to move forward. At first, we heard bad news after bad news after bad news, but that news slowly changed into good news after good news. My mom is a fighter and she would never give up. We learned to take the bad times one step at a time. We learned to rejoice in the little things. We learned that no matter how bad things get, you can always find something to be happy about. You see, if we allow sadness, grief, disappointment, and anger to run in our lives, we cannot move forward. These act as setbacks and roadblocks in our lives. They only hinder our ability to achieve greatness. We can get so caught up in feeling sorry for ourselves that we forget to see the bigger picture. If we allow ourselves to always choose happy, only great things can happen. Nothing can stop us from succeeding in life. In a world where it is so easy to find a reason to be sad, mad, upset, angry, hurt, or to feel sorry for ourselves, be the person who is always able to find at least one reason to be happy, all it takes is one reason. As we start to change our mindset, it will become easier to turn one reason into two reasons and two reasons into three reasons. Happiness is a choice. Abraham Lincoln once said, "Folks are usually about as happy as they make their minds up to be." Let me say that again, "Folks are usually about as happy as they make their minds up to be." I believe there is some strong truth with in the statement. When my mom had her stroke, it would have been so easy for me to shut down and choose sadness, but after only a week of dealing with such a devastating experience, I knew that in order to push on, happiness would have to be the option. Everyone around me was always asking "How are you?", and after saying "fine," the common word we all to often use to hide our emotions, I began to realize how lucky I was. I had a family who loved me. I had a place to live. I had people going out of their way to make sure my siblings and I had everything we needed and more. Most importantly, I still had my mom. She is still very much a part of our lives. She still is my biggest role model. She will always support me in everything I do. Choosing happiness was not the easiest choice, but it was the best choice. If I did not choose happiness then, I would not be standing here today. Being able to choose happiness has allowed me to take what is dealt to me without disrupting my achievements. It has allowed to me to overcome situations that are not always easily surpassed. Being able to always find the happiness in any situation has allowed me to find what is really important in life, whether that be the people around me, the place I am in, or the God above me. I am not saying that I do not get upset, or sad, or angry at times, but when it comes to the end of the day, I choose to be happy with what I do have and where I am. Happiness is something we all deserve. There will be times where sadness, anger, disappointment, frustration and heartbreak overwhelm us, but we have to find happiness and work towards it in all situations. North Dakota FFA, I challenge you to always choose happy.

## **“Hopeful Anticipation”-Alicia Hellman, State Reporter**

**August 23rd, 2011** – Dear me, today was the first day of 6th grade. It was good, but there’s this new kid in class and I’m not so sure I like him. That’s okay though because all my other friends are still here.

My journey with life started just as anyone else’s – I played outside with friends, had lemonade stands in the summer, built snow forts in the winter, and got up for school every morning. Back in 2011, when I was only 12 years old, if you would have asked me what my future looked like I could have given you a well thought out plan outlining the upcoming years. I had the world in the palm of my hand, and nothing was going to stop me from living out my dreams. Even bad days were sure to end in laughter.

**October 18th, 2015** – Dear me, I feel distant. I feel like I know I’m here, but I just can’t seem to connect.

Something changed. Just 4 years earlier I had my whole life under control, so why was everything so different now? I went from being confident, and outgoing to self-conscious and closed in. You begin to see the difference a few years can make once you step back and look at the bigger picture. God took me to the darkest places I have ever been, but He also brought me to the highest peaks I’ve ever reached. He showed me this little word that has a strong impact, IF you can somehow wrap your head around it’s true meaning – hope.

**November 22nd, 2015** – I always hear songs that talk about hope, and how hope in God is what will get you through the day. When I hear these songs, I ask myself, “what is hope?” I spend so much time focusing on material hope that I don’t even know what real hope is. “I hope I did good on that test”, or “I hope I get the chance to talk to my friend today.” That’s what I put my hope in. But I get crushed every time things don’t work out.

The problem with placing our hope in other people is that we will always be let down. Even those we love, and trust the most will, at some point, let us down. I guarantee it. I want you all to know that there will come a time in your life when your only hope in rising above your circumstance lies within yourself. You have the ability to believe in hopeful anticipation that what lies ahead of you will be better than what is already behind you. You ARE an overcomer, and this attribute shines through your ability to remain joyful and hopeful in every circumstance. HOPEFUL ANTICIPATION

**December 17th, 2017** – Dear me, change is hard sometimes. One moment you can be 100% confident of this new plan you have made even though you know it will soon alter your life drastically. My plan to transfer colleges halfway through the year was one I was completely confident in. I knew this was God’s next step for me. I made that decision in September, and by the time December rolled around I became unsure. I was so comfortable with my current college. You see, the problem with being comfortable is that it allows you to second guess your decision to take a leap of faith. Being comfortable is easy.

In my opinion, change in your life will produce hope for what is next. But yet, we walk around thinking this is important and that is important, and that we’ll finally be happy IF this thing happens. But ND FFA Members - that’s not how happiness works! Because in life you WILL be disappointed. Maybe you came into state convention with goals of getting your first gold pin, but instead end up walking away as a bronze individual. That hurts, but I will be the first to tell you that this experience isn’t about the award! Maybe you’re in the same position I was in back in 2015 - unsure of where you belong, and without much hope for what lies ahead. And maybe it doesn’t seem like it now, but I know that each and every one of you are capable of taking full advantage of every situation that comes your way. Never let fallen expectations hold you back from being hopeful. You should always be influenced more by what you think about yourself than what others think of you. ND FFA, many of the circumstances we are given in life are anything but easy. But I challenge you face every situation with a joyful heart and hopeful anticipation.

## **“Perfectly Imperfect”-Abigail Volk, State Sentinel**



I can touch my tongue to my nose. I can wiggle my ears. I am very bad with a grill. I am a great listener, and I usually get jokes 10 seconds after everyone has stopped laughing. These are five things about me. Some are more appealing than others, but they are all a part of me. I like to think of myself as perfectly imperfect. I'm not talking about being imperfect as a bad thing, but rather just the opposite. I am perfectly flawed, which makes me, me.

Let's be honest with ourselves for a moment. We are all imperfect. We have our flaws. Most of the time we do not want to acknowledge them. But, why? Those imperfections make us who we are. I am not a great public speaker. I am not good at any sport. I am unconfident, shy, and insecure. That is me. When you are honest with yourself, you are able to embrace those things that you may not think are so flattering. You are able to be completely and totally yourself. When you start to believe that, your true selves are showed not only to yourself, but also to everyone around you.

Life is so much sweeter when you can really appreciate who you are. You also start to value others for who they are and treasure those features that make them different. Imperfections and all because we are all perfectly imperfect. I think a person is the most beautiful when they are effortlessly laughing and smiling. They do not have a care in the world. They are simply enjoying life. In that moment they truly themselves, and I think that is so beautiful.

I want to tell you something, and I hope you all come to believe it one day. Every single person in this room has a purpose in this world. I know that may sound cheesy, but I want you to think about the people in your life for a moment. Imagine if you never were born. Think about your best friend that would not have had you to get through that difficult time. What about your family? Your parents or siblings would not have you to teach and learn from. What about that small smile or comment that you made to a stranger that went farther than you know? Where would that person be right now? You have a place in this chaotic and confusing world, and by just being yourself, you have the skills to fill that purpose.

This past year has been a year to remember. From starting college to driving across the state for an FFA event, it has been crazy but extraordinarily amazing. I have grown so much this year and in ways that I do not completely understand. A lot of people have entered into my life that have helped me with that growth. I had a hard time being myself around them at first, solely because I thought they expected high standards of me. When in reality, I was the one putting those expectations on myself. They love me for the person I am. When I realized that, I was able to grow in the person that I am. I have become more confident of who I am and that I am where I am supposed to be. As I was looking for inspiration to write this speech, I turned to some notes that I wrote down throughout the year. What I found was a "Bucket List" that I started last November. Number seven on my bucket list reads, "Be yourself every single day, to yourself, to family, and everyone you encounter." I have always struggled with loving myself completely and allowing myself to be me. But, understanding that I am not perfect, gives me freedom to just be me.

I want all of you to realize that you are flawed, but embrace those flaws. Those are what shape you into the person that you are. North Dakota FFA, I challenge all of you to be perfectly imperfect.

## **“We’re all on the same boat”-Warren Swenson, State Parliamentarian**

I want to take you all on a little trip with me. To start this trip off we have to travel back in time to when I was in third grade. Since we have already broken the scientific law of time, lets teleport over to the southern state of South Dakota. I was living in Brookings, going to Medary Elementary and living the life. I was the star of my soccer team and started my short careers in t-ball and football. I had found my best friends and I was set on being a Brookings Bobcat in high school.

As my third grade year was coming to an end, I was preparing for the best summer yet full with sleepovers, birthday parties, and days spent at the pool, and the best part yet, I was going to be a fourth grader, the KINGS and QUEENS of the elementary school. As the final days of school came to an end I vividly remember eating supper with my brother and parents and getting the drastic news that we were moving to Beulah, North Dakota. Next thing I heard are the sobs from my brother across the table, he begged my parents to let us stay but the change was made, I was going to be a Beulah Miner. I didn’t know what to think, maybe I just didn’t believe what was happening. But I do remember being scared of all the new things.

So my summer passed by, then a week before school started, we made the move to North Dakota, unfamiliar surroundings surrounding me, 4th grade me didn’t know what to do when my mom dropped me off on my first day. As I walked onto the playground, new faces ranby filled with smiles as they were reunited friends. The bell rings and I went to my room with my new teacher Mr. Larson. Now Mr. Larson was a brand new teacher and was learning the same names and ways as I was. I remember him introducing me to the class and saying “Ren and I are in the same boat” This small thing he said changed my whole perspective on the new school and new faces. If my teacher and I are in the same boat, maybe this won’t be so bad. Maybe I could make it through this year and have a good time as a Beulah Miner. And to settle all of your worries to see if I survived, I did. :)

That little saying has stuck with me for the rest of my life. We are all on the same boat. No matter where you are, someone is there with you. Like right now, you are all on the same boat, you are here to compete at state convention and to meet new people and leave this week a better person than you were before.

We are all on the same boat, why not take some chances? Try something new, join that new sport, join that new extra-curricular. If you’re feeling nervous about it and not quite sure if taking that chance is a good idea, remember that someone else is on the same boat. If you were a 7th or 8th grader this past year stand up. Yes, stand up. You are all on the same boat, you are about to embark into the new territory of high school, it may seem scary and hard, but it’s going to work out. And remember that you are all on the same boat and can look to each other for support in these new times.

Now, freshman and sophomores stand up. After your first year or two in high school, you now know that it really isn’t that scary, but you still have a while to go, some of you are starting to think about your future after high school and that might seem scary but remember that you are all on the same boat.

Juniors, stand up. You are about to be the King and Queens of the high school. Now as you assume this role, you become a role model to everyone below you, so set a good example because you are affecting how those new freshman are going to see high school. Also, you are starting to plan your future to a more specific measure, That might seem like a big deal and scary but remember that you are all on the same boat.

Finally, seniors, stand up. This is it, for most all of you, this is your last day of state convention and FFA forever. Some of you are going to college in a couple months, and that might be really scary to some of you, but let me tell you as a first year survivor, its going to be okay because you are all in the same boat.

North Dakota FFA, changes are coming, whether you like it or not, but just remember that we are all on the same boat.