CATCH UP WITH KOOIMA



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STATE OFFICER UPDATE

WE MEET AGAIN!

HELLO SECTION SIX!

Three more amazing months have gone in the blink of an eye! It has been so much fun continuing to meet all of you rock star FFA members, advisors, and alumni across Wisconsin! We just wrapped up 2025 National FFA Week and District LDE's!

I continue to be reminded every day how powerful this organization can be as a young person trying to figure out the game of life. Every new member's success story, wise words of wisdom from advisors, and encouragement from alumni leaders keeps me looking forward to the future of member's lives, the industry of agriculture and the National FFA Organization!





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DISTRICT LDE'S REVIEW

See you in Waupun on March 10th!

DISTRICT 16

Creed Speaking

1) Etelka Feher

Waupun

2) Paige Zietlow

Berlin

Employment Skills

1) Hazil Zuttrop

Berlin

2) Betsy Gales

Ripon

Extemporaneous Speaking

1) Arpad Feher

Waupun

2) Jamie Damm

Columbus

Discussion Meet

1) Connor Kuhn

Waupun

2) Ashton Brusveen

R-C-F

Prepared Speaking

1) Oscar Stowell

Waupun

2) David Oft Markesan **Quiz Bowl**

1) Markesan 2

2) Markesan 1

<u>Parliamentary Procedure</u>

1) Columbus

2) Ripon

DISTRICT 17

Creed Speaking

1) Morgan Bittner

Fall River

2) Alexandria Miller

Poynette

Employment Skills

1) Katherine Hansen

Employment Skills

1) Khammi Alsum Wisconsin Dells

2) Natalie Detert

Portage

2) Blake Brancel

Portage

Extemporaneous Speaking

1) William Homman

Rio

2) Cecelia Tavs

Fall River

Discussion Meet

1) Josie Roberts

Portage

2) Emma Sampson

Fall River

Prepared Speaking

1) Georgia Nashold

Fall River

2) Josie Roberts

Portage

Quiz Bowl

1) Adams-Friendship

2) Portage

Parliamentary Procedure

1) Pardeeville

2) Poynette

DISTRICT 18

Creed Speaking

Discussion Meet

Wisconsin Dells

1) Maggie Tuttle

2) Riley Nickel

Baraboo

1) Sophia Horn

Mauston

2) Todd Day Mauston

Prepared Speaking

1) Mariah Schwartz

Lodi

Mauston

2) Allyson Kissack Wisconsin Dells **Extemporaneous Speaking**

1) Josie Varney

Lodi

2) Grace Carter

Baraboo

Quiz Bowl

Parliamentary Procedure

1) Lodi

1) Zodi

2) Sauk Prairie 2) Mauston

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay tuned!

F.I.R.E. Conference

Join us for F.I.R.E. Conference in Fennimore at SWTC! Offered February 27th and 28th, members in 5th through 9th grade will learn about FFA, Agriculture, and how they fit in!





Sectional LDE!

Hosted in the Prison City on March 10th! Make sure to keep practicing!

EDGE/Connect

Join us for EDGE/Connect Conference in Green Bay on March 21st and 22nd! For members in 6th - 10th grades, come learn how to become better leaders in your chapters and community!



STATE CONVENTION COUNTDOWN

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Days Till State Convention:

(Place Sticky Note with day number here)

UPCOMING DUE DATES

Make sure to keep these on your calendar!

March 3rd - State Degree Application, Final Supplemental Membership Rosters, State Honorary Degree, and Distinguished Service Nomination March 14th - WI FFA Foundation Scholarship March 15th - NextGen Agricultural Education Conference Application and Blue Jacket Legacy Applications April 15th - WLC Travel Assitance Grants April 16th - Middle School Essays April 22nd - National Chapter, Three Star Leader, and State FFA Talent Applications

April 25th - State Officer Applications

May 1st - Food for America and Public Relations Team

Applications

May 9th - Agriscience Fair Written Applications

May 15th - NextGen Environmental Science & Natural

Resources and Courtesy Corps Applications

NOMINATIONS OPEN

Do you know of an advisor, member, student, colleague or friend that is worthy of recognition because of their commitment inside and out of the FFA?

Nominate them below!



Teacher Appreciation



Member of the Month



Service Project



Blue Jacket Legacy

OTHER **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WI FFA CDE UPDATES

REGIONAL CDE DATES

Mid-State Tech- March 18 UW-Platteville- March 20 Fox Valley Tech- March 28 UW-River Falls- April 5

STATE CDE DAY 1: APRIL 11 STATE CDE DAY 2: APRIL 25 MADISON COLLEGE AREA

Ag Communications Ag Mechanics - Q Ag Sales Environmental Science Food Science Horse Evaluation - O Middle School

Q= Team must Qualify at a

UW-MADISON AREA

Agronomy-Q Vet Science - Q

Livestock - Q Wildlife - Q

Dairy Cattle -Q

Floriculture - Q

Farm Business Management - Q Nursery Landscape

MIDDLE SCHOOL STATE CDE

There will be a Middle School CDE hosted at State CDEs on Friday, April 11. This is open to 7th and 8th grade members.

Be sure to check the Middle School CDEs webpage often for updates as CDE season approaches.

https://wisconsinaged.org/mscde

AUCTIONEER CDE

Registration for the Auctioneer CDE is now open! This is an individual event held on Monday, January 27 in Marshfield. Registration is limited to the first 15 contestants.

Further information on the event can be found at:

https://wisconsinaged.org/ auctioneer

MEATS TEAM REGISTRATION INCREASE

As you plan your budgets for the year, please note that the cost of the State Meats Contest will be \$150 per team. This is due to the increasing cost of resources required to host the contest.





2025 STATE FOOD SCIENCE MATERIALS NOW AVAILABLE

Information on the 2025 State Food Science CDE is now available on the CDE Website. This year's superintendent, Kerry Ingredients, has selected a really fun team activity scenario: Create a NEW Savory On The Go Menu Item for Starbucks. This could be a great activity to implement into a Food Science course to help generate interest in the contest! Check out the website for further details on the contest.

https://wisconsinaged.org/fst

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of the Month!



December
Samantha
Johnson
Baraboo FFA

January Oscar Stowell Waupun Area FFA





February
Lily Collien
Oakfield FFA

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

HUMBLE LEADERS

energized by the responsibility of shaping the future one student at a time.



NAAE #TeachAg Ambassadors want to connect with you about becoming an agricultural educator.

- The 2024-25 class of #TeachAg Ambassadors are passionate about agricultural education and want to encourage others to consider a career in
- They have received training and lessons to use at local, university, and state levels.
- You can connect with them on a one-on-one basis or schedule them for a #TeachAg recruitment event.

Find a current Ambassador by clicking on the #TeachAg link at the top of www.naae.org.





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