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## News Release

# OGDEN FFA CHAPTER WINS 2024 STATE FFA HORSE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The Ogden FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event held at Kirkwood Community College on June 11, 2024. Members of the first place team included: Rylee Ferwerda, Anna Wilson, Lydia Longhorn, and Brylie Hicks. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mrs. Katelyn Grein and Ms. Rachel Reicks. The Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Kayla Hoeger, Lacy Reth, and Tracy Reth. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Haylee Lau. Rylee Ferwerda, Ogden FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 33 chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide the student an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Equine Science. The 102 individual contestants evaluated halter and performance classes. They also answered questions over the classes and gave oral reasons to explain their placings. A written examination was included along with a team problem solving competition.

The Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event was made possible with support through the Iowa FFA Foundation Gold Standard Partners. The Horse Career Development Event was coordinated and held at the Iowa Equestrian Center in Cedar Rapids. Kirkwood Community College also provided lunch to all participants. The official judge was Mary Pohlmann from Truro.

Listed below are the top teams and individuals in the various parts of the career development event.

### Top 10 Teams

- 1 Ogden FFA Chapter
- 2 Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi
- 3 Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda
- 4 Central Community FFA Chapter at Elkader
- 5 Pella FFA Chapter
- 6 Springville-Lisbon FFA Chapter
- 7 Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming
- 8 Hinton FFA Chapter
- 9 New Hampton FFA Chapter
- 10 Interstate 35 FFA Chapter at Truro

### Top 10 Individuals

- Rylee Ferwerda, Ogden FFA Chapter  
Lacy Reth, Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi  
Anna Wilson, Ogden FFA Chapter  
Carly Manning, Springville-Lisbon FFA Chapter  
Staci Herman, Central Community FFA Chapter at Elkader  
Calysta Boussetot, Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming  
Tracy Reth, Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi  
Brodie Miller, Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda  
Katelyn Meyer, Pella FFA Chapter  
Lyndon Norton, Pella FFA Chapter

## **Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:**

### **Halter Classes**

Team: Ogden FFA Chapter

Individual: Rylee Ferwerda, Ogden FFA Chapter

### **Performance Classes**

Team: Interstate 35 FFA Chapter at Truro

Individual: Laura Reiste, Adel DeSoto Minburn FFA Chapter

### **Oral Reasons and Questions**

Team: Ogden FFA Chapter

Individual: Rylee Ferwerda, Ogden FFA Chapter

### **Problem Solving**

Team: Ogden FFA Chapter

## **Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.**

### **Gold Teams (12)**

#### Score Range (1443 to 1220)

Ogden FFA Chapter

Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi

Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda

Central Community FFA Chapter at Elkader

Pella FFA Chapter

Springville-Lisbon FFA Chapter

Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming

Hinton FFA Chapter

New Hampton FFA Chapter

Interstate 35 FFA Chapter at Truro

Ridge View FFA Chapter

Mediapolis FFA Chapter

### **Bronze Teams (8)**

#### Score Range (977 to 404)

Adel DeSoto Minburn FFA Chapter

Sioux Central FFA Chapter

North Mahaska FFA Chapter at New Sharon

Central Lee FFA Chapter at Donnellson

Alta-Aurelia FFA Chapter

Belmond-Klemme FFA Chapter

Clear Creek Amana FFA Chapter at Tiffin

Independence FFA Chapter

### **Silver Teams (13)**

#### Score Range (1198 to 1076)

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Atlantic FFA Chapter

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Clear Lake FFA Chapter

West Lyon FFA Chapter at Inwood

North Polk FFA Chapter at Alleman

Carroll Area FFA Chapter

MMCRU FFA Chapter at Marcus

Webster City FFA Chapter

Dike-New Hartford FFA Chapter

Hudson FFA Chapter

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter

Panorama FFA Chapter

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## **About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 20,000 student members as part of 263 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at [IowaFFA.com](http://IowaFFA.com) and on social media.