

Eufaula FFA News Article

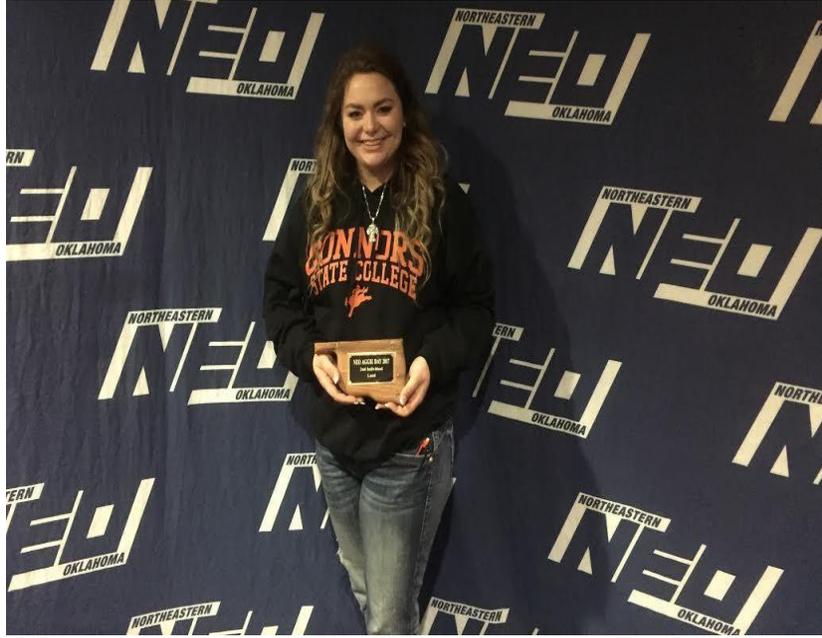
The Eufaula FFA would like to recognize a few of its members in having great success in their CDE competitions and scholarship opportunities. These students have competed against schools all across the state in their field of knowledge.



Above is **Matt Whelan** Eufaula FFA President accepting an Oklahoma Youth Expo Scholarship at the OYE show in Oklahoma City. The chapter is very proud of Matt for his hard work in earning this award. Matt also was selected as the Morris PI candidate for State Star Farmer which qualified him for the district contest. Matt has also made it to the state finals in the SAE Proficiency Award application area which means he has one of the best swine production operations in the state of Oklahoma. Matt will also be receiving his State FFA Degree at state convention.



Eufaula FFA has been busy competing this spring. We started out at the Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton Oklahoma where the Land Judging team placed 4th overall. Here the Eufaula FFA was very excited to have two teams competing in the land and range judging contests at NEO College in Miami, OK. In Land Judging Eufaula placed 3rd overall team and Range judging Eufaula placed 4th overall team. FFA members from left to right: **Connor Excell, Zack Dozier, Rylee Battles, Sadie Plowman, Orlando Crabtree, Alex Parker, Caton Skaggs, and Falisha Ary.**



Rylee Battles finished 2nd High Individual in the Land contest at NEO.



The Eufaula FFA had several teams competing in the FFA interscholastics contests at Murray State College in Tishomingo, OK. Teams included Land, Livestock, Range, and Agriculture Communications. The Land Judging team placed 6th overall and above is the Agriculture Communications team finishing 3rd overall. Team members include **Nicole Farrow**, **Baylee Heflin**, **Laura VanCleave**, and **Samantha Stevenson**.



The Rangeland team finished 2nd overall at Murray State College with Orlando Crabtree finishing 4th high individual. Team consisted of **Orlando Crabtree and Alex Parker**. Also finishing 6th place overall was the Eufaula FFA Land Judging team.



The Eufaula FFA represented itself with success at the Connors State College Aggie Days Competition. The Chapter had several teams compete in this event. Teams included Land Judging, Livestock Judging, and Agriculture Communications. Above is the Land judging team who finished 4th overall. Members in this picture are **Dawson Heflin, Connor Excell, Zack Dozier, and Christian Nester**.



The Agriculture communications team finished 1st overall at the Connors with Team Members Laura VanCleave Winning 1st high individual overall and Samantha Stevenson finishing 2nd overall individual. The chapter is very pleased to announce that Laura VanCleave received a tuition waiver scholarship up to four semesters to Connors for winning first in the competition. Team members include **Samantha Stevenson, Nicole Farrow, and Laura VanCleave.**



Eufaula FFA had a team to compete in the shooting competition at Connors State College last Thursday April 13th. This CDE event consists of sporting clay shoot and trap shooting. This is a strong competition for the chapter attracting a lot of members. The Shooting team did very well in their competition, winning 2nd place in the skeet and trap shooting competitions and 2nd place overall team. The chapter had some outstanding individuals in this competition; Clay Henley was 1st high individual overall in the skeet shooting contest. Team members consisted of **Clay Henly, Jacob Rippy, Jaden Hoffmann, Kaden Farrow, Griffin Henley, Payton Crawley, and Tala Joiner.**



The Eufaula FFA chapter is very proud of all their members who competed in these competitions in giving their hard work and dedication to education and skills. The Eufaula FFA is proud of all the members who have earned scholarships and awards in their fields of study. Still to come is the Oklahoma state FFA Convention. There we will have many students earning state awards in many different areas. The Chapter has had a great year and looking forward to wrapping up in success.

The annual Eufaula FFA Banquet and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday May 9th at the High School Auditorium. Kick off time will be 6 p.m.