# Firebaugh FFA 2015-2016



Oh The Places We'll Go...

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#### Introduction

The FFA Organization is an organization cultivated for the members and their studying of agriculture in public secondary schools justified under the provision of the Vocational Education Act of 1917. The National FFA Organization envisions a future in which all agricultural education students will discover their passion in life and build towards that aspiration to forge a path of success for their career and personal future.

As a crucial part of agriculture education in the secondary school system, the FFA has become the largest and most successful high school organizations in the nation. No other national student organization enjoys greater freedom of self-government under adult council and guidance than the FFA. Organized in November 1928, it has grown to serve thousands of communities nationwide and gain a membership of 575,000 members.

The FFA is an agricultural youth organization, designed to take its place by advocating for agriculture, in addition it strives for the development of leadership, the advancement of agricultural technology, and the improvement in agricultural life. The foundation upon it was founded the FFA drives for student success whether it be through achieving personal growth, developing premier leadership skills, and career success.

The Firebaugh FFA chapter was created in 1976 with an original size of 14 members and one advisor. Now, it has over 600 members with five fully devoted ag teachers, all of students have access to endless opportunities for the betterment of themselves and to gain skills that would have been impossible to gain without the FFA.

#### Officers' Message

Welcome back FFA Members. We hope that you enjoyed your summer vacation! During this time the 2015-2016 Chapter Officer Team worked hard to prepare a fun, exciting, and successful school year in the Firebaugh FFA. First things first, we would like to welcome all the newly enrolled Greenhands who have joined this outstanding chapter.

This year's theme is: Oh The Places We'll Go! We hope that this theme will inspire you to lead in the things you want in your life and your experiences in the FFA!

We, the Chapter Officer Team, challenge you, our fellow FFA members, to be involved and just jump in, and to get the most you possibly can out of the FFA. During these next nine months, you will create memories that will last a lifetime, and might even change your life. As a whole, this year promises to be a fun and exciting year, and we look forward to spending it with you. Many of the traditions that returning members have come to enjoy will be carried on; along with many new, fun, and exciting events. You, our members, are the key to making these events a great success, and we hope to see you there. The time is now, and we hope you will embark on this journey and make this upcoming year a huge success!

Your 2015-2016 Chapter Officer Team: Gracie, Mayte, Austin, Yadira, Dave, Mackenzie, Paola, Rocio

#### Advisor's Message

Welcome to a new and exciting year at the Firebaugh High School Agriculture Department. Ms. Smith, Mr. Torres, Ms. Goeb, Mrs. Correia & Mr. Lieb look forward to continuing the long tradition of success and hope that each and every one of you will become an involved member of our exciting program!

Our curriculum is on the cutting edge and our facilities are ones we are proud of and compliment our already highly successful FFA Chapter. It is our hope to offer curriculum to our students that will provide them the opportunity to learn more about agriculture and science technologies while receiving credits to graduate and get into college. With these goals in mind we are continuing to offer our Earth Science in Ag, Agriculture Biology and Agriculture Chemistry courses to our students. We are very proud to say that *all* of our science courses count for Firebaugh High School graduation credits, as well as admission credits for the University of California system.

The officer team has set the theme for the coming year: Oh The Places We'll Go. As advisors, we feel that individual student growth, both personally and professionally, is the number one most important element our department can offer each member. In order for this growth to occur we will provide many different opportunities for student involvement throughout the year. The Program of Activities can be used as a guide, outlining the variety of opportunities students can become involved with in our outstanding FFA chapter. Student involvement is the key to success for a powerful Agriculture program. The success of your Agriculture department is almost entirely dependent upon your involvement and your desire to do the very best you can do.

Sincerely, Stephanie, Kate, Manuel, Erica, and Gene

#### FFA Mission & Strategies

"FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of others by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education."

To accomplish this mission, we the FFA will:

- 1. Develop a competent and assertive agricultural leadership program.
- 2. Increase awareness of global and technological importance of agricultural and its contribution to our well being.
- 3. Strengthen the confidence of agricultural students in themselves and their work.
- 4. Promote the intelligent choice and establishment of an agricultural career.
- 5. Encourage wise management of the economic, environmental, and human resources of the community.
- 6. Encourage achievement in the supervised occupational experience programs.
- 7. Develop interpersonal skills in teamwork, communication, and human relations.
- 8. Build character, promote citizenship, volunteerism, and patriotism in our students and community.
- 9. Promote cooperation and cooperative attitudes among all people.
- 10. Promote healthy lifestyles.
- 11. Encourage excellence in scholarship.
- 12. Develop student responsibility and accountability among members

#### Firebaugh Agriculture Program Objectives

- Create and maintain a program that has all four pathways for students to develop their agricultural skills.
- Develop quality student supervised agricultural experience projects.
- Maintain a school farm for members to house projects and use as a learning facility for courses.
- Provide members with opportunities to be involved in a variety of CDE teams.

#### Firebaugh FFA Chapter Objectives

This year the chapter officers chose five goals to focus on in order to improve the chapter and make this year more opportunistic for the members.

#### This year's goals are:

- 1. Have 35 members actively participate in a Career Development Event at State Finals and have at least five members place at the state level.
- 2. Have two joint officer team meetings with neighboring chapters, to show that the FFA is limitless.
- 3. Have at least five students run for office above the chapter level.
- 4. Create three new experiences for the members to be involved at the chapter level and working to ensure that at every chapter meeting we have at least 100 members in attendance.
- 5. Add three new community service projects to the chapter. One for the chapter officers to plan and participate and two for the members as a whole to participate.

### National FFA History

The passage of the Smith-Hughes Vocational Education Act in 1917 not only provided federal funds to states for high school courses in vocational education (agriculture, family and consumer sciences, and trades and industries) – but it also led to the idea for an organization that is known today as the National FFA Organization.

In the early 1920s, just a few years after the Smith-Hughes Act was enacted, Virginia formed a Future Farmers of Virginia club for boys in agriculture classes. Other states soon followed Virginia's lead and formed their own Future Farmers organizations. The next logical next step was to create a national organization to bring together all of the state organizations.

In 1928, a group of vocational agriculture students were in Kansas City, Mo., for the third annual National Congress of Vocational Agriculture Students, which was held during the American Royal Livestock and Horse Show. On Nov. 20, 33 of those students from 18 states met at the Baltimore Hotel in Kansas City and formed the Future Farmers of America (FFA).

FFA was for young men who were studying vocational agriculture in public secondary schools, and the new organization was designed to develop agricultural leadership, character, thrift, scholarship, cooperation, citizenship and patriotism.

The organization was structured on three levels – local, state and national – with students starting their FFA experience by joining a local chapter at their school, where the agriculture teacher serves as the chapter advisor. As part of the larger program that is now called agricultural education, FFA members are encouraged to participate in all three components of the program: (1) classroom/laboratory work (through enrollment in agriculture classes); (2) membership in FFA; and (3) hands-on work experience through the supervised agricultural experience (SAE) program.

Each FFA chapter develops and follows an annual program of activities, and all members share in planning the program and participate in its execution. Through their participation, members learn how to take part in meetings, follow parliamentary procedure, speak in public and cooperate with their fellow students.

Student officers are elected on each level to lead the organization's activities, and FFA members receive recognition for their achievements through competition and award programs. The annual national convention offers FFA members an opportunity to come together from across the country and celebrate their accomplishments over the past year.

By 1935, FFA membership had topped 100,000 with more than 3,900 chapters in 47 states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. That same year, the New Farmers of America was established to provide leadership opportunities to African-American students enrolled in vocational education classes.

Land was purchased in Alexandria, Va., for the National FFA Headquarters in 1939, and in 1944, the National FFA Foundation was created to raise funds from business and industry to help support the many new programs being developed for the growing FFA membership. In 1950, Public Law 740 was passed by the U.S. Congress, granting FFA a federal charter and requiring that a U.S. Department of Education staff member be the national FFA advisor.

FFA membership took a leap in 1965 when 58,000 members of the New Farmers of America merged with the Future Farmers of America. This followed an act of Congress that prohibited segregation in public schools. Four years later, delegates at the 1969 National FFA Convention voted to allow women to be members of the FFA.

In 1976, Alaska became the 50th state to obtain a state charter. An all-time membership high was recorded in 1977, with 509,735 members in 8,148 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

By the 1980s, the Future Farmers of America had become more than an organization for rural farm students. In 1988, the delegates at the 61st National FFA Convention voted to change the organization's official name from Future Farmers of America to the National FFA Organization. This change was made to recognize that FFA is not only for those interested in farming, but it is also for those with more diverse interests in the industry of agriculture, encompassing science, business and technology in addition to production farming.

The late 1990s marked a period of location changes for the National FFA Organization. The National FFA Center was moved from Alexandria, Va., to Indianapolis, Ind., where a new building was dedicated on July 20, 1998. And after 70 years in the same city, the national FFA convention was held for the last time in Kansas City, Mo., in 1998. The 72nd National FFA Convention in 1999 moved to Louisville, Ky., where it remained for seven years; in 2006, the national FFA convention moved to Indianapolis. Attendance at the national convention reached an all-time high in 2008 when 54,731 FFA members, advisors and supporters came to Indianapolis for the 81st National FFA Convention.

Over the years, FFA has shown the value it places on service to country and community. This was never more evident than in 2005. Following Hurricane Katrina, the National FFA Organization raised more than \$835,000 through their Seeds of Hope

campaign to help FFA members, chapters and agricultural education facilities affected by the hurricane.

Today, the National FFA Organization is a premier youth leadership organization with 507,753 members in 7,439 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. 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 FFA Emblem

The National FFA emblem consists of five symbols is representative of the history, goals and future of the organization. As a whole the emblem covers a broad spectrum of FFA and agriculture. Each element within the emblem has unique significance. They are as follows:

#### THE CROSS SECTION OF THE EAR OF CORN:

Provides the foundation of the emblem, just as corn has historically served as the foundation crop of American agriculture. It is also a symbol unity, as corn is grown in every state of this nation.

#### THE RISING SUN

Signifies progress and holds a promise that tomorrow will bring a new day glowing with opportunity.

#### THE PLOW

Signifies labor and tillage of the soil, the backbone of agriculture and the historic foundation of our country's strength.

#### THE EAGLE

Is a national symbol, which serves as a reminder of our freedom and ability to explore new horizons for the future of agriculture.

#### THE OWL

Long recognized for its wisdom, symbolizes the knowledge required to be successful in the agriculture industry.

The words Agriculture Education and FFA are emblazoned in the center to signify the combination of learning and leadership necessary for progressive agriculture.



### National FFA Colors

As the blue field of our nation's flag and the golden fields of ripened corn unify our country, the FFA colors of "NATIONAL BLUE and CORN GOLD" give unity to the organization. All FFA members, functions and paraphernalia should proudly display these colors.



National Blue

Corn Gold

#### **National FFA Motto**

The FFA motto gives members twelve short words to live by as they discover the opportunities available in the organization.

Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

#### The FFA Creed

The creed was written by Erwin Milton Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. It was revised at the 38th Convention and the 63rd Convention.

I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deedsachievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so - for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task

### June 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Officer Work — Day- Firebaugh High School	16	17 Officer Retreat- Shaver Lake —	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
CATA Conference- — San Luis Obispo	1			<b>→</b>		
28	29	30				

### July 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 NLCSO- Utah —	2	3	4 Independence Day
5	6 ROLC ———	7	8	9	10 State Fair Livestock ———	11
12 State Fair Livestock	13	14	15	16	17 State Fair Dairy -	Regional Officer Meeting
19 State Fair Dairy	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 SOLC- Visalia —	<b>→</b>

### August 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 SOLC- Visalia
2	3	4 Round-up Shirt/Sweatshirt Sales- Begin	5	6	7	8
9 SJR Officer Meeting	10 FFA Welcome Back BBQ	11 First Day of School	12	13 SJR Boot Camp- San Luis Obispo	14	15
16 SJR Boot Camp- San Luis Obispo	17 Greenhand Office Applications- Out	18 Greenhand Ice Cream Social	19 FFA/Boosters Meeting- 6pm	20	21	22 SV COLC/CATA- Shafter
23	24 Bingo Ticket Sales- Start	25	26 E/WFM COLC/CATA	27	28 Greenhand Office Applications-	29 Madera Pre- Fair- Firebaugh
30	31				Due	

### September 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Greenhand Officer Interview State Staff Meeting	2 FFA/Booster Meeting	3	4	5 KI COLC/CATA- Kern Valley 9am
6	7 Labor Day	8	9	10 Madera County Fair	11	12
13 Madera County Fair	14 Greenhand Leadership Conference Applications- Out	15 Bingo Pre-Sale Tickets- End	16	17 Firebaugh FFA Bingo- 6pm (Rodeo Grounds)	18	19
20	21 State FFA Exec., Adv., and Adult Board Meeting	22 National Del Train	23 TK COLC- Mt. El Diamante- 4pm	24 Madera Cotton	25	26 sq colc
27	28	29	30 Drive Thru Dinner Ticket Sales-Begin			

#### October 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Greenhand Leadership Applications- Due	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			FFA/Boosters Meeting- 6pm	FFA Drive Thru Dinner Ticket Sales- End		Fresno State Football Regional Officer Meeting- Fresno
11	12 Firebaugh FFA/Boosters Flamingo Flocking- (10/12-30)	13 Halloween Grams Sales- Start	14	15 FFA Drive Thru Dinner- FMS 4pm	16	17 Corcoran Cotton- 8:30am
18	19	20	21 GHC- Fresno	22	23	24 MJC Cotton
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Delegate Trip —	Halloween Gram Sales- End	National ———— Convention		Halloween Grams- Delivered	Halloween

#### November 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Canned Food Drive & Turkey Ticket Sales- Begin	3 State and National Scholarship Applications- Begin	4 FFA/Booster Meeting- 6pm	5 Hanford Cotton	6	7 Cotton State Finals Pheasant Hunt Natural Resources- Reedley MC 8am
8	9 Pie Sales- Start	10 Baked Potato Sale Regional- First Year Activity	.11	12	13 SJR Road Show- Tenaya Lodge	14 SJR CATA Meeting- Tenaya Lodge
15	16 State Conference Applications for SLE, Band, Choir, Talent, & Committee Applications- Begin	17 Baked Potato Sale Greenhand/ Chapter FFA Banquet	18 WFM O/C- Madera South 5pm Canned Food Drive & Turkey Ticket Sales- End	19 New Prof. Conf. –	20 Pie Sales- End	21 West Hills College FD
22	23 Outstanding/ Superior Chapter Application- Begin (11/23-24)	24	25 Pie Pass Out	<b>26</b> Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30 Christmas Wreath Sale- Begin MFE/ALA Application- Out Regional Officer Application-1 <sup>st</sup> Review					

### December 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Firebaugh FFA Toy Drive- Begins	2 FFA/Booster Meeting- 6pm	3	4	5 Natural Resources- Mariposa
6	7 Greenhand Officers Ornagram Sales- Begin	8 Regional Office Applications- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Review	9 Christmas Tree Lane Trip- 4:30pm Fresno	10	11 MFE/ALA Applications- Due	12 Citrus- Golden West Natural Resources- Clovis Regional Officer Meeting
13	14 Finalize all State Conference Applications	15 Greenhand Officers Ornagram Sales- End	16 Firebaugh FFA Toy Drive- Ends Regional Office Applications- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Review	17 Greenhand Officers Ornagrams- Delivered	18 Wreath Sales- End	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31		

### January 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
# W 291 W			2		1 New Year's Day	2
3	4 Star Supporting Admin, Counselor, Advisor Application- Begin (1/4-6)	5 State Staff Meeting	6	7 State Degree Work Day —— (1/7-8)	8	9 Vine Pruning- Fowler Natural Resources- Minarets
10	11 Mock Interview for Regional Office Candidates- Begin (4pm 1/11-15)	12 Regional Office Applications- Final Review	13	14	15	16 Vine Pruning- Dinuba Tree Pruning- Reedley
17	18 MLK Day All Star Applications- Due All Chapter Awards- Due	19	20 WFM BIG/Banking- Central West 5pm	21	22 SJR Officer Applications- Due	23 Natural Resources Finals- Reedley College Citrus- Hanford
24	25	26	27 E/WFM Record/Prof Kingsburg 4pm	28	29	30 Citrus- Tulare Parli. Pro./Creed- Minarets

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### February 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Mentor Teacher Conf. ————— State FFA Exec./Adv. Meeting	2	3 FFA/Booster Meeting- 6pm	4 Local Speaking Contest- FHS Spm	5	6 Winter State Finals Arbuckle FD Parli. Pro Modesto
7	8 SJR Proficiency Scoring	9 World Ag Expo	10  WFM  Manuscripts Due	11 	Chico Parli-Pro Finalize POA & Scrapbook	13
14	15	16	E/WFM Co- Ops- Laton 5pm	18	MFE/ALA- Visalia SJR Officer Screening	20 >
21	22	23	24 WFM Speaking Contest 4pm	25	26	27 SJR FFA/CATA Meeting Tulare
28	29 Donkey Basketball State Conference Applications- Our					

#### March 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		State Prof Scoring Bakersfield 9am State Officer Candidate Pre- Screening Test- Bakersfield	State Prof Scoring- Galt 9am FFA/Boosters Meeting- 6pm	State RB Scoring- Galt 9am	UC Davis Parli Pro	UC Davis FD West Hills FD Western Dairy Show
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Start Getting Students to sign- up for State Degree Banquet	SLE- Sacramento —				Chico State Field Day
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		8			SJR Speaking Finals-COS Tulare	Merced College Field Day Dinuba Vet Sci Contest
						A Night In Vegas 3
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Spring Break					<b>→</b>
27	28	29	30	31		_ = x ×== =
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### April 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1			1 SJR Parli Pro-	2 MJC FD
	i i				COS Tulare	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Local Scholarship		FFA/Booster	E/WFM State Degree		CRC FD/Ag Sales
	Application Out American Degree Prep		Meeting- 6pm	Banquet- Fresno Fair Grounds		Cal Poly Pomona FD
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Begin WFM Sectional Officer Applications					Reedley College FD
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Complete WFM Sectional Officer Applications		State Speaking Finals State FFA Exec Mt.	State Parli Pro Scholarship Applications Due	Fresno State FD Clovis Welding State Conference
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
State Conference		<b></b>	WFM Officer	Finalize ALL American Degree Applications		Madera Floral Hanford FD
			Apps Due			

### May 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	WFM Officer Screening		FFA/Booster Meeting 6pm			State Finals-Cal Poly
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Mother's Day				E/WFM CATA Planning/FFA Off Elect- Kingsburg 4:30pm	Begin National Delegate Application	Firebaugh Pre- Fair Chowchilla
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Chowchilla Fair Set-up	Chowchilla Fair					<b>→</b>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Chowchilla Fair		American Degree Scoring-Tulare	End of Year Banquet			
29	30	31				
	Memorial Day					
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#### June 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 SJR FFA Officer Retreat-Morro Bay	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
CATA Governing Board	CATA Conference- SLO	^			<b></b>	
26	27	28	29	30	de les	10 0

#### Firebaugh FFA History

The Firebaugh FFA Chapter was started in 1976, when Firebaugh High School was officially opened in Firebaugh, California. Prior to 1976 all students attended the neighboring town's high school in Dos Palos and were a part of their FFA program. Starting an agriculture department was a priority for the people of Firebaugh. With so many students involved in the agriculture industry it only seemed natural that a program would succeed.

When the agriculture department opened their door they were lead by one FFA Advisor, Mr. Hansen. He taught a variety of courses and was the advisor for all specie projects. The chapter elected its first Chapter President, Barbara Fulbright. In its first year the chapter had a total of 14 members, one advisor and 6 courses. With an officer team in place the chapter applied for and was granted an official charter on September 1, 1976.

Through the years the department has grown exponentially and is the largest organization on campus. As of 2014 the chapter has grown to have over 650 members, over 90% of the school. The department is lead by five agriculture teachers who teach a variety of agriculture courses including leadership, science, mechanics, welding, ornamental horticulture, animal science, government and economics. The members of the chapter have more opportunities available to them than ever before. The members participate in conferences all across California and the Nation, over 20 SAE projects, 15 CDE teams, speaking contests and leadership opportunities.

### Firebaugh FFA Budget

Expenses	
Event/Item	Price
Meeting Supplies	\$500.00
Scrapbook	\$250.00
Conferences	
National Convention	\$17,500.00
National FFA Week	\$600.00
Banquets	
Greenhand Banquet	
Awards	\$200.00
Food	\$300.00
Decorations	\$100.00
Spring Banquet	
Awards	\$1,000.00
Food	\$750.00
Decorations	\$150.00
Ag Awareness Day	\$250.00
Officer Retreat	\$1,500.00
Apparel	
T-Shirts	\$2,000.00
Sweatshirts	\$1,500.00
Officer Shirts	\$400.00
Top 20 Trip	\$1,000.00
State Degree Dinner	\$1,500.00
FFA Jackets	\$2,000.00
Blackbeards	\$400.00
Opening/Closing Contest	\$100.00
Sectional Opening/Closing Contest	\$400.00
Drive Up Dinner	\$2,500.00
Spring Regional Meeting	\$100.00
Sectional Speaking	\$200.00
Sectional CoOps	\$25.00
Sectional BIG/Banking	\$150.00
John's Incredible Pizza	\$600.00
Ag Night Football- Fresno State	\$1,000.00
San Joaquin Region Boot Camp	\$300.00
Chapter Officer Leadership Conference	\$200.00
Total Expenses	\$39,725.00

### Firebaugh FFA Budget

Income	
Event/Item	Price
National FFA Week	\$400.00
Drive Up Dinners	\$4,000.00
Banquet Donations	\$2,500.00
Apparel	
T-Shirts	\$3,000.00
Sweatshirts	\$1,750.00
FFA Jackets	\$4,000.00
Ornagrams	\$200.00
State Degree Dinner	\$2,000.00
Parent Club Donations	\$12,000.00
Candy/Snack Sale	\$2,000.00
Blackbeards	\$650.00
John's Incredible Pizza	\$700.00
AG Night Football- Fresno State	\$900.00
MFE/ALA	\$600.00
State Conference	\$1,200.00
National Convention	
Drive Thru Dinner	\$4,000.00
Student Payments	\$5,000.00
Bingo	\$2,000.00
Placemat Ad Sales	\$5,000.00
Donations	\$4,000.00
Total Income:	\$54,820.00

### Firebaugh FFA Advisors

Stephanie Goeb

**Department Head** 

Gene Lieb

FFA Advisor

Katlyn Smith

Teacher

Erica Correia

**Teacher** 

**Manuel Torres** 

Teacher



From left to right: Ms. Smith, Mr. Lieb, Ms. Goeb, Mr, Torres, and Mrs. Correia

### Firebaugh High School Administration

**Terry Anderson** 

**Anthony Catalan** 

**David Rossette** 

Elizabeth Lopez

Lizette Jacobo

Principal

Learning/Activities Director

Learning/Athletics Director

Learning Director/Counselor

Counselor

# Firebaugh Agriculture Department Advisory Committee

Our Ag advisory committee members support our department and FFA chapter without hesitation. We know that we can always count on you to provide us with tremendous help and great advice. Thank you for your time, effort and support we would not be the FFA chapter we are today without you and your guidance.

#### **Advisory Chairman**

Mr. Pat Ward

#### **Committee Members**

Mr. Chris Cardella

Mr. BJ Diedrich

Mr. Brian Majorino

Mr. Garrek Stuhr

Mr. Ted Crockett

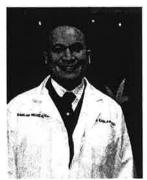
# Firebaugh Las Deltas School District Board of Trustees



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Left to Right: Dae Ramirez, Jacqulin Tinoco, Nicholas Speakes, Jenny Vasquez, Eliberto Rivera, Samantha Ramos, Jesus Velasquez, and Thaliyah Sosa

### Firebaugh Chapter Officers



#### Chapter President - Graciela Martinez

SAE: Market steers and Market Goat

Judging Team: Ag Welding

Goals for the chapter: My goal for this year is to help our chapter grow and become the best it has ever been.



#### Chapter Vice President - Austin La Salle



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Judging Team: Farm Records, Banking, Cotton judging, Marketing, and Prepared Public Speaking

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#### Chapter Secretary - Yadira Valencia



SAE: Market Turkey

Judging Team: Cotton Judging

Goals for the chapter: I would like to see more diversity in the activities the chapter provides for the members.



Chapter Treasurer – Dave Vickery

SAE: Market Lambs

Judging Team: Floral, Prepared Public Speaking, and Cotton Judging

Goals for the chapter: My goal is for the average chapter member to

participate more and to have fun with everything they do.



Chapter Reporter – Paola Gonzalez

SAE: Market Lambs

Judging Team: Cotton judging, Job Interview, and Marketing

Goals for the chapter: I would like to see more members involved in

the chapter and excited about FFA.



Chapter Sentinel – Mackenzie Demmers

SAE: Rabbits and Swine

Judging Team: Floral and Extemporaneous Speaking

Goals for the chapter: My goals as Chapter Sentinel is to invite more people into our chapter with a very warm welcome. I also would like to build up our chapter to the best it has ever been and

leave a good legacy for the future years to come.



Chapter Historian – Rocio Berber

SAE: Market Turkey

Judging Team: Cotton judging and Farm Records

Goals for the chapter: My goal for the chapter is to have members try new things the FFA has to offer. Most importantly I want this chapter to have a successful year full of achievements so next year we have higher goals.

### 2015-2016 West Fresno-Madera Sectional Officers

Name

### **Position**

President

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Reporter Sentinel

Sigifredo Valladares

Calli Freeman

Clayton Freeman

Demme Marical

Yadira Valencia

Mayte Magallon

Amelia Antuna

**Home Chapter** 

Kerman

Fresno-Central

Madera

Madera

Firebaugh

Firebaugh

Laton



## Theme- It Starts With You!

## 2015-2016 San Joaquin Regional Officers

### **Position**

**President** 

Vice - President EF/ M

Vice - President WF/M

Vice - President SEQ.

Vice - President T/K

Vice - President K/I

Vice - President South Valley

Secretary

**Treasurer** 

Reporter

Sentinel

Advisor

#### Name

Austin LaSalle

Shyann Mattes

Morgan Barrett

Rebecca Duran

Cameron Standbridge

Ethan Francis

Jonathan Arevalo

Kelsey Swall

Josh Finke

Nitin Gupta

**Brent Oge** 

Charles Parker

### **Home Chapter**

Firebaugh

Minarets

Kerman

Tulare

Hanford

North

Paramont

Tulare

Reedley-MC

Tulare

Kingsburg



### 2015-2016 California State Officers

#### **Position**

President

Vice - President

Secretary

Treasurer

Reporter

Sentinel

Advisor

#### Name

Joelle Lewis

Sydney Sosa

Breanna Holbert

**Trevor Autry** 

Danielle Diele

Tim Turax

Dr. Lloyd McCabe

### **Home Chapter**

San Luis Obispo

Tulare

Tokay-Lodi

Nipomo

Golden Valley

Pitman



### 2015-2016 National Officers

### Position President

Secretary
Central Region Vice President
Eastern Region Vice President
Southern Region Vice President
Western Region Vice President

Advisor

#### Name

Taylor McNeel Nick Baker Abby Gretsch Abrah Meyer Sydney Snider Sarah Draper Steve A. Brown **Home State** 

Arkansas Tennesse Georgia Iowa Ohio Utah



## 2015 Firebaugh FFA Honorary Member

This year Firebaugh FFA has chosen an individual who has shown true leadership and dedication to our program. Anthony and Rosario Catalan received the Honorary Degree Membership at our 2015 Spring Awards Banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Catalan support and dedication is why the Firebaugh FFA Chapter has seen many of its recent successes. She is always there to lend a helping hand in any way possible.

The past few years Mr. and Mrs. Catalan has been available to help our members in any way possible. They have delivered animals to our annual Ag Awareness Day, purchased animals at both the Madera and Chowchilla Fairs and sponsored awards at our banquets. Their most generous donation has been their help with rebuilding our schools beef and rabbit units.

It is hard to put into words how grateful we are for the support of Mr. and Mrs. Catalan, and it is with the sincerest of appreciation that we dedicate the 2015-2016 Firebaugh FFA Program of Activities to them. Her help has always been of beneficiary to our chapter and we are grateful to have their time, dedication, and support put in to our Firebaugh FFA Chapter. You have been a loyal and devoted supporter of our program, and for that we thank you.

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1994- Maurice Ledford

1995- Bob Hogue

1996- Sharon Ramirez

1997- Mr. John Teixeira

1998- Mark & Mary Fickett

1999- Cindy Hansen

2000- Lorenzo Madrid

2001- Carol Ledford

2002- Violet Chuck

2004- Dustin Snyder & Brian Maiorino

2005- Doug Wood

2006- Chris Cardella

2009- Ronnie & Maurine Parker

2013- Katie &Carter Luxon

2014- Darlene Demmers

2015- Anthony and Rosario Catalan

## Program Path Ways- Science

### Earth Science in Agriculture

Earth Science in Agriculture is a one-year, laboratory science course, designed for the college bound student with career interests in Agriculture. Using agriculture as a learning vehicle, the course emphasizes the principles and practices of Earth Science as a way to demonstrate the relevance of Earth Science in Agriculture to each student's life and environment. This class will utilize local and regional issues and concerns to stimulate problem-solving activities and to foster a sense of Earth stewardship by students in their communities. The class will establish an expanded learning environment, which incorporates fieldwork, technological access to data, and traditional classroom and laboratory activities. The course is centered around an extensive laboratory component in order to connect the big ideas of all earth sciences with agricultural applications, physical science principles, and other curricular areas, including written and oral reporting skills.

### Agriculture Biology

Agriculture Biology is a one-year, laboratory science course, designed for the college bound student with career interests in agriculture. Using agriculture as a learning vehicle, the course emphasizes the principles, central concepts and interrelationships among the following topics: the molecular and cellular aspects of life, the chemical and structural basis of life, energetics of life, growth and reproduction in plant and animal genetics ecological relationships among plants, animals, humans and the environment, nutrition in animals, health and diseases in animals and the similarities between animals and humans. The course is centered on an extensive laboratory component in order to connect the big ideas of all life science with agricultural applications, earth and physical science principles and other curricular areas, including written and oral reporting skills.



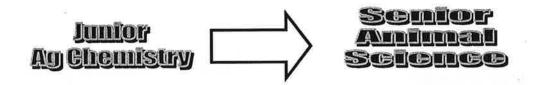
## Program Path Ways- Science

Agriculture Chemistry

Agriculture Chemistry is a one-year, laboratory science course, designed for the college bound student with career interests in agriculture, science and technology. Using agriculture as a learning vehicle, the course emphasizes the principles, central concepts and inter-relationships among the following topics: periodic law and trends, atomic and molecular structures, states of matter, chemical bonding, conservation of matter and stoichiometry, gases and their properties, properties of acids, bases and salts, qualitative and quantitative analysis, chemical thermodynamics, chemical reaction rates, chemical equilibrium, nuclear processes and an introduction to organic and biochemistry. The course is centered on an extensive laboratory component in order to connect the big ideas of chemistry with agricultural applications, earth and life science principles and other curricular areas, including written, mathematical and oral reporting skills.

**Animal Science** 

This course will follow the current advanced agriculture science curriculum with an emphasis on advance d agriculture procedures and practices. This course is designed for vocational-technical students who require competency in all phases and types of livestock and agriculture production. Students will be involved in hands-on laboratory studies and receive an in-depth look at animal science. Hands-on experience is essential for success in this class. Students' involvement will be necessary and will be incorporated by presenting many challenging practical laboratory activities and field trips.



## Program Path Ways-Agriculture Mechanics

#### **Agriculture Mechanics**

Introduction to Agriculture Mechanics is a beginning course to the Agricultural Mechanics Program. The class covers shop safety, shop procedures and the proper use and handling of hand and power tools. Students will be introduced to all facets of the areas which make up the field of Agriculture Mechanics. The following areas which are covered in this class are as follows: measuring, tool identification, rope work, woodworking, electrification, cold metal, plumbing, arc welding, oxy-acetylene welding and cutting, concrete, tool sharpening and maintenance and careers in Agriculture Mechanics.

### Agriculture Mechanics II

This is a one year course devoted to the development of welding skills and techniques used in industry. Topics for class activities are: all phases of oxygen-acetylene welding and cutting, shielded metal arc welding, and an introduction to metal inert gas (MIG) welding and tungsten inert gas (TIG) welding, carbon arc gouging and the cutting of mild steel, aluminum and stainless steel by use of the plasma cutter. Construction of metal projects is permissible and encouraged, but only after completion of required assignments. Each student is required to purchase a pair of coveralls.

### R.O.P. Welding & Fabrication

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Program Path Ways- Floral & Landscaping

#### Introduction to Floral Design

This course is designed to allow students to apply an artistic approach to floral design. Students will explore elements and principles of design, two and three dimensional designs, history of floral art, as well as art history, and arrangement styles and techniques with seasonal, holiday and occasional designs. Students will achieve this through designing, creating, identifying, explaining, and evaluating all topics of study. The use of floral and synthetic media will allow students to achieve balance, symmetry, harmony, unity, and texture. Curriculum will include problem solving, creative thinking, interpretation, and written and verbal communication skills.

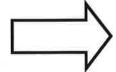
### **ROP Floral Design**

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### Ornamental Horticulture / Landscaping (ROP)

This course in intended to teach students entry level skills in the ornamental horticulture field. Students will learn various horticultural topics and s "hands-on" approach will be applied whenever possible. Plant identification, greenhouse practices and equipment use will be covered. Also various landscape projects including school beautification, garden construction, pruning and landscape maintenance.







### Path Ways- Electives

### Ag Leadership and Communication

This course is designed to develop responsibility, initiative, creativity, leadership and school pride in the Agriculture program. It provides class time for the planning and

organization of meetings, social and recreational events, elections, service activities, and community and other events. Students will have the opportunity to study concepts of goal development as an individual and team, the keys to success as an individual and team, character development as an individual and team, group dynamics, Parliamentary Law and Procedures, critical thinking, public speaking, personal financial management, business and how it relates to the agriculture industry, career goals and the importance of Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs and the FFA in Agricultural Education.

### Agriculture Government and Economics

In this course students will learn basic economic principals and the historical development of the government. Topics include: macroeconomics, agriculture business organizations, agriculture credit, record keeping, record keeping, record analysis, marketing, campaigns, the Constitution, the Branches of government, and the Bill of Rights. Students will be expected to participate in work place learning experiences and interpersonal leadership skill development activities.

### **Career Development Events**

The following are the current CDE's available to the members of Firebaugh FFA. The teams provided are subject to change depending on the interest of the members and the knowledge of the advisors.

#### Aq Mechanics

The agricultural mechanics event seeks to effectively prepare the students for the expectations of the agricultural mechanics workplace. Workers seeking careers in agricultural mechanics must not only develop a high degree of knowledge and skill they must also develop the ability to solve difficult problems. This event blends the testing of manipulative skills and knowledge required for careers in fabrication and construction. Coached by: Mr. Torres

#### Ag Welding

Ag Welding is a contest that tests students' knowledge of the welding industry. Students must perform a series of welds, complete a project, create a portfolio and participate in an interview. Coached by: Mr. Torres

### **Banking**

Members complete a written test made up of financial standings, such as checks and bank statements. Members will be expected to know the different rates of credit that may be given to them. Coached by: Mr. Lieb

#### **Best Informed Greenhand**

This contest is for freshmen FFA students only. Members on this team complete a written test on their knowledge of the FFA, members study from the official FFA manual. Coached by: Ms. Smith

#### **Cotton Judging**

The Cotton contest seeks to effectively prepare the students for the expectation of the cotton industry. Workers seeking careers in cotton must not only develop a high degree of knowledge and skill, they must also develop the ability to solve difficult problems. This contest blends the critical thinking, mathematical, and plant biology knowledge and skills along with the ability to express oneself through oral communication.

Coached by: Ms. Goeb

#### Cooperative Marketing

This contest is designed to create an awareness and understanding of the basic elements of farm product marketing and farmer cooperation in marketing, purchasing, bargaining, and service. Coached by Mr. Lieb

### **Creed Speaking**

This contest is for freshmen FFA students only. Students memorize and recite the FFA Creed written by E.M. Tiffany. Some of the expectations of the judges are memorization, appearance and gestures.

Coached by: Ms. Smith and Mrs. Correia

### **Extemporaneous Public Speaking**

Members deliver a speech on one of three agricultural topics after they are given thirty minutes to prepare a four-to-six minute speech. At the conclusion of the speech, the similar to the prepared event. Coached by: Mr. Lieb

### Farm Business Management

To help close the achievement gap we will encourage students to better analyze farm records which will reinforce mathematics standards. California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards addressed by this event include: Coached by: Ms. Goeb

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#### **Floriculture**

Members demonstrate proficiency in plant identification, judgment of floral and foliage arrangements, problem solving, and skills that include flower arranging and corsage formation. Coached by: Mr. Lieb

#### **Impromptu**

Members compete in a two round completion speaking about agricultural topics give. They are then given a two minutes to gather their thoughts and present them to the judges. This contest is exclusively for competitive sophomores looking to advance their speaking capabilities. Coached by: Ms. Smith

#### Job Interview

Members are required to create a cover letter and resume prior to participating in a job interview. You are evaluated and placed according to your resume, cover letter, and interview scores. Coached by: Ms. Goeb

### **Light Horse Evaluation**

A team may consist of three or four members. The top three scores will be used to determine the official team. If a school only has three members, they are the official team. These same three individuals will be used in selecting sub-contest, team winners. Coached by: Ms. Smtih

### **Livestock Judging**

Students measure their knowledge of the ideal livestock structure and present oral reason to defend their placing. Students must have knowledge of the following species: beef, swine, lamb, and goats. Coached by: Mrs. Correia

### Opening/Closing

This contest is made up of a six-person team. Each member of the team is responsible for memorizing one officer part of the opening and closing ceremonies and reciting it at the sectional contest as if it was an actual opening/closing ceremony. Coached by: All Ag Teachers

### **Prepared Public Speaking**

The member that chooses this speaking contest is to write and memorize a ten-minute speech on a major agriculture issue. The individual will be scored on his or her ability to speak and also on how well they can answer questions on the topic they choose. Coached by: Mr. Lieb

#### Scrapbook

The Scrapbook Career Development Event seeks to actively prepare the students to document the history of the chapter by using different forms of media. The scrapbook will serve as a recruitment and advertisement tool, within the chapter, school and community. Coached by: Mr. Lieb

## **FFA SAE Programs**

An agricultural education program is made up of three integrated parts: Classroom instruction, FFA and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE). Students with an SAE learn by doing. With help from their agricultural teachers, students develop an SAE project based on one or more SAE categories:

### Entrepreneurship

Own and operate an agricultural business (e.g. a lawn care service, a pay-to-fish operation, holiday poinsettia production and sales.)

#### **Placement**

Get a job or internship on a farm or ranch, at an agriculture-based business, or in a school or factory laboratory.

### Research and Experimentation

Plan and conduct a scientific experiment. (e.g. Determine whether the phases of the moon affect plant growth, or test and determine the efficacy of different welding methods.)

### **Exploratory**

Explore careers in agriculture by attending an agriculture career fair, or creating a report or documentary on the work of a veterinarian



## SAE Budgets

### **Market Swine**

A swine project is a great experience. When you begin your project, you must exercise your pig everyday in order for it to maintain a quality build. You are responsible for feeding and cleaning according to your assigned schedule. As your project progresses, you begin to wash your animal often. As you approach fair time you wash your animal every day. Before you go the fair you will need to clip your hog. Like other projects, you compete in two types of shows: market and showmanship. In the market show, the judge evaluates the animal for meat quality and the showmanship class determines how well you control your animal, as well as how well you can show your animals.

Expenses	Item		Price
	Feeder Hog		\$300.00
	Feed		\$200.00
	Vet Supplies/Medication		\$10.00
	Insurance		\$15.00
	School Housing/Bedding		\$10.00
	Entry Fee		\$10.00
	To	otal	\$545.00
Receipt			

Sale of Hog (250lbs @ \$3.00) \$750.00

Profit/Loss Margin

\$205.00

All above numbers have been estimated, and can be changed at any time.

## **SAE Budgets**

### **Market Goat**

This year Firebaugh FFA is bringing back the opportunity of showing and selling Market Goats. FFA members and Advisors are excited for this new opportunity. The goat unit will be covered by Mr. Lieb and Ms. Goeb.

A market goat project is challenging, yet rewarding. Raising this project will take a tremendous commitment on the students' part. From feeding and washing to shearing and exercising; a great deal of responsibility will be involved. The student will be required to feed one or two days a week as well as work with the goats three to four times a week. The length of the project is two to three months. The student will exhibit the animal in a market class and a showmanship class at fair. In market the animal will be judged on muscle, balance, and condition. The objective of the showmanship class is to determine the top exhibitor in terms of technique and style. The cost of raising a goat project may vary throughout the year, but here is an estimate to assist you in your decision.

E	xpenses	Item	Price
		Goat	\$350.00
		Feed and Wormer	\$150.00
		Vet Supplies/Medication	\$10.00
		Insurance	\$15.00
		School Housing/Bedding	\$10.00
		Entry Fee and Show Shirt	\$25.00
		Total	\$560.00
	Receipt		
		Sale of Goat (85lbs @ \$7.00)	\$595.00
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Profit/Loss Margin

\$35.00

All above numbers have been estimated, and can be changed at any time.

## **SAE Budgets**

### Market Lamb

A market lamb project is rewarding yet challenging. Raising this project will take a tremendous commitment on the students' part. From feeding to washing and shearing to exercising; a great deal of responsibility will be involved. The student will be required to feed one to two days per week as well as work with the lamb three to four times per week. The length of this project is two to three months. The student will exhibit the animal in a market class and a showmanship class at the fair. In market, the animal will be judged on muscle, balance and condition. The objective of the showmanship class is to determine the top exhibitor in terms of technique and style. The cost of raising a lamb project may vary throughout the year, but here is an estimate to assist you in your decision.

Expenses	Item (per lamb)		Price	
	Feeder Lamb		\$400.00	
	Feed		\$150.00	
	Halters (2)		\$23.00	
	Canvas Blankets (2)		\$60.00	
	Tubes (2)		\$40.00	
	Entry Fee		\$14.00	
	To	otal	\$762.00	
Receipt				
	Sale of Lamb (145lbs @ \$6.0	0)	\$870.00	
Profit/Loss Margin			\$108.00	
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## **SAE Budgets**

### **Market Steer**

A steer project is commonly thought of as the most challenging of animal projects in the FFA. Steers are normally purchased weighing 700 pounds and are shown at the fair at a market weight of roughly 1200 pounds. Therefore, no matter what developmental stage the steer is at his weight will range from 4 to 8 times heavier than that or the average student showman. This means it is critical that any student wishing to show a steer have a working knowledge of livestock behavior and a thorough understanding of safe handling practice.

With showing a steer comes a tremendous amount of responsibility. Not only is each steer showman expected to perform the normal duties associated with raising sheep and hogs (feeding and care), but they are also expected to rinse and brush their animal each day. This is necessary in order to promote healthy hair growth. Additionally steers need to be walked and worked with so that they become accustomed to a show stick. Without a doubt, raising a steer to show can be challenging, but it is also very rewarding. Below is a projectile budget for a steer project.

Expenses	Item	Price
	Feeder Steer	\$2500.00
	Feed	\$1500.00
	Vet Supplies/Medication	\$25.00
	Insurance	\$100.00
	School Housing/Bedding	\$10.00
	Entry Fee	\$10.00
	Total	\$4145.00
Receipt		
	Sale of Steer (1200lbs @ \$3.50)	\$4200.00

Profit/Loss Margin

\$55.00

All above numbers are estimated, and can be changed at any time.

## **SAE Budgets**

Replacement Dairy Heifer

Profit/Loss Margin

To participate in this program, you must be an FFA member throughout the project and eligible to show at the Chowchilla- Madera Co. Fair. The heifer must be shown in Special Dairy Heifer Project classes as a calf at the Madera District Fair, as a yearling at the Chowchilla- Madera Co. Fair and shown and sold as a springer at the Chowchilla- Madera Co. Fair. You shall purchase your heifer with the approval of your FFA Advisor and the Dairy Committee. Heifers will be born no earlier than January 1<sup>st</sup>, (approximately 28 months prior to sale) and no later than the following March 1<sup>st</sup>. This form, dam's record sheet and a photograph of one side of your heifer must be turned in to the Dairy Committee by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Expenses	Item	Price
	Heifer	\$600.00
	Feed	\$1200.00
	Vet Supplies/Medication	\$50.00
	Insurance	\$50.00
	School Housing/Bedding	\$25.00
	Entry Fee	\$30.00
	Total	\$1955.00
Receipt		
	Sale of Heifer (1 heifer @ \$4000.00)	\$4000.00

All above numbers are estimated, and can be changed at any time.

\$2045.00

## **SAE Budgets**

### **Poultry**

The poultry project does not require as much maintenance, as compared to other projects simply because they are small animals. You will take ownership and care for the animals for thirty days prior to the fair. When you get your animals you have to feed them and practice showmanship. Showmanship requires you to inspect the animal. After you show your animal, it will go to the auction if it does well at the show.

Expenses	Item	F	Price	
	Market Turkey		\$15.00	
	Feed		\$50.00	
	Vet Supplies/Medication		\$5.00	
	Insurance		\$5.00	
	School Housing/Bedding		\$10.00	
	Entry Fee		\$10.00	
	T	otal	\$95.00	
Receipt				
	Sale of Turkey (1 bird @ \$200.00	))	\$200.00	
Profit/Loss Margin			\$105.00	

All above numbers are estimated, and can be changed at any time.

## **SAE Budgets**

### Rabbits

Raising and showing rabbits can be a lot of fun. If you are the type of person who doesn't like to work with larger animals then this is the animal for you! There are a lot of responsibilities when you show rabbits. You have to feed and water them everyday and make sure you groom them everyday also. You can either show a meat pen, which consists of 3 meat rabbits and you sell them at the fair. You can also show rabbits, which are used strictly for showing and kept as your pet to use them for breeding.

Expenses	Item	Price
	Meat Pen (3 rabbits)	\$75.00
	Feed	\$10.00
	Vet Supplies/Medication	\$5.00
	Insurance	\$5.00
	School Housing/Bedding	\$5.00
	Entry Fee	\$10.00
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Receipt		
	Sale of Meat Pen (1 Pen @ \$200.00)	\$200.00
Profit/Loss Margin		\$90.00
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## FIREBAUGH AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT **EXHIBITOR CONTRACT**

Date

**Parent Signature** 

## FIREBAUGH AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT PROJECT FACILITY CONTRACT

If you choose to keep your animal at the FHS farm you are required to maintain the following for the duration of your project:

### 1. Grades and Eligibility

- Student must have a 2.0 GPA currently with no more than one "F" grade.
- Student must maintain grade requirement until the first day of the fair.
- Student must arrange for homework to be completed with all teachers and must get signed out by all teachers before the start of the fair.
  - Failure to meet grade requirements will result in student not being able to participate, show or sell the animal at the Fair.

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Student Initials	Parent Initials

### 2. Project and Facility requirements - Feeding and Cleaning

- Contact advisor when feed is low (1/2 a bag).
- Clean your pen and surrounding areas every day you are assigned to feed.
- Attend all required workdays on time. More than 10 minutes late will be considered a tardy!!!!
  - 1<sup>st</sup> unexcused absence or tardy: Warning.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> unexcused absence or tardy: Strike
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> unexcused absence or tardy: Parent/Teacher/Student conference. Contact will be put into place to move animal to an alternate location and 2<sup>nd</sup> strike will be given.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> unexcused absence or tardy: Student must remove animal from school facility and take it to the alternate location. Student will no longer be able to house any animal at the school facility.
- Feed and Clean on your assigned time and day. Failure to do any of the following will result in a strike.
  - Morning feeding 6:00 A.M. 8:00 A.M. (Includes fresh clean water at every feeding.)
  - Evening feeding 6:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M. (Includes fresh clean water at every feeding.)
  - Sweep and wash alley (if in old barn); Rake alley (if in new barn)
  - Sweep feed room (if in old barn)
  - Take garbage to dumpster
  - Shut all gates
  - Turn lights on and off
  - · Turn fans and misters on and off
  - Make sure electric fence is connected
- Working with your animal

- Student will exercise or work with their animal three or more times per week.
- Wear appropriate clothing for working on the farm and around livestock
  - Appropriate clothing includes long pants, short sleeve or long sleeve shirt (no sleeveless shirts or tank tops), socks and closed toe, closed back shoes. Failure to wear the appropriate clothing will result in a strike.
  - Clothing requirements also apply to loading in, exhibiting and loading out at the fair.

#### Absences and Tardies

- If you must miss a workday due to a doctor, dentist or other appointment you will need to bring a doctor's note or proof of the appointment. You will be excused from only one workday for appointments... after that you will receive a strike if you must miss workday due to an appointment.
- You must call your advisor if you are going to miss any workday. Failure to notify your advisor will result in a strike.

#### 3. Strike Policy

- 1<sup>st</sup> Strike: Warning, verbal conversation and strike form must be signed by student and parent and returned within two days of receiving the strike.
- Strike: Parent/Student/Teacher Conference will be assigned. Mandatory attendance will be necessary to discuss the direction of the project. Strike form must be signed by student and parent and returned within two days of receiving the strike.
- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> Strike: Removal of animal from school property. Student will be given one week to remove animal from the school property. Advisor will do project visits weekly to make sure the project is being cared for. If project is not being cared for, termination of the project will occur immediately.
- Strike items include but are not limited to:
  - Tardy or unexcused absences
  - Missing a feeding
  - Not working with or exercising animal
  - Not completing all work jobs for assigned day.
  - Not wearing appropriate clothing for working on farm and around animals.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE ABOVE STANDARDS WILL RESULT IN THE "3 STRIKE METHOD". THE THIRD STRIKE WILL RESULT IN THE ANIMAL BEING REMOVED FROM THE BARN WITHIN 1 WEEK. IF YOU FAIL TO REMOVE THE ANIMAL IN THE ALLOTED TIME IT WILL BE TAKEN TO THE LOCAL LIVESTOCK AUCTION AND THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE FIREBAUGH HIGH SCHOOL AG DEPARTMENT.

THIS CONTRACT IS DUE TO THE ADVISOR PRIOR TO KEEPING THE ANIMAL AT THE FIRBAUGH HIGH SCHOOL FARM.

PARENT SIGNATURE		
STUDENT SIGNATURE		

## FIREBAUGH HIGH SCHOOL AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT ANIMAL PROJECT PURCHASING POLICY

Student must meet the following criteria in order to purchase a market turkey:

- 1. This contract must be turned in to the project advisor by the assigned date or an animal will not be purchased for the student.
- Once the animal has been purchased for the student, the student becomes liable
  for the entire cost of the project even if the student backs out of the project <u>OR</u>
  loses the project due to ineligibility or breaking contract rules.
- 3. Student must pay the cost of the animal may 1st for Chowchilla Fair
- The remaining balance of the project must be paid by May 1<sup>st</sup> for Chowchilla Fair and August 26<sup>th</sup> for Madera Fair.
  - a. No project is taken to the fair unless the project has been paid in full before the fair.
- 5. The project will become property of the Agriculture Department if proper payments are not received by the given due dates.
- 6. All students must purchase an FFA jacket and tie/scarf at least 6 weeks before the fair. Students who cannot do so due to financial constraints must talk with their advisor for other arrangements. All students must show proof of a show uniform 6 weeks prior to fair.
  - a. Full FFA show uniform includes:
    - i. FFA jacket
    - ii. FFA tie or scarf
    - iii. White pants
    - iv. White collared shirt
    - v. Brown or black shoes or boots
    - vi. Brown or black belt
- 7. The student must complete the following requirements before any check is released to the student:
  - a. Complete the FFA Recordbook for all projects.
  - b. Write thank you notes (must be cleared by advisor before sending out)
  - c. Obtain a buyer's gift for all who supported the project. This includes award sponsors.
  - d. Must participate in "Barn Clean-up Day" or equivalent hours if animal is held at school facilities.

Date

e. Must clear all outstanding debts.

I understand and agree to the above terms.

Parent

Student Date

## **FFA Proficiency Areas**

The Agricultural Proficiency Awards honor FFA members who, through their SAEs, have developed specialized skills that they can apply toward their future careers. Students can compete for awards in 49 areas covering everything from Agricultural Communications to Wildlife Management. Each award area has two categories, placement and entrepreneurship. Proficiency awards are given out at the local, state and national levels

There are four categories of SAE programs:

**Exploratory** - Learn about the big picture of agriculture and its many related careers.

Agriscience Research and Experimentation-Involve planning and conducting a scientific experiment based on hypothesis and the use of the scientific method of investigation on the hypothesis. This may include qualitative, quantitative, experimental, descriptive and quasi experimental research.

**Entrepreneurship** - A student-owned enterprise where the student assumes responsibility for all financial and management decisions for the successful completion of the project or activity.

**Placement** – A student works for an agriculture-related business or individual, either for pay or for the experience.

## FFA Proficiency Areas

Agricultural Communications – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Includes programs in which a student is placed at a newspaper or other agricultural print (such as magazines) facilities to obtain training and practical experience in writing and publicizing in preparation for a writing communications career. Programs may also be at radio and TV stations, fair media rooms, or other businesses requiring speaking skills and knowledge of agriculture. The student may also own and produce an agriculture related broadcast or show. This area also includes any use of technology (such as websites and blogs) aimed at communicating the story of agriculture.

Agricultural Education – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Relates to education and extension, including, but not limited to youth mentoring, agricultural education departmental assistants, PALS mentors and student coordinators, developing and conducting informational materials and presentations for civic organizations and schoolaged youth, and students who are involved in SAEs surrounding educating the public about the broad topics of agriculture, agriculture education and the FFA.

Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Involves the design and construction of agricultural equipment, structures, and/or selection of the structural materials, and/or implementation of plans for utilizing concrete, electricity, plumbing, heating, ventilation, and/or air conditioning into agricultural settings.

Agricultural Mechanics Energy Systems— Entrepreneurship/Placement — Involves the adjustment, repair, and maintenance of agricultural power systems including mechanical power, electrical power, chemical power, wind power, solar power and/or water power. NOTE: Electrical wiring for general construction, restoration of tractors, general engine repair is more appropriately covered in other agricultural mechanics proficiency award areas.

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance – Entrepreneurship – Student owns an enterprise or business involving the repair and maintenance of agricultural equipment (including lawn equipment) and/or structures.

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance – Placement – Student works for an employer involved in the repair and maintenance of agricultural equipment (including lawn equipment) and/or structures.

Agricultural Processing – Entrepreneurship/Placement – A student owns an enterprise or works for a business of assembling, transporting, processing, fabricating, mixing, packaging and storing food and nonfood agricultural products. Programs could include processing meat, milk, honey, cheese, raisins and other dried fruits, maple

syrup and/or other food processing. Nonfood products could include byproducts processing such as meat, bone, fish and blood meal, tallow, hides; processing of wool & cotton, making compost, cubing & pelleting of forages, producing bird seed and other pet foods. **NOTE**: Processing of forest products is no longer part of the Agricultural Processing area. See: Forest Management and Products.

Agricultural Sales-Entrepreneurship – Student owns the enterprise or business, not covered in a more appropriate proficiency award category, could include enterprises such as the sales of feed, seed, fertilizer, agricultural chemicals, agricultural equipment, machinery or structures. Enterprises could also include the merchandising (which is buying an item with the sole purpose to resell it in a short time frame) of crops, livestock, processed agricultural commodities, horticulture (including quarry rock for decorative or landscape purposes), floriculture, or forestry items at either the retail.

Agricultural Sales-Placement – Student works for an agriculture related business that is not covered in a more appropriate proficiency award category. This could include sales of feed, seed, fertilizer or agricultural chemicals. Students could also work for businesses that involve the sales of agricultural equipment, machinery or structures. Activities could include the merchandising (buying an item with the sole purpose to resell it in a short time frame) of crops, livestock, processed agricultural commodities, horticulture (including quarry rock for decorative or landscape purposes), floriculture, floriculture and/or forestry items at either the retail or wholesale level.

Agricultural Services – Entrepreneurship/Placement –Student owns enterprises or works in an agricultural business that is not covered in any of the existing award categories. This includes enterprises such as custom equipment operation and maintenance, agricultural management and financial services, animal breeding services, custom baling, crop scouting, implementing integrated pest management programs, horseshoeing, taxidermy services, auction services (working at or owning the auction house), custom and contract feeding services or other appropriate services offered through agricultural enterprises. Students applying for placement in agricultural services must work for a company or individual whose primary activity to provide agricultural services. NOTE: Activities related to lawn care, landscaping, mowing or other landscape and care activities are not included in this area. Students with these types of enterprises or activities need to apply in other, more appropriate areas related to turf care, horticulture or nursery landscape.

**Agriscience Animal Systems Research -** Research in the life processes, health, nutrition, genetics, management and processing of animal systems related to small animals, aquaculture, livestock, dairy, horses and/or poultry.

**Agriscience Plant Systems Research -** Research in the life cycles, classifications, functions, practices of plant systems related to crops, turf grass, trees and shrubs and/or ornamental plants.

**Agriscience Integrated Systems Research-** Must fit one of the following descriptions: **Diversified Research** – Research in two or more of the Agriscience research areas.

- Environmental Service Systems/Natural Resource Systems Research -Research in the systems, instruments and technology used in waste management and their influence on the environment.
- Food Products and Processing Systems Research Research in the product development, quality assurance, food safety, production, sales and service, regulation and compliance, and food service practices within the food industry.
- **Power, Structural and Technical Systems Research -** Research in the agricultural equipment, power systems, alternative fuel sources and precision technology, as well as woodworking, metalworking, welding and project planning for agricultural structures.
- Social Sciences Research Research of leadership, personal growth and career success skills necessary for a chosen profession that effectively contributes to society.

**Beef Production- Entrepreneurship** – Student owns the enterprise or business that uses the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market beef. This award area is for any beef animals, including miniature Herefords, Zebu, etc.

**Beef Production- Placement** – Student works for a livestock producer applying the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market beef. This award area is for any beef animals, including miniature Herefords, Zebu, etc.

**Dairy Production- Entrepreneurship** – Student owns an enterprise or business and applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market dairy cattle and dairy cattle products

**Dairy Production- Placement** – Student works in the dairy cattle industry applying the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market dairy cattle and dairy cattle products

**Diversified Agricultural Production - Entrepreneurship/Placement-** Involves the use of the best management practices available to produce and market a combination of livestock and crops in **two or more** proficiency areas. These areas include at least one species included in Diversified Livestock and at least one species included in Diversified Crop proficiency area.

**Diversified Crop Production – Entrepreneurship** – Student owns an enterprise or business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops from **two or more** of the crop related proficiencies areas. These areas include grain production, fiber/oil production, forage production, specialty crop production, vegetable production or fruit production.

**Diversified Crop Production – Placement** – Student works for a crop producer that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops from **two or more** of the crop related proficiencies. These areas include grain production, fiber/oil production, forage production, specialty crop production, vegetable production or fruit production.

**Diversified Horticulture – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student works for someone who or owns the enterprise or business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently manage an SAE program that includes **two or more** of the following proficiency areas: landscape management, nursery operations, turf grass management, or the specific floricultural production or floral design and floral sales activities accepted in specialty crop production

**Diversified Livestock Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Involves the use of the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market a combination of **two or more** livestock related proficiency award areas. These areas include beef, dairy, sheep, swine, equine, goat, specialty animal, small animal production and care, or poultry.

Emerging Agricultural Technology - Entrepreneurship/Placement – Involves gaining career experiences in the development of new and emerging agricultural technologies such as engineering, remote sensing, hand held device technology, precision agriculture, agrobotics and other new and emerging technologies that are not covered in any of the existing award categories. The implementation of new and emerging agricultural technologies is more appropriate in other existing categories

Environmental Science and Natural Resources Management – Entrepreneurship /Placement – Students receive practical experience concerned with the principles and practices of managing and/or improving the environment and natural resources. Activities may include the areas of management of agriculture waste (excluding common compliance with EPA regulations) recycling of agriculture products, environmental cleanup, serving in the conservation corps; managing agricultural energy usage (not for building or maintaining), multiple uses of resources, land use regulations pertaining to soil, water and air quality, preservation of wetlands, shorelines, and grasslands, wildlife surveys, erosion prevention practices; public relations and education concerning pollution.

**Equine Science - Entrepreneurship** – Student owns an enterprise or business that provides experiences in horse production, breeding, marketing, showing and other aspects of the equine industry. Programs may also include calf roping, barrel racing, rodeo, racing, training, riding lessons and therapeutic horseback riding if horses are owned and/or managed by the member. This also includes miniature horses (prior to 2012, formerly in Specialty Animal Production).

**Equine Science- Placement** – Student works for an employer providing experience in horse production, breeding, marketing, showing and other aspects of the equine industry. Programs may also include calf roping, barrel racing, rodeo, racing, training, riding lessons and therapeutic horseback riding if horses are owned and/or managed by the member. This also includes miniature horses (prior to 2012, formerly in Specialty Animal Production).

**Fiber and Oil Crop Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops for fiber and/or oil such as cotton, sisal, hemp, soybeans, sesame seed, flax, mustard, canola, castor beans, sunflower, peanuts, dill, spearmint, and safflower.

**Food Science and Technology – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that applies microbiology and biochemistry or food product development to improve taste, nutrition, quality and/or value of food. Programs could include the development of new products, food testing, grading and inspecting. **NOTE:** Food Science is not processing of food products, marketing or sales of food products, or food preparation and/or service.

**Forage Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops for forage such as sorghum not used for grain, alfalfa, clover, brome grass, orchard grass, grain forages, corn and grass silages and all pastures.

Forest Management and Products – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to conserve or increase the economic value of a forest and/or forest products through such practices as thinning, pruning, weeding, stand improvement, reforestation, insect and disease control, planting, harvesting, Christmas tree farming, making and selling cedar shakes and firewood, and wood chips/mulch, or working for the Forest Service.

Fruit Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops for fruits such as stone fruits, pome fruits, citrus

fruits, pineapples, coconuts, berries, watermelon, grapes, nuts and all common fruits. (Pome fruits include apples, , and pears. Stone fruits include peaches, nectarines, plums, apricots and cherries).

**Goat Production - Entrepreneurship/Placement --** Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that involves the use of the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market goats and all goat products.

**Grain Production – Entrepreneurship –** Student owns an enterprise or business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops for grain production such as corn, barley (including the malting types), millet, buckwheat, oats, grain sorghum, milo, wheat, rice and rye. Grain Production **does not** include any of the aforementioned crops with an intended use for forage.

**Grain Production – Placement –** Student works for a crop producer or grain production related business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops for grain production such as corn, barley (including the malting types), millet, buckwheat, oats, grain sorghum, milo, wheat, rice and rye. Grain Production **does not** include any of the aforementioned crops with an intended use for forage.

Home and/or Community Development – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that involves improving and protecting the beauty of an area by using natural vegetation or commercial ornamental plants and/or modernizing the home for better health and comfort through installation or improvement of water and sanitary facilities, heating and air conditioning or labor saving devices. Also includes community development activities such as volunteerism, community development and community betterment activities.

Landscape Management – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes experiences of planting and maintaining plants and shrubs, landscaping and outdoor beautification, grounds keeping, sprinkler installations and improvement of recreational areas.

Nursery Operations – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that provides students with job-entry experience in areas such as turf, ornamental plants, vegetable starter plants, shrubs and/or tree production for the purpose of transplanting or propagation. This could include water garden plants if produced for sale.

Outdoor Recreation – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that develops outdoor recreational activities best suited to family use or as income-producing enterprises. These enterprises could include vacation cabins and cottages, camping and/or picnic areas, fishing, hunting, water sports (not

including indoor lifeguard activities), winter sports, shooting preserves, guide services, riding stables, trail rides, vacation farms and guest ranches, natural scenic or historic areas, and rodeo events where the member does not own or manage animals.

**Poultry Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market chickens, turkeys, domestic fowl such as ducks, geese and guinea, and their products.

**Sheep Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement –** Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market sheep, sheep products and wool.

Small Animal Production and Care – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market small pet animals such as rabbits, cats, dogs, mice, hedgehogs, guinea pigs, lizards, small birds (such as canaries, cockatiels, cockatoos, parakeets, parrots, etc.), and programs that typically provide a service in caring for the well-being of pets. Programs could include working at a pet shop, as a groomer, as a dog trainer, providing pet sitting services, working at a kennel, or preparing guide and assistance animals.

Specialty Animal Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market specialty animals within the Agriculture industry. Students in the specialty animal production proficiency area must demonstrate that they are producing and marketing specialty animals not covered in any of the existing award categories. Specialty animals can include the following: aquaculture, bees, mules, donkeys, bison, oxen, mink, worms, ostriches, pigeons, emus, alpacas or llamas. Placement experiences could include roles as a zoo worker or placement at any specialty animal facility. In their supervised work experience, students must participate in hands-on activities including feeding, inoculating, performing basic animal care, weighing, measuring, showing and possibly marketing animals in an entrepreneurial or work placement environment.

**Swine Production – Entrepreneurship** – Student owns an enterprise that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market swine.

**Specialty Crop Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement –** Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops not covered in any of the existing award categories such as: native prairie plants, sugar beets, dry edible beans, green peanuts, gourds, tobacco, bittersweet (if not a greenhouse crop), specialty corns (popcorn, white corn, Indian corn), all grass seed production, herbs and spices,

mushrooms, sugar cane, hops, sorghum cane, confectionary sunflowers, production of crop seed or specific floriculture production.

**Swine Production – Placement** – Student works for an employer that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market swine.

**Turf Grass Management – Entrepreneurship/Placement –** Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that involves the planting and maintaining of turf for outdoor beautification, providing a lawn mowing service; improving recreational areas, sod produced for sale, and sport field or golf course management.

**Vegetable Production – Entrepreneurship/Placement –** Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that applies the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops such as beans, potatoes, sweet potatoes, yams, pumpkins, sweet corn, tomatoes, onions, zucchini, hot peppers, all canning vegetables and all common garden vegetables.

**Veterinary Science – Entrepreneurship/Placement** – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes working with veterinarians in clinical practice, research facilities, colleges of veterinary medicine, animal health industry, or any other environment in which they assist veterinarians in performing duties related to the health of people and/or the health and welfare of large and small animals. This experience may include wage earning, entrepreneurial or exploratory activities not limited to handson care of animals, management of business aspects of a veterinary practice, or working on legislation or regulations relating to animals.

Wildlife Production and Management – Entrepreneurship/Placement – Student owns the enterprise, or works for a business that includes the improvement and the availability of fish and wildlife through practices such as land and water habitat improvement, development of new land and water habitat, trapping, or the stocking of fish and wild game. This proficiency includes activities conducted with the Fish &Wildlife departments, or Department of Natural Resources. The production of wild species for the stocking of ducks, geese, quail and pheasants are eligible if used as an income enterprise.

## Firebaugh FFA Scholarships

If you wish to obtain a scholarship application they will be available through the counseling office. It is the student's responsibility to fill out the application and turn it in by the deadline.

## Matthew Roussel Memorial \$250

This memorial scholarship is to honor an alumni FFA member who has passed away. This scholarship is awarded to an FFA member who has been active in the FFA. If you want to apply for this scholarship you must fill out the general FHS scholarship application form. Once the applications are turned in and the requirements are met, the high school scholarship committee will select a recipient.

## California Women for Agriculture \$250

In order to obtain an application you must see your counselor or your agriculture teacher. The requirements for this scholarship consist of being an active in the FFA, as well as pursuing a career in agriculture.

## Madera Agriculture Youth Association (MAYA) \$500

The MAYA scholarship is offered to high school students pursuing an agriculture career.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. A 2.5 cumulative grade point average.
- 2. Must be planning to enroll as a full time student with a minimum of 12 units.
- 3. Must be a resident of Madera County and an active FFA member of Chowchilla, Firebaugh, or Yosemite High Schools or a Madera County 4-H Club.

## \$1,000

The Calcot-Seitz is for students from Arizona or California who plan to or are attending a college that offers a **four-year degree** in Agriculture.

Requirements:

- 1. The student must be from a cotton producing area in CA or AZ.
- 2. The student must be enrolled as a full time student in a four-year college and have a major in the field of agriculture.
- 3. A general guideline will be a 3.0 grade point average for high school graduates and college students.
- 4. Applicants must also complete the entire application form along with having three recommendations from non-relatives.

## Lara Family Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a female Ag student who meets the following requirements:

- Student must provide a copy of the completed scholarship application to the Ag department chairperson by May 5<sup>th</sup> of the current school year (late applications & essays will not be considered).
- 2. A committee will review the applications and check for the following mandatory qualifications:
  - a. All applicants must have a minimum **2.50 GPA** to be considered for an award.
  - b. All applicants must be majoring in an **agriculturally related major** when entering college.
  - c. Three (3) confidential statements completed by high school teachers or administrators must be attached.
  - d. All applications are confidential and become property to the Firebaugh High School Agriculture Department.
- 3. The student will receive \$4,000.00. \$1,000.00 will be given each year, for four years while enrolled in college.
- 4. Student can take any 2 semesters off without losing the remainder of the scholarship.
- 5. Money is disbursed as follows:

i.	First semester registration	\$250.00
ii.	First semester grades	\$250.00
iii.	Second semester registration	\$500.00
iv.	Total	\$1,000.00 (per year)
V	Grand Total	\$4,000,00

#### **Lara Family Memorial Scholarship Winners**

2005 – Stacey Norton 2006 – Jessica Coursey 2007 – Maricruz Silva 2008 - Kayla Diedrich 2012- Mayra Magallon 2013- Stephanie Barrera 2014-Natalynn Parker

## Willoughby Houk Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a male Ag student who meets the following requirements:

- Student must provide a copy of the completed scholarship application to the Ag department chairperson by May 5<sup>th</sup> of the current school year (late applications & essays will not be considered).
- 2. A committee will review the applications and check for the following mandatory qualifications:
  - a. All applicants must have a minimum **2.50 GPA** to be considered for an award.
  - b. All applicants must be majoring in an **agriculturally related major** when entering college.
  - c. Three (3) confidential statements completed by high school teachers or administrators must be attached.
  - d. All applications are confidential and become property to the Firebaugh High School Agriculture Department.
- 3. The student will receive \$4,000.00. \$1,000.00 will be given each year, for four years while enrolled in college.
- 4. Student can take any 2 semesters off without losing the remainder of the scholarship.
- 5. Money is disbursed as follows:

<ol> <li>First semester registration</li> </ol>	\$250.00
ii. First semester grades	\$250.00
iii. Second semester registration	\$500.00
iv. Total	\$1,000.00 (per year)
Grand Total	\$4,000.00

## Willoughby Houk Memorial Scholarship Winners

2005 – Vincent Fitch 2006 – Juan Ruvalcaba 2007 – Steven Cardella 2012- Tate Parker 2013- Dani Knight 2014- Joshua Allen

## Monsanto Agriculture Scholarship

The Monsanto Scholarship group annually awards 100 high school students with an interest in working towards a degree in Agriculture. The award amount is \$1,500.00. To qualify one must come from an agriculture background, preferably from a farm family, and have an above average academic record. Also you must plan to enroll as a full time student at the college of your choice where you will be working towards an agriculture major

## California State FFA Scholarship Program

Each year the California FFA association awards more than \$1 million in scholarships to members. There are many types of scholarships to fit the many types of FFA members. Scholarships are given for a wide variety of experiences, career goals and higher education plans. Different awards may be used at colleges, universities and post secondary agricultural programs. The scholarships are sponsored by numerous agricultural businesses through the state, and new scholarships are added every year.

#### California Farm Bureau Federation

The California Farm Bureau Scholarship Foundation was organized to give aid to students with a desire to pursue a career in the agricultural industry. The scholarships are awarded annually based upon academic achievement, career goals, extracurricular activities, determination, leadership skills, and a commitment to study agriculture. Each year, the Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors determines the award amounts depending on the funds available. In recent years, the range has been \$1,800 to \$5,000, for approximately 30 recipients each year.

## National FFA Collegiate Scholarship Program

Each year the National FFA Organization awards more than \$2 million in scholarships to members. There are many types of scholarships to fit the many types of FFA members. Scholarships are given for a wide variety of experiences, career goals and higher education plans. Different awards may be used at colleges, universities and post secondary agricultural programs. The scholarships are sponsored by numerous agricultural businesses through the National FFA Foundation, and new scholarships are added every year.

#### National FFA Collegiate Scholarship Program Winners

2005 – Tyler Britton 2013- Skotlynn Snyder

## **FFA Conferences**

### The Greenhand Conference

This leadership development conference is designed for freshman students. Participants are provided an overview of the opportunities in the FFA. They also become involved in goal setting activities. We take 9 -18 students to this one conference. If you are a freshman, you will want to get one of the limited seats to attend this exciting activity.

#### The Made for Excellence Conference

This is designed for sophomore students and second in the Integrated Leadership Development Program. This conference builds on the Greenhand Conference. It continues with goal setting and helps to develop self-esteem and confidence. Unlike the Greenhand Conference, this is an overnight activity. The cost is about \$100.

### The Advanced Leadership Conference

This leadership development conference is designed for junior students and is the third in the Integrated Leadership Development Program. This activity builds on the two previous conferences. The focus is on the continued development of leadership skills and how to best use them for success. Like the Made for Excellence conference, this is an overnight activity. The cost is about \$100.

#### The California State FFA Convention

The State FFA Convention is held each year at the Fresno Convention Center. At the state convention chapter delegates conduct the business of the state association. The Firebaugh FFA chapter selects their state-voting delegates through an application and essay process that occurs in December. All students must go through the chapter application and essay process; this includes students interested in applying for Committee Chairperson, State FFA Band, State FFA Choir and State FFA Talent. The chapter pays for the full cost of registration for the delegates. Members who are selected by the State for the State FFA Band, Choir and Talent will have half of their registration costs paid. The conference offers many leadership and personal development workshops as well as showcases the tremendous opportunities available to California State FFA members.

## The Sacramento Leadership Conference

This is the final conference in the Integrated Leadership Development Program. This is without a doubt one of the best conference that a student will have the opportunity to participate in. This conference is four days and three nights. Participants have the opportunity to discuss important agriculture issues with some of the most powerful and influential leaders of California. The conference includes an activity where students discuss an issue on the Senate Floor. Only forty students from the state of California are selected each year to participate in the Sacramento Leadership Experience.

## **The National FFA Convention**

The National FFA Convention is held each year in Indianapolis, Indiana. This is a convention that each student should hope to one day attend. Our chapter sends the Top 10 Winner to the National FFA Convention each year. Additionally, every two years we plan a chapter trip to the National FFA Convention and Washington D.C. In addition to conducting the business of the National FFA, the convention includes some of the most motivational speakers, workshops and a career and a trade shows the size of 10 football fields.

## The Washington Leadership Conference

Located in our nation's capital, the Washington Leadership Conference is a five-day event that trains FFA members to make a positive impact in their school, local community, state and country. The conference focuses on the following five areas: Problem Solving, Relationship Building, Living with Character and Developing an Attitude of Serving Others. Student registration for the conference is \$550. This includes lodging, meals and transportation, while at the conference.

# **FFA Degrees**

## Greenhand Degree

The Greenhand Degree is earned by first year FFA members, primarily freshmen. The Greenhand pin is made of bronze for its hardness and endurance, two qualities all members must have to be successful throughout their careers. Requirements to earn the Greenhand Degree are as follows:



- Enroll in an agricultural education program and have satisfactory plans for a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE).
- Learn and explain the FFA Creed, FFA Mission and Motto, and FFA salute.
- Describe and explain the meaning of the FFA emblem and FFA colors.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the FFA Code of Ethics and the proper use of the FFA jacket.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the history of the organization, the chapter constitution and bylaws and the chapter Program of Activities.
- Own or have access to the Official FFA Manual and the Official FFA Student Handbook.
- Submit a written application for the Greenhand FFA Degree.

# **FFA Degrees**

# **Chapter Degree**

The Chapter Degree is earned by second year FFA members, primarily sophomores. The Chapter Degree is made of silver and while it is a precious laurel there are much more precious degrees to earn.



To receive a Chapter FFA Degree, members must meet the following requirements:

- Received the Greenhand FFA Degree
- Satisfactorily completed 180 hours (or the equivalent) of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at or above the ninth grade level.
- Have an approved SAE in operation.
- Enrolled in an agriculture course
- Participated in the planning and implementation of at least three official FFA chapter activities.
- Earned and productively invested at least \$150, or have worked at least 45 hours outside of scheduled class time, or a combination of the two, through their SAE.
- Have developed plans for continued growth and improvement of their SAE.
- Effectively lead a group discussion for 15 minutes.
- Demonstrated five parliamentary law procedures.
- Show progress toward achievement in FFA award programs.
- Have a satisfactory academic record.
- Submitted a written application for the Chapter FFA Degree
- Complete a minimum of 10 hours of community service activities

# **FFA Degrees**

## State Degree

The highest degree a state can bestow upon its members. The California State FFA Degree is earned by 1,700 students every year. The members earn the Golden Pin. To receive a State FFA Degree, members must meet the following requirements:



- · Received a Chapter FFA Degree.
- Have been an active FFA member for at least two years (24 months) at the time of receiving the State FFA Degree
- Have completed at least 2 years (360 hours) of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at our above the ninth grade level, which includes an SAE.
- Have earned and productively invested at least \$1,000, or have worked at least 300 hours outside of schedule class time through an SAE.
- Demonstrated leadership ability by performing 10 parliamentary law procedures, giving a six-minute speech on a topic relating to agriculture or FFA, and serving as an FFA officer, committee chairperson, or committee member.
- Have a satisfactory academic record, certified by the agriculture teacher and the school principal or superintendent.
- Participated in the planning and implementation of the chapter's Program of Activities.
- Participated in at least five different FFA activities above the chapter level.
- Complete at least 25 hours of community service in a minimum of two different activities. All community service hours are cumulative, i.e. the 10 community service hours used to obtain the chapter degree can be used toward the state degree.

# California State FFA Degree Recipients

California State FFA Degree Recipients			
Class of 1982  Jeff Cradock  Ron Diaz  Keith Dodderer  Monty Robinson	Class of 1983 Barbara Diedrich William Felix Billy Roussell Teddi Snyder	Class of 1984 Edward Ward	Class of 1985 Trace Maiorino
Class of 1986 Gina Diaz Dustin Snyder	Class of 1987 Freddie Fonseca Shelly Nash Sheri Smith	Class of 1988 Claudine Bishop Susan Diedrich	Class of 1989 John Nuefield
Class of 1990 Tracey Coelho Jeff Eppler	Class of 1991 Stacey Gilbert Bobby Nash	Class of 1993 Karina Franco Salvador Fuentes Nicole Lake Todd Turner	Class of 1994 Erin Miller
Class of 1995 Juan Arana Jesus Fuentes Martha Guzman Elias Lujan Jose Molina David Ortega Luis D. Perez Josh Ross Jason Zaro	Class of 1996 Cesar Arias Summer Houk Dustin Lowery Carolina Ramirez Pablo Vasquez	Class of 1997 Sandy Catania Stacie Dabbs Jane Diedrich Augie Lope Juan Molina Shannon Norton Paula Pafford Shaun Ramirez Nathan Thomas	Class of 1998 Victor Avila Leticia Campa Jason Davis Vincent Garcia Ryan Lowery Milagros Lujan Rafael Madriz Roberto Perez Tom Phelen Susan Poppa Jose Sepulveda Alberto Torres
Class of 1999 Jordan Fickett Tracey Hansen Bobby Hogue Juan Jacobo Jose Martinez	Class of 2000 Brittany Fickett Reymindo Gamino Vincent Guthrie Anthony Rodriguez Erin Trujillo	Class of 2001 Mariam Arias Omar Hernandez Jeremy Ramirez Matthew Shuemake	Class of 2002 Joel Saldana, Jr. SantosMartinez April Phelen Samantha Serrias Brittany Westbrook

Patrick Ramirez

#### Class of 2003

Genna Delgado
Karary Gonzalez
Michael Howard
Mayra Magallanes
Johanna Magana
Katie Maiorino
Justine Maiorino
Chris Miller
Manuel Torrez
Amanda Trujillo
Crystal Rangel

#### Class of 2004

Melissa Cardiel
Vincent Fitch
Luke Hicks
Stacey Norton
Stephanie Percy
Gabrielle Perez
Tracie Robertson
Brain Wood

#### Class of 2005

Michael Barragan Marco Chavez Stephen Hurt Manauri Marquez Jayson Martinez Stephanie Shuemake

#### Class of 2006

John David Calderon
Suzanne Catania
Chad Crockett
Cheryl Hogue
Samantha Miller
George Ortiz
Maricruz Silva
Brittany Wood
Tiffany Wood

## **Class of 2007**

Noelle Catania
John Cortez
Jessica Coursey
Kayla Diedrich
Katelyn Hicks
Adam Quinteros

#### Class of 2008

Amy Crockett
Martha Marin
Ricardo Lomas
Anthony Delgado

#### Class of 2009

Cristal Sanchez
Dillon Knight
Michael Ortiz
Lauren Diedrich
Juan Guana
Quinton Parker

## Class of 2010

Miryam Magallon
Alba Marquez
Amanda Quinteros
Skottlynn Snyder
Andrew Mc Bee
Fiona Jasso
Desiree Gonzales
Joshua Cortez
Brittney Alvarado

## **Class of 2011**

Mayra Magallon Yuriana Aguilar Tate Parker Kimberly Celaya Ian McCarthy Anthony Salceda Gerald Castenada

## Class of 2012

Stephaine Barrera
Emmanuel Carrillo
Michael Diedrich
Jared Eldson
Dani Knight
Tucker Knight
Jordan Madrid
Alexis Ontiveros
Jacob Phelen
Alexis Ontiveros
Alejandra Rosa

## Class of 2013

Joshua Allen Francisco Cuevas Matthew De Arcos John Favela Jesus Ferriera Oscar Fraga Sydney Kyle Amber La Salle Jennifer Ledford Morgan Molina Madison Narbaitz Luis Ortiz Natalynn Parker Jacob Quinteros Fernando Serna Daniel Verduzco Anthony Valdez

## Class of 2014

Yadira Aquilar Jason Allen **Anthony Argueta** Aaron Caballero Antonio Choperena Jonathan Crank Elias Fernandez Betsy Lanuza Christopher Lopez Lizette Lopez Ysela Macias Nicole Maldonado Morgan Meza **Armand Molina** Aaron Mora Sierra Mora Loren Mumby

## Class of 2014 (cont.)

Armando Paredes
Jose Rivas
Marcos Rojas
Eduardo Rubio
Holland Snyder
Jennifer Vallejo

### Class of 2015

Daniel Alvarez Isaac Bautista Liliana Berber **Eddie Cardiel** Aldo Cuahizo Jose Cuahizo **Eric Chicas** Cassidy Diedrich Teddi Diedrich Eric Duran Marcel Espinoza Jesus Garcia Allen Gutierrez Brayan Gutierrez Chelsea Guaydacan Gerardo Hernandez Juan Lara Austin La Salle Eli Ledford Ana Llamas Gilberto Mendoza Jason Melchor Manuel Mondragon Ivan Mendoza Damien Nunez Daniela Reves Ole Rivera Alfredo Rodriguez Anastacia Rojas Aric Rodriguez Eric Rodriguez Danny Saucedo Yadira Valencia Jose Vilchis Nathaniel Vivanco

Juan Zuniga

# **FFA Degrees**

# American Degree

The American FFA Degree is awarded to FFA members who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to FFA and made significant accomplishments in their Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAEs). Approximately 3,500 American FFA Degrees are handed out each year at the National FFA Convention. That number represents less than half of one percent of all FFA members, making it one of the organization's highest honors. In addition to their degree, each recipient receives a gold American FFA Degree key.

FFA members who qualify for the American FFA Degree:

- Have received a Greenhand FFA Degree, Chapter FFA Degree and State FFA Degree.
- Have been FFA members for at least three years.
- Have completed at least three years (540 hours) of high school agriculture classes, or 2 years of high school agriculture classes and one year of college agriculture classes (360 hours.)
- Have graduated from high school one year prior to the National FFA Convention at which their degree will be awarded.
- Have maintained detailed SAE records, which demonstrate outstanding planning, managerial and financial skills.
- Have earned and productively invested at least \$7,500, or have earned and productively invested at least \$1,500 and worked 2,250 hours beyond scheduled school hours through their SAEs.
- Have a record of outstanding leadership skills.
- Have a record of participating in community service activities. Updated Community Service Requirements
- Have maintained a "C" grade average or better.

# American FFA Degree Recipients

Class o	of 1988
Teddi S	Snyder
Dustin :	Snyder

Class of 1996 Jesus Fuentes Class of 1999
Jane Diedrich
Paula Pafford

Class of 2000
Alberto Torres
Jason Diedrich
Jason Davis
Bobby Peres
Tom Phelen

Class of 2001
Bobby Hogue
Patrick Ramirez
Tracey Hansen
Jordan Fickett

Class 2002
Anthony Rodriguez
Brittany Fickett

Class of 2003 Joel Saldana Class of 2004
Tyler Britton
Luke Hicks
Brian Wood

Class of 2006
Manauri Marquez
Traci Robertson
Katie Maiorino

Class of 2008 Brittany Wood Katelyn Hicks Class of 2011
Quinton Parker
Dillon Knight
Amy Crockett

Class of 2012
Alba Marquez
Kimberly Celaya

Class of 2013
Yuriana Aguilar
Michael Diedrich
Jordan Madrid
Tate Parker
Skotlynn Snyder

Class of 2014
Sydney Kyle
Jennifer Ledford
Morgan Molina
Madison Narbaitz
Alexis Ontiveros
Alex Quinteros

Class of 2015
Joshua Allen
Amber LaSalle
Natalynn Parker
Colton Stuhr

## FIREBAUGH FFA CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

### Article I. Name and Purposes

- Section A. The name of this organization shall be the Firebaugh FFA Chapter. The letters "FFA" will be used to designate the chapter, its activities, and its members.
- Section B. The purpose for which this chapter is formed by is as follows:
  - 1. To develop agricultural leadership skills among all members.
  - 2. To develop a global awareness of agriculture.
  - 3. To bestow confidence among agricultural student and the work.
  - 4. To promote agriculture career opportunities through hands-on training.
  - 5. To develop competencies in communication, human relations, and social abilities.
  - 6. To build cooperative attitudes among agricultural students.
  - 7. To encourage improvement in scholastics.
  - 8. To provide organized recreational activities for agriculture students.

#### Article II. Organization

- Section A. The Firebaugh FFA Chapter is a chartered local entity of the West Fresno Madera Section of the California Association, made up of local members.
- Section B. This chapter accepts in full the provision in the constitution and bylaws of the California Association of the FFA as well as those of the National FFA Organization.

#### Article III. Membership

- Section A. Membership is limited to students enrolled in Agriculture Education at Firebaugh High School.
- Section B. Membership of graduates is limited to students that were active members in high school.

- Section C. The Firebaugh FFA is a 100% affiliated chapter with every student becoming a member of the FFA when they enroll in an agriculture class.
- Section D. No student may participate in any FFA activities unless they are members in good standing with the FFA. In order to be in good standing with the FFA a student must owe no money to the FFA, and their name must not appear on the ineligible list.
- Section E. The FFA advisors at their own discretion have the right to dismiss any members from the FFA organization at anytime with approval of the administration.
- Section F. Membership in this chapter shall be of three kinds:
  - 1. Active Any student enrolled in an agriculture education program.
  - 2. Alumni Any person who has formerly been enrolled in an agriculture education program or in other ways interested in supporting the FFA.
  - 3. Honorary Any person who has helped to advance agriculture education and the FFA and who have rendered outstanding service may be elected to honorary membership.
- Section G. The regular work of this chapter shall be carried on by the active membership.
- Section H. Honorary membership in the chapter shall be limited to the Honorary FFA Degree.
- Section I. There shall be four levels of active degree attainment in the Firebaugh FFA Chapter.
  - 1. The Greenhand FFA Degree
    - All Greenhand Degree recipients are entitled to wear the regulation bronze emblem charm.
  - 2. The Chapter FFA Degree
    - All members holding the Chapter FFA Degree are entitled to wear the silver emblem pin.
  - 3. The State FFA Degree

- All members holding the State FFA Degree are entitled to wear the regulation gold emblem charm.
- 4. The American FFA Degree
  - All members holding the American FFA Degree are entitled to wear the regulation gold emblem key.

## Section J. Greenhand FFA Degree. Minimum qualifications for election:

- 1. Be enrolled in agricultural education and have satisfactory plans for a Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.
- 2. Learn and explain the FFA Creed, Motto, and Salute.
- 3. Describe and explain the meaning of the FFA emblem and colors.
- 4. Demonstrate a knowledge of the FFA Code of Ethics and the proper use of the FFA jacket.
- 5. Demonstrate knowledge of history of the organization, chapter constitution and bylaws and the chapter Program of Activities.
- 6. Have access to the Official FFA Manual and the FFA Student Handbook.
- 7. Submit a written application for the Greenhand FFA Degree.

#### Section K. Chapter FFA Degree. Minimum qualifications for election:

- 1. Must have received the Greenhand FFA Degree.
- 2. Must be enrolled in their second year of agricultural education and have an approved Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.
- 3. Participate in planning and conducting of at least three official chapter functions.
- 4. Have earned at least \$150.00 or worked at least 45 hours and have developed plans for the growth of their SOEP.
- 5. Have effectively led a group discussion for 15 minutes.
- 6. Have demonstrated five procedures of Procedure Law.
- 7. Show progress towards individual achievement in the FFA awards' programs.
- 8. Have a satisfactory scholastic record.
- 9. Submit a written application for the Chapter FFA Degree.

#### Section L. State FFA Degree. Minimum qualifications for election:

1. Qualifications for the State FFA Degree are those set forth in the Constitution of the National FFA Organization.

Section M. American FFA Degree. Minimum qualifications for election:

1. Qualifications for the American FFA Degree are those set forth in the Constitution of the National FFA

### Organization.

Section N. Special committees shall review the qualifications of members and make recommendations to the chapter concerning degree advancement.

#### Article IV. Officers

Section A. The FFA offices for the Firebaugh FFA Chapter shall be as follows:

1.) President

5.) Reporter

2.) Vice President

6.) Sentinel

3.) Secretary

7.) Historian

4.) Treasurer

Section B. The Officers shall be elected or confirmed by a majority vote of the active members.

- \* The advisors and current chapter officers have the right to operate outside of the constitution for special circumstances not addressed.
- Section C. The nominating committee shall be composed of the 12th grade chapter officers and the FFA advisors. Upon reviewing officer applications for chapter office, students will be slated as candidates on the ballot.
- Section D. All officer vacancies, during the term of office, shall be filled by a majority vote of the chapter officers with the exception of the president. The Vice-President shall fill vacancy. The president shall nominate candidates for the committee's consideration.

Section E. Officers Eligibility. Minimum qualifications to run for chapter office:

- 1. Must be academically eligible to run for a FFA office.
- 2. For offices of President and Vice President, the applicant must have already completed at least three years of Agriculture classes, and/or hold the Chapter FFA Degree.
- 3. Other offices require that they have completed a year of an Ag class, and hold the Greenhand Degree.
- 4. Must enroll in the agriculture leadership class.

Section F. Officer Probation due to academic ineligibility
Any officer who becomes academically ineligible during their term of
office will be put on a one-time probationary four-week suspension.
At the end of four weeks a grade check will be due to the advisors.

While officers are on probation they will not participate in any FFA affiliated activities. If the student meets grade requirements they will be immediately reinstated. If the officer remains academically ineligible they will be immediately removed from office.

- \* Grades will be based on quarter report cards
- \* Officer participation during the probationary period will be at the advisors discretion.

#### Article V. Impeachment of Officers

Section A. Immediate Impeachment.

The FFA advisors may at any time at their own discretion remove an officer who has repeatedly disregarded his/her duties by not fulfilling them to his/her best ability.

#### Article VI. Executive Committee

- Section A. Executive Meetings shall be held as needed.
- Section B. Standard meeting paraphernalia shall be used at each meeting. All special meetings shall open and close with the official ceremony. Parliamentary Procedure shall be used in transacting all business at each meeting.
- Section C. Hats shall not be worn in the meeting room.
- Section D. Poor conduct will result in that member being dismissed from the meeting room.
- Section E. Delegates go through an application process headed by the Ag staff to be able to represent the chapter at the State Convention.

  Other delegates may be named as necessary in order to have proper representation at various other FFA meetings within the state.

#### Article VII. Dues

Section A. As long as Incentive Grant funds are available dues shall be paid for all members through that source.

## Article VIII. Eligibility

- Section A. Eligibility of members exhibiting at fairs and shows will be based on the advisors discretion.
- Section B. Members must be academically eligible to participate above the chapter level.
- Section C. See rules of article IV section G of the Firebaugh FFA Chapter.

#### Article IX. Amendments

Section A. To amend the constitution, a majority vote of the Executive Committee is required.

#### Article X. Ratification of the Constitution

Section A. This constitution shall become effective when passed by the executive committee and advisors.

# Firebaugh FFA Chapter Former Presidents

School Year	President
1982-1983	William Feliz
1983-1984	Teddi Snyder
1984-1985	Sandy Applewhite
1985-1986	Gina Diaz
1986-1987	Shelly Nash
1987-1988	Johnny Neufield
1988-1989	Jared Banta
1989-1990	Jared Banta
1990-1991	Dustin Dillard
1991-1992	Scott Kreighbaum
1992-1993	Karina Franco
1993-1994	Saul Fuentes
1994-1995	Erin Miller
1995-1996	David Ortega
1996-1997	Shannon Norton
1997-1998	Milagros Lujan
1998-1999	Roberto Perez
1999-2000	Jordan Fickett
2000-2001	Anthony Rodriguez
2001-2002	April Phelen
2002-2003	Joel Saldana
2003-2004	Katie Maiorino
2004-2005	Traci Robertson
2005-2006	Manuari Marquez
2006-2007	Cheryl Hogue
2007-2008	Katelyn Hicks
2008-2009	Ricardo Lomas
2009-2010	Michael Ortiz
2010-2011	Skottlynn Snyder
2011-2012	Yuriana Aguilar
2012-2013	Stephanie Barrera
2013-2014	Natalyn Parker
2014-2015	Loren Mumby
2015-2016	Gracie Martinez

# Firebaugh FFA Awards & Recognition

## **Proficiency Awards**

The Agricultural Proficiency Awards honor FFA members who, through their SAEs, have developed specialized skills that they can apply toward their future careers. Students can compete for awards in 49 areas covering everything from Agricultural Communications to Wildlife Management.

Placement proficiency awards are given to those whose SAEs are related to employment, apprenticeships, or internships at an agribusiness or agriculture-related organization. Entrepreneurship proficiency awards are given to those whose SAEs are related to ownership of an agribusiness or agriculture-related organization. Proficiency awards are given out at the local, state and national levels.

# West Fresno-Madera Sectional Proficiency Winners

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Student	Proficiency Area	Year
Sal Fuentes	Cereal Grain Production	1993-1994
Jesus Mendoza	Specialty Animal Production	1994-1995
Josh Ross	Poultry Production	1994-1995
Jesus Fuentes	Forage Crop	1994-1995
Stacie Dabbs	Ag Communications	1996-1997
Jane Diedrich	Equine Science	1996-1997
Paula Pafford	Fiber Crop Production	1996-1997
Nathan Thomas	Landscape Management	1996-1997
Pablo Vasquez	Soil and Water Management	1996-1997
Leticia Campa	Vegetable Production	1997-1998
Jane Diedrich	Diversified Livestock Production	1997-1998
Jason Diedrich	Equine Science	1997-1998
Vincent Garcia	Turf Grass Management	1997-1998
Bobby Hogue	Oil Crop Management	1997-1998
Tom Phelen	Soil and Water Management	1997-1998
Alberto Torres	Diversified Crop Management	1997-1998
Bobby Hogue	Oil Crop Management	1998-1999
Tom Phelen	Soil and Water Management	1998-1999
Vincent Garcia	Turf Grass Management	1998-1999
Jason Diedrich	Diversified Crop Production	1998-1999
Jordan Fickett	Specialty Animal Production	1998-1999
Anthony Rodriguez	Ag Mechanics Placement	2000-2001
Mathew Shuemake	Emerging Agriculture Technology	2000-2001
Clayton Best	Turf Grass Management	2002-2003

# West Fresno-Madera Sectional Proficiency Winners

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Student	Proficiency Area	Year
Michael Howard	Agriculture Sales and Service	2002-2003
Joel Saldana	Diversified Crop Production	2002-2003
Chris Miller	Beef Production	2002-2003
Chris Demmers	Landscape Management	2003-2004
Brian Wood	Agricultural Service	2003-2004
Marco Chavez	Agricultural Mechanics Repair & Maintenance	2003-2004
Chris Demmers	Turf Management	2004-2005
Luke Hicks	Forage Crop Production	2004-2005
Brian Wood	Agricultural Service	2004-2005
Garrett Blanchard	Beef Production	2006-2007
Amy Crockett	Sheep Production	2006-2007
Cheryl Hogue	Swine Production	2006-2007
Martha Marin	Poultry Production	2006-2007
Adam Quinteros	Pomology Production	2006-2007
Garrett Blanchard	Poultry Production	2007-2008
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production	2007-2008
Ashley Cortez	Specialty Animal Production	2007-2008
Amanda Quinteros	Swine Production	2007-2008
Martha Marin	Vegetable Production	2007-2008
Quinton Parker	Diversified Crop Production	2008-2009
Dillon Knight	Pomology Production	2008-2009
Luis Linares	Poultry Production	2008-2009
Amy Crockett	Sheep Production	2008-2009
Miryam Magallon	Sheep Production	2008-2009
Martha Marin	Specialty Animal Production	2008-2009
Dillon Knight	Agricultural Services	2009-2010
Dillon Knight	Pomology Production	2009-2010
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production	2009-2010
Jacob Phelen	Swine Production	2009-2010
Jordan Madrid	Wildlife Production and Management	2009-2010
Amber LaSalle	Dairy Cattle Production	2010-2011
Alba Marquez	Specialty Animals Entrepreneurship	2010-2011
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production Entrepreneurship	2010-2011
Jason Allen	Grain Entrepreneurship	2011-2012
Alba Marquez	Goat Production	2011-2012
Joshua Allen	Grain Production Placement	2011-2012
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production Entrepreneurship	2011-2012
Stephanie Barrera	Poultry Production	2012-2013
Joshua Allen	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2012-2013
Jason Allen	Grain Production Placement	2012-2013
Marcos Rojas	Outdoor Recreation	2012-2013

# West Fresno-Madera Sectional Proficiency Winners

Student	Proficiency Area	School Year
Loren Mumby	Forage Production	2012-2013
Holland Snyder	Production	2012-2013
Amber La Salle	Dairy Production Placement	2012-2013
Jason Allen	Fiber Crop Production	2012-2013
Joshua Allen	Diversified Crop Production	2013-2014
Jason Allen	Fruit Production	2013-2014
Loren Mumby	Agricultural Services	2013-2014
Holland Snyder	Forage Production	2013-2014
Joshua Allen	Grain Production Placement	2013-2014
Jason Allen	Fiber&Oil Crop	2013-2014
Jenny Vallejo	Poultry Production	2013-2014
Holland Snyder	Sheep Production	2013-2014
Marcos Rojas	Wildlife Management	2013-2014
Christopher Lopez	Diversified Horticulture	2013-2014
Holland Snyder	Sheep Production	2014-2015

# San Joaquin Regional Proficiency Winners

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Student	Proficiency Area	School Year
Sal Fuentes	Cereal Grain Production	1993-1994
Jesus Fuentes	Forage Crop	1994-1995
Jane Diedrich	Equine Science	1996-1997
Leticia Campa	Vegetable Production Placement	1997-1998
Bobby Hogue	Oil Crop Production Placement	1997-1998
Jason Diedrich	Diversified Animal Production	1998-1999
Garrett Blanchard	Beef Production	2006-2007
Cheryl Hogue	Swine Production	2006-2007
Martha Marin	Poultry Production	2006-2007
Garrett Blanchard	Beef Production	2007-2008
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production	2008-2009
Jordan Madrid	Wildlife Production & Management	2010-2011
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production	2011-2012
Jason Allen	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2011-2012
Stephanie Barrera	Poultry Production	2012-2013
Jason Allen	Grain Production Placement	2012-2013
Joshua Allen	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2013-2014
Loren Mumby	Agricultural Services Placement	2013-2014
Holland Snyder	Sheep Production	2013-2014
Jason Allen	Fiber & Oil Production	2013-2014
Marcos Rojas	Wildlife Production	2013-2014
Christopher Lopez	Diversified Horticulture	2013-2014

# California State Proficiency Winners

Student	Proficiency Area	School Year
Sal Fuentes	Cereal Grain Production	1993-1994
Jane Diedrich	Equine Science	1996-1997
Jason Diedrich	Diversified Animal Production	1998-1999
Garrett Blanchard	Beef Production	2006-2007
Jordan Madrid	Wildlife Production & Management	2010-2011
Skottlynn Snyder	Sheep Production	2011-2012
Jason Allen*	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2011-2012
Stephanie Barrera	Poultry Production	2012-2013
Joshua Allen	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2012-2013
Jason Allen	Grain Production Placement	2012-2013
Jason Allen	Fiber & Oil Production	2013-2014
Joshua Allen	Diversified Crop Entrepreneurship	2013-2014
Christopher Lopez	Diversified Horticulture	2013-2014
Marcos Rojas	Wildlife Management	2013-2014

# **National Proficiency Winners**

Student	Proficiency Area	Year
Jane Diedrich	Equine Science	1997
Jason Diedrich	Diversified Animal Production	1999
Jordan Madrid	Gold- Wildlife Entrepreneurship	2011
Skottlyn Snyder	Gold- Sheep Production	2012
Jason Allen	Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2012
Joshua Allen	Silver- Grain Production Entrepreneurship	2013
Jason Allen	Silver- Grain Production Placement	2013
Stephanie Barrera	Gold- Poultry Production	2013

# **State Awards**

Student	Award	Year
Skottlyn Snyder	California National Star Farmer Candidate	2013
Joshua Allen	West Fresno Madera Star Farmer	2013
	West Fresno Madera Star Placement	
	San Joaquin Regional Star Farmer	
Loren Mumby	West Fresno Madera Star Agri-Business	2014
•	San Joaquin Region Star Agri-Business	
	California State Star Agri- Business	
Jason Allen	West Fresno Madera Star Placement	2014
Joshua Allen	West Fresno Madera Star Farmer	2014
	San Joaquin Region Star Farmer	
	California State Star Farmer	

# National Star Chapter Award

	School Year	Ranking	
-	2004	2 Star	
	2005	2 Star	
	2006	3 Star	
	2007	2 Star	
	2008	2 Star	
	2009	3 Star	
	2010	2 Star	
	2011	3 Star	
	2012	1 Star	

# California State Winning Judging Teams

## **Computer Application Team- 2005**

David Ortega Mishia Rodriguez Jason Zaro

Coach: Gina Gravatt

### **Computer Application Team- 2007**

Noelle Catania
Katelyn Hicks
Cheryl Hogue
Maricruz Silva- High Individual
Coach: Heather Opfergelt

## Best Informed Greenhand - 2002

Clay Best
Melissa Cardiel- High Individual
Vincent Fitch
Stacey Norton
Traci Robertson
Coach: Sheryl Geist

#### Best Informed Greenhand - 2006

Julia Calderon
Amy Crockett- High Indiivdual
Ricardo Lomas
Martha Marin
Mayela Reyes
Coach: Elizabeth Ammon

# Firebaugh FFA Community Service

The Firebaugh FFA Organization feels that community service isn't really a service at all. As community members, we feel it is our duty to step in and help when it is needed. Whether it is making sure community members have food at Thanksgiving or making sure children have a toy to open on Christmas morning, Firebaugh FFA is there and willing to help when the community needs it.

Change Bandits- Firebaugh FFA Leadership class joins up with Kiss Country in their annual change bandit drive. Students collect money and donate it to Valley Children's Hospital for children who lack funds to propel through their respective health problems.

Ag. Awareness Day- We host a day in which we recognize the importance of Agriculture to the preschoolers and elementary students within our community, so that we can get them involved with the chapter and create a lasting positive memory for them about agriculture.

**Bowl-A-Thon-** West Fresno Madera Sectional Bowl-A-Thon is an event that is meant to those individuals who help raise money for Children's Hospital of Central California.

**FFA Food Drive**- We host a food drive during the Thanksgiving season, working with local churches to distribute the food to the needy in our community. We do this so that the nobody in our community goes without having a proper holiday dinner.

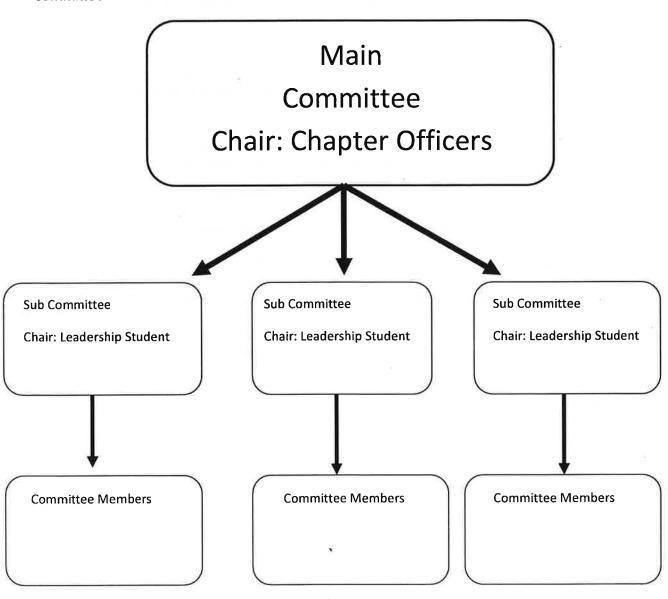
**FFA Toy Drive-** We host a toy drive during the Christmas season, working with local churches to distribute the toys to the needy in our community. This ensures that children throughout ours and adjacent communities can experience the joy of Christmas.

Coats for Kids- Firebaugh FFA and a local radio station work together to bring coats and sweaters to needy children in our area during the winter season. So that no man, woman, or child will lack proper warmth throughout winter.

**Turkey Tickets-** Firebaugh FFA works with local churches to provide meals to families at Thanksgiving that otherwise would go without. The tickets sold are \$.50 each and enters the individual into a drawing for a turkey. The winners will receive a turkey dinner. The money generated went to buying supplies for dinner baskets, that was then given to members of our community that suffer from hunger.

## Committee Structure

There are four main committees: Finance, PR, Student/Chapter and Community Service. Each committee is developed and run by two chapter officers. At workday the officers come up with goals for their committee and a plan of action. The leadership class makes up the bulk of the committee members, but other members are welcome to join as well. While each committee is ran by the officers assigned to the committee, there are sub committees that are ran by leadership students for each task in that committee.



## **Finance Committee**

Goal: The finance committee's primary job is to think of and run the chapter's fundraisers and financial standing reports. They must meet and go over the chapter's expenses and income and plan out when and how the chapter will be fundraising. They are advised by the FFA adviser and one chapter officers.

Committee Officers: Dave Vickery and Mackenzie Demmers

Sub- Committee Chair: Vanessa Almaraz

Members: Dalya Banda, Alberto Berber, Andres Corchado, Warren Correia, Mariana Cortes, and Joseph Delgado

#### Events:

Fall Drive Up Dinner Spring Drive Up Dinner

Candy Sales Silent Auction

Football Concession Stands Dinner Dance

FFA Apparel Chapter Shirts

Field Trip Costs Budgeting

Car Smash Kiss the Pig

#### Objectives and Plans:

- Encouraging thrift and good financial standing. This committee will present a
  monetary account balance and statement as well as spending
  recommendations for the upcoming monthly meeting.
- II. The annual budget will be created and presented at the first official FFA chapter meeting. A quorum must be presented in order to approve a budget as well as any expenditures throughout the year. Throughout the year we also encourage sound financial standing in all of our members' SAE projects.
- III. Members will help organize countless fundraisers regardless of how important it is to the chapter throughout the year. Our chapter's large monetary surplus over the past several years would not have been possible without this committee's success.

# **Community Development Committee**

Goal: They plan runs, food drives, clean up days, teacher appreciation day and any collection drives the chapter participates in. Publicize all chapter activities that are meant for the betterment of the local community. The committee will complete a monthly chapter newsletter that will announce any upcoming community service activities the chapter will be hosting. They are advised by the FFA adviser and two chapter officers

Committee Officers: Gracie Martinez and Yadira Valencia

Sub Committee Chair: Cassidy Diedich

Members: Courtney Diedrich, Lissette Guereca, Maritza Lazcarro, Eli Ledford, Ana Llamas, and Rosita Melendez

#### Events:

Color Run

Change Bandits

Pennies for Patients

Canned Food Drive

**Toy Drive** 

Coat Drive

Community Clean Up

Kids Day

Night in Vegas

**Beef Jerky Sales** 

## Objectives and Plans:

The community development committee is in charge of all community service activities for the chapter.

- I. The Firebaugh FFA chapter realizes that there is a mutual dependency between the success of our chapter and our local community. To ensure that both parties prosper, our Community Development committee engages in a wide scope of activities that are meant for the amelioration of the community of Firebaugh.
- II. The committee members are always looking to help children that are in need of financial support to regain their health. Change Bandits, Color Run, Pennies for Patients, and Kids Day are meant to raise money for children in our own and adjacent communities who struggling with health problems.
- III. Activities such as the Coat drive, Toy Drive, and the Canned food Drive are non-profit fundraisers that supply under privileged people with coats, toys, and food for the holidays.

# **Student Development Committee**

Goal: This committee spearheads our FFA chapter's drive to develop an emphasis on personal growth, encouraging members to be premier leaders, and for them to develop a successful career regardless of occupation. The student development committee wishes to ensure that the FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students. This committee is advised by the advisor and two chapter officers.

Committee Officers: Austin La Salle and Mayte Magallon

Sub Committee Chairs: Fayzah Moshen

Members: Oscar Moreno, Daniela Ocegueda, Mitzi Olivas, Emely Perez, Emily Perez,

and Taylor Quintana

Events:

Greenhand Ice cream social MFE& ALA Promotional Event

State Conference Promotional Event GLC Promotional Event

National Convention Promotional Event Agricultural Industry Tours

Objectives and Plans-

Inform the members of the endless opportunities that the FFA has to offer.

- I. Events put on by the Student Development Committee are designed to promote attendance of events such as GLC, MFE, and state conference to ensure our members develop premier leadership by garnering leadership qualities that are imperative to creating a leader.
- II. In addition to refining leadership qualities this committee focuses heavily on personal growth. This is achieved by encouraging members to become more involved in the FFA and giving them the capabilities to be a fantastic asset to humanity in their future.
- III. This committee also conducts Agricultural Industry tours, so that the members can begin to grasp the full scope of this vital agricultural industry; giving the chapter the capabilities to arm our members with the ability to have a successful career.

# **Chapter Development Committee**

Goal: The Chapter Development committee is in charge of chapter publicity, planning and organizing chapter activities, and informing prominent community members and school administration. They focus on putting together the chapter scrapbook, newsletter, newspaper articles, announcements and publicizing chapter activities. They are advised by the FFA advisor and two chapter officers.

Committee Officers: Paola Gonzalez and Rocio Berber

Sub Committee Chair: Karen Rodriguez

Members: Sandy Rubio, Alondra Sevilla, Sabrina Speakes, Brenda Torres, and Amania

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#### Events:

Chapter Scrapbook

Classroom FFA Boards

**Chapter Newsletter** 

**Board Presentations** 

**Newspaper Articles** 

Teacher Appreciation

**Activity Posters** 

Aggie of the Month

#### Objectives and Plans-

Conduct activities to assist in member leadership development and teamwork and to administer public relations activities to promote FFA in a positive light.

- I. To ensure coordination between the FFA chapter and FFA members, school administration, prominent community leaders, and the local agricultural industry
- II. Committee members will assist in both the selection of chapter delegates as well as the logistical planning of FFA state conference
- III. Students will assist in planning the leadership development portion of the summer portion of the chapter officer retreat.
- IV. Committee members will help elect community award receipts for the spring banquet.
- V.Committee members will plan the spring ag awareness day for Hazel M. Bailey elementary school. Members will plan the fall drive up dinner, a major propellant of this chapter's finances.

# **Point Award System**

This year Firebaugh FFA officers and advisors agreed unanimously to bring back the Point Award System. Every two months members will be receiving point forms in their Ag classes. The 20 highest scores at the end of the year will go to Magic Mountain on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

### STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

#### A. Leadership

#### Leadership in Chapter

t.	Delegate to National Convention		<u>15</u>
II.	Attend National Convention	Y.	<u>10</u>
III.	Delegate to State Convention		<u>8</u>
IV.	Committee Activity at State Convention		<u>10</u>
٧.	Attend State Convention		<u>6</u>
VI.	Attend One Day State Convention		<u>2</u>
VII.	Delegate to Regional Meeting		<u>5</u>
VIII.	Greenhand Leadership Conference		<u>5</u>
IX.	Made For Excellence/ Advanced Leadership Academy		<u>7</u>
Χ.	Sacramento Leadership Experience		<u>10</u>
XI.	Present at monthly meetings	(2 pts per me	eting)
XII.	Attend Sectional Activities		<u>3</u>
XIII.	Attend Regional Meeting		<u>4</u>
XIV.	Aggie of the Month		<u>5</u> <u>3</u>
XV.	Setting Up for Monthly Meeting		<u>3</u>

#### B. Supervised Agricultural Experience

#### Fair Awards

1.	First Place	<u>5</u>
11.	Second Place	<u>4</u>
Ш.	Third – Fifth Place	<u>2</u>

	IV.	Round	d Robin Participant		<u>7</u>
	V.	Round	d Robin Winner	5	<u>7</u> <u>9</u>
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	V.		Proficiency Award Finalist(Top 3)		<u>9</u>
	VI.		iency Award Winner		_
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		d. N	lational		<u>20</u>
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×	i.	Field D	ays		
	a		eted Team/Individual		<u>3</u>
	b	2 <sup>nd</sup> -5 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>h</sup> place Team/Individual		<u>5</u>
	C.	1 <sup>st</sup> Te	am/Individual		<u>6</u>
	11.	State	Finals		
	а	Comp	eted Team/Individual		<u>7</u>
	b	6 <sup>th</sup> -10	<sup>th</sup> High Team/Individual		<u>7</u> <u>8</u>
	C.	2 <sup>nd</sup> -5 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>h</sup> High Team/Individual		<u>10</u>
	d	1 <sup>st</sup> Hig	gh Team/Individual		<u>12</u>
	III.	Natio			<u>20</u>
			CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT		
A.	Recru	<u>iitment</u>			
	ı.	Prese	ntation to 8 <sup>th</sup> grade		5
			103		

II.	Greenhand Ice Cream Social	<u>2</u>
III.	Greenhand Degree Recipient	<u>3</u>
IV.	Chapter Degree Recipient	<u>5</u>
V.	State Degree Recipient	<u>10</u>
VI.	American Degree Recipient	<u>30</u>

#### B. <u>Financial</u>

1.	Fundraiser Participant	(5pts per box)
11.	Ticket Sales	(5pt=1ticket)

## C. Public Relations

١.	Participation in FFA Week Activities	(2pt each event)
11.	Scrapbook Participation	<u>4</u>
III.	Attend Chapter Banquet	<u>3</u>

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

#### A. Human Resources

١.	Donation to Canned Food Drive	(2pts for 5 cans)
11.	Donation to Toy and Coat Drive	(1pt per toy)
III.	Ag Awareness Day	<u>6</u>
IV.	Kids Day	<u>6</u>

# 2015-2016 Star Greenhand Application

ame:		
<sup>d</sup> Quarter GPA:	Greenhand Office (if any):	
st Agriculture Courses C	currently Enrolled in:	
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st Chapter Level Activitie	es You Have Participated in:	
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ist Sectional Regional o	r State Activities You Have Participated in:	

List you	List your current SAE project/s, your future plans, and when you started:				
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### 2015-2016 Greenhand Officer Application

Name:		
Address:		<del></del>
Telephone:	Age:	
Office Applying For:		
1 <sup>st</sup> Choice:		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice:		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice:		
Future FFA Plans:		
t.		
Why do you want to be a Greenhand Office	r?	
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What FFA contests and activities do you plan to participate	in this sch	ool year?
What can you contribute to the FFA chapter if you were elec	cted into o	ffice?
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Please circle:		
I am willing to work at lunch and after school as necessary	Yes	No
I will be a responsible person and carry out all job duties	Yes	No
I will attend all activities required of me	Yes	No
I understand I will be moved from office if I fail to meet ALL of my duties	Yes	No
I will make FFA my priority	Yes	No
Applications Due by Tuesday, September	9, 201	5
Group Interview Monday, September 15, 2	2015	
Applicant Signature:		
Date signed:		
Chapter Officer Application	ation	

#### 2015 - 2016 Firebaugh FFA Chapter Officer Application

General Information:
Name of Applicant:
Year in School:Year in FFA;
Degree Currently Held:
Office Applying for:
First Choice:
Second Choice:
Third Choice:
Short Answer:
1. Why do you desire to be a Chapter Officer?
<ol><li>Explain your SOE project with respect to type, size and potential growth. What are your future SOE project plans?</li></ol>

3. What are your future FFA plans

4.	What have	you contributed to	the Firebaugh	FFA Chapter	during the past y	/ear?
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5. What can you contribute to the Firebaugh FFA Chapter if you are elected to office?

### List (One line explanations):

- What is your community service involvement (FFA, church, school, etc.)?

   a. \_\_\_\_\_

   b. \_\_\_\_\_

   c. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. What FFA leadership activities have you been involved in (office positions, conferences, chairpersons, SAE, delegate, etc.)?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_

b.	
c.	
d.	
e.	
	different FFA contests have you competed in (opening/closing, judging , speaking, banking, etc.)?
a.	
b.	
C.	
1. What i	non-FFA activities are you involved in (ASB, sports, CSF, church, etc.)?
a.	<del></del>
b.	
C.	
5. Grade	Point Average:

- 6. Please Check:
  - a. I am willing to work at lunch and after school as necessary.

			Yes		No
	b.	I will make arı	rangement to Yes	attend an officer trai	ning during the summer. No
	c.	I will enroll in class for the I	ENTIRE scho		ool year and remain in the
			a <b>2.25 GPA</b>	throughout my term	in office.
		I will be respo	nsible and ca Yes	arry out all job duties.	_ No
		I will attend al		quired of me.	_ No
	g.	I understand duties.		ved from my office if	I fail to meet all of my
Signature	e of	Applicant:			
Signature	e of	Parent/Guardi	an:		
		2016 Sta	r Chapte	er Farmer Ap	plication
Name: _					
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Chapter Office (if any):			
List agriculture courses cu	rrently enrolled in:		
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SAE description (in detail):	
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### 2016 Outstanding Junior Application

Name:		 
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter GPA:		

Chapter Office (if any):	
ist agriculture courses currently enrolled in:	
ist chapter level activities you have participated in:	
ist Sectional, Regional or State activities you have participated	d in:
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ist Your Current SAE Project/s:	

When Started:
Future plans of growth:
SAE description (in detail):
2016 Outstanding Senior Application
Name:

List chapter level activities you have participated in:  List Sectional, Regional or State activities you have participated in:	Chapter Office (if any):
List chapter level activities you have participated in:  List Sectional, Regional or State activities you have participated in:	List agriculture courses currently enrolled in:
List Sectional, Regional or State activities you have participated in:	
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List Your Current SAE Project/s:	
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When Started:		
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Future plans of growth:		
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SAE description (in detail):		
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### MADE FOR EXCELLENCE & ADVANCED LEADERSHIP ACADEMY APPLICATION

MFE and ALA will take place on February 19-20 in Visalia (Students will be missing class on the 13<sup>th</sup>) MFE is a leadership conference designed specifically for second year students with ALA being for third and fourth year members. Students who are chosen to attend will need to pay half of the

\$100 registration fee with Firebaugh Agricultural Department paying the rest. Students attend the conference in a hotel and stay in a room with three other FFA members. Dinner on Friday and breakfast Saturday will be included. If the student, for any reason cannot attend the conference, he/she must reimburse, he/she must reimburse the Firebaugh Agricultural Department for the total cost of the conference.

Application DUE Frida	ay, December 18, 2016			
Name:		Grade:	Years in Ag:	
Briefly describe SAE p future.	projects that you have o	lone in the past, are	currently doing, or plan to d	o in the
List the teams that yo	ou have participated on	or plan to participa	te on.	
TEAM	YEAR(S)	TEAM	YEAR(S)	
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<del>1</del>				
In 5 sentences or mor	re tell why you would lil	ke to go to this con	ference.	
2016 Firel	baugh FFA	State Conv	ention Applicat	ion
Applicant's Name: _				
Age:		Grade:		

1. List all offices you have held in FFA: (Chapter, Section, Region)

2. List reasons why would like to attend the State FFA Convention.

3. Describe your leadership qualities which would be a benefit to our chapter>

4. Briefly explain your SAE.

5. List ten accomplishments or significant activities you have achieved as a member of the FFA:

6.	Describe why	you should	be selected	to serve	as a	delegate.
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I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be true correct. I understand the responsibilities expected of me and I will do my best to comply with them if selected to attend the state convention.

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(Signature	of	applicant)

I understand the responsibilities expected of my son/daughter and I support their decision to attend the State FFA Convention.

(Signature of parent/guardian)

### Chapter Roster

Abdullah	Asrar	Aguilar	Sabrina	Aguirre	Gustavo
Abrego	Jose	Aguilar	Yadira	Aguirre	Maritza
Acosta	Yisel	Aguilera	Alexis	Alaniz	Mario

Alaniz	Rosalina	Andrade	Abigail	Bautista	Isaac
Alcaraz	Leonardo	Andrade	Diane	Becerra-Castillo	Alicia
Aldana	Yvette	Andrade	Marcos	Bencomo	Elizabeth
Aleman	Ruben	Anguiano	Angela	Berber	Alberto
Alfaro	David	Argueta	Anthony	Berber	Diego
Alfaro	Erik	Arias	Brenda	Berber	Francisco
Alfaro	Francisco	Arias	Julio	Berber	Liliana
Alfaro	Jazmin	Arias	Luis	Berber	Rocio
Allen	Jason	Arreola	Juana	Berber	Victor
Allen	Joshua	Arreola	Sergio	Bernal	Amold
Allison	Alexa	Аптех	Monica	Blanco	Melany
Almaraz	Maria	Arroyo	Yahaira	Borquez	samantha
Almeraz	Alexis	Avila	Damian	Borquez	Vanessa
Altamirano	Angel	Avila	Roxie	Cabrera	Chris
Alvarado	Mayra	Baez	Isaiah	Cabrera	Savannah
Alvarez	Andrew	Banda	Anthony	Calderon	Manuel
Alvarez	Daniel	Banda	Dayla	Calderon	Rebekah
Alvarez	Jacqueline	Banda	Julian	Callejas	Alexis
Alvarez	Priscilla	Barajas	Gabriel	Camacho	Rene
Amaral	Jenyce	Barrera	Stephanie	Camacho	Yadira
Amaya	Julio	Вагтега	Victoria	Campa	Angelica
Andalon	Israel	Barrios	Julio	Campa	Ferrando

Campos	Giselle	Church	Madison	Cuen	Elexis
Campos	Juan	Cisneros	Nereida	Cuevas	Armando
Cantu	Caterina	Cisneros	Victorino	Cuevas	Francisco
Cardiel	Eddie	Cobian	Sandra	Davila	Eryça
Carranza	Natalia	Coleman	Richard	De La Cruz	Yesenia
Carrillo	Israel	Conrad	Brandon	De La Riva	Karla
Castaneda	Carmen	Conrad	Kristen	De LA Torre	Jonathan
Castillo	Carlos	Corchado	Andres	Dearcos	Matthew
Castillo	Reyann	Corchado	Erik	Dedmon	Cheyenne
Castro	Flor	Cordova	Adrianna	Dedmon	Rosalynne
Cervantes	Felipe	Coronado	Eric	Del Pinal	Yesenia
Cervantes	Jino	Corria	Warren	Delgado	Isidro
Cervantes	Jose	Cortes	Axel	Delgado	Joseph
Cervantes	Vanessa	Cortes	Mariana	Delgado	Maria
Cervantes	Victoria	Cortez	Carlos	Delgado	Miguel A
Cervantes	Yaneth	Cortez	Cassandra	Delgodo	Arnold
Chapa	Thomas	Crank	Jonathon	Demmers	Mackenzie
Chapman	Nathan	Crevolin	Victoria	Diedrich	Cassidy
Chavez	Usbaldo	Cruz	Jose	Diedrich	Courtney
Chicas	Eric	cuahuizo	aldo	Diedrich	Teddi
Chicas	Jaslin	Cuahuizo	Jose	Duarte	Richard
Choperena	Antonio	Cuen	Alexiram	Duran	Eric

Durazo	Daniella	Flores	Rocio	Garcia	Raymond A
Echeveste	Nicholas	Fraga	Elizabeth	Gilley	Hannah
Elizarraras-Cuevas	Melanie	Fraga	Oscar	Godinez	Airely
Escobedo	Gissel	Franco	Salvador	Godoy	Clarissa
Esparza	Alejandro	Gabriel	Andrea	Gomez	Lucero
Espinoza	Marcel	Galindo	Diana	Gonzales	Carolina
Espinoza	Martha	Gallardo	Jesus	Gonzales	Kelsie
Espinoza	Robert	Gallegos	Jose	Gonzales	Orlando
Espitia	Edith	Gallegos	Savannah	Gonzalez	Adelhaid
Espitia	Pedro	Galvan	Kelsey	Gonzalez	Alexsis
Estrada	Andrea	Gamino	Adriana	Gonzalez	Angel
Estrada	Francisco	Gamino	Andrea	Gonzalez	Krystal
Favela	Cherokee	Garcia	Abraham	Gonzalez	Paola
Favela	John	Garcia	Adam	Gonzalez	Yareli
Felix	Alessandra	Garcia	Carlos	Gordan	Jared
Felix	Liliana	Garcia	Jesus	Guardado	Nadezda
Fernandez	Elias	Garcia	Johnny	Guaydacan	Chelsea
Ferreira	Jesus	Garcia	Jonathan	Guereca	Lissette
Flores	Andrea	Garcia	Juan	Guerrero	Iveth
Flores	Damaris	Garcia	Kimberly	Guerrero	Maria
Flores	Edwin	Garcia	Noel	Guerrero	Xiclali
Flores	Jeremy	Garcia	Oscar	Guillen	Kevin

Gurierrez	Fernando	Huaracha	Crystal	Lizarraga	Adriana
Gutierrez	Adrian	Huizache	Rosario	Llamas	Ana
Gutierrez	Allen	Ibarra	Yasmin	Llamas	Luz
Gutierrez	Brayan	Jalomo	Manuel	Lobato	Enrique
Gutierrez	Daniella	Jalomo	Salvador	Lomas	Jennifer
Gutierrez	Jose	Jasso	Jennifer	Looman	Joshua
Gutierrez	Kevin	Jazo	Guillermo	Lopez	Abigail
Gutierrez	Melina	Jimenez	Jessica	Lopez	Alexis
Gutierrez	Pablo	Jimenez	Jocelynn	Lopez	Annette
Guzman	Jacob	Juarez	Janet	Lopez	Brian
Guzman	Joshua	Juarez	Nestor	Lopez	Carlos
Guzman	Naomi	Knight	Dani	Lopez	Christopher
Hall	Austin	Knight	Tucker	Lopez	Dania
Hercules	Marco	Kyle	Sydney	Lopez	Destiny
Hermisillo	Daniel	La Salle	Amber	Lopez	Eric
Hernandez	Alexis	La Salle	Austin	Lopez	Erik
Hernandez	Andrea	Lara	Jose	Lopez	Janette
Hemandez	Elias	Lara	Juan	Lopez	Javier
Hemandez	Gerardo	Lara	Lizeth	Lopez	Lizbeth
Hernandez	Guadalupe	Ledford	Eli	Lopez-Rojas	Sehilin
Hernandez	Melissa	Levya	Alina	Lowry	Hannah
Негтега	Magally	Leyva	Garrett	Lowry	Mark

Loza	Jose	Martinez	Graciela	Medina	Lesley
Luna	Antonio	Martinez	Isaac	Medina	Reggie
Luque	Hector	Martinez	Israel	Medina	Secilia
Macias	Emmanuel	Martinez	Jacqueline	Melchor	Jason
Macias	Fernando	Martinez	James	Melendez	David
Macias	Hugo	Martinez	Jose	Mendez	Alexis
Macias	Jessica	Martinez	Juana	Mendez	Christian
Macias	Ysela	Martinez	Justina	Mendoza	David
Madriz	Antonio	Martinez	Katya	Mendoza	Desiree
Magallanes	Armando	Martinez	Melanie	Mendoza	Gilberto
Magallon	Mayte	Martinez	Michelle	Mendoza	Israel
Magana	Juana	Martinez	Ricardo	Mendoza	Ivan
Magdaleno	Leanne	Martinez	Victor	Mendoza	Kylie
Magdaleno	Mystery	Mcbee	Amanda	Mendoza	Melinda
Maldonado	Nicole	McDonald	Marcel	Mendoza	Ricardo
Manriquez	Eric	McKay	Amber	Meraz	Alexis
Marin	Adrian R.	Medel	Liliana	Meza	Morgan
Martinez	Bianca	Medina	Jasper	Meza	Vanessa
Martinez	Carlos	Medina	Jennifer	Mohamed	Ahali
Martinez	Daniel I	Medina	Josefina	Mohamed	Mohamed
Martinez	Elena	Medina	Joshua	Mohsen	Fayzah
Martinez	Esmeralda	Medina	Juan	Mohsen	Jamilah

Molina	Anthony J.	Nagi	Miriam	Orozco	Adrian
Molina	Brenda	Narbaitz	Madison	Orozco	Cristian
Molina	Esteban	Nava	Fabiola	Orozco	Karina
Molina	Evelyn	Nava	Laura	Ortiz	Luis
Molina	Ignacio	Navarro	Donovan	Ortiz	Rachel
Molina	Juan	Navarro	Dulce	Ovalles	Jonathan
Molina	Morgan	Navarro	Erick	Pacheco	Jennifer
Molina	Rosalva	Negrete	Alexis	Pacheco	Jesus
Mondragon	Manuel	Negrete	Angel	Pacini	Jordan
Montes	Jean Pierre	Negrete	Deamber	Palmer	Ashlynne
Montes	John	Nunez	Damian	Palmer	Tylor
Montes	Marlene	Nunez	Jonathan	Paredes	Armando
Montes	Michael	Nunez	Miguel	Parker	Natalynn
Montes	Rosario	Ocegueda	Daniela	Patlan	Vincent
Montoya	Kenia	Ocegueda	Michael	Pedro	Athena
Mora	Adrianna	Ocozco	Eduardo	Perez	Andrea
Morales	Elizabeth	Ojeda	Isela	Perez	Brenda
Morales	Josh	Olguin	Jacqueline	Perez	Cecilia
Moreno	Armando	Olivas	Isaiah	Perez	Cesar
Moreno	Oscar	Olivas	Mitzi	Perez	Emely
Moya	Wendy	Olson	Jonathon	Perez	Emily A.
Mumby	Loren	Ontiveros	Саппеп	Perez	Itzel

Perez	Julian	Ramirez-Mendez	Berenice	Rocha	Gabriel
Perez	Milca	Ramos	Alexa	Rodriguez	Alfredo
Perez	Priscilla	Ramos	Carlos	Rodriguez	Andrew
Perez	Sandra	Ramos	Jorge	Rodriguez	Aric
Perez	Vanessa E	Rangel	Anthony	Rodriguez	Carlos
Perez-Nava	Hedna	Razaqi	Chelsea	Rodriguez	Daniel
Phillips	Steven	Reyes	Daniela	Rodriguez	Eric
Pina	Bernice	Reyes	Marvin	Rodriguez	Gabriel
Pineda	Fernando	Reyes	Yelene	Rodriguez	Guillermo
Pineda	Mario	Rios	Adrian	Rodriguez	Joe
Puente	Miguel	Rios	Brenda	Rodriguez	Karen
Ramirez	Alexander	Rios	Juan	Rodriguez	Lawrence
Ramirez	Amulfo	Rios	Melissa	Rodriguez	Maria
Ramirez	Fernanda	Rios-Rico	Alberto	Rodriguez	Monica
Ramirez	Joel	Rivas	Arturo	Rodriguez	Ricardo
Ramirez	Jonathan	Rivas	Jose	Rodriguez	Savannah
Ramirez	Juan J	Rivas	Leticia	Rodriguez	Verania
Ramirez	Juanita	Rivas	Oscar	Rojas	Anastacia
Ramirez	Kevin	Rivera	Alexandria	Rojas	Marcos
Ramirez	Maria	Rivera	Guadalupe	Romero	Eduardo
Ramirez	Maria G	Rivera	Olegario	Romero	Mario
Ramirez	Victor	Rivera	Ruben	Rosa	Alejandra

Rosa	Jose An	Santillan	Juana	Stuhr	Colton
Rosa	Juan	Santillan	Susanna	Stuhr	Dalton
Rosales	Paola	Santillan	Vanessa	Tatarakis	Mitchell
Rubio	Eduardo	Santillan	Yadira	Tavares	Jose
Rubio	Luis	Santillan	Yaqueline	Teague	Jason
Rubio	Sandy	Santillan	Yareli	Tiscareno	Alexia
Ruiz	Alexis	Santos	Jennifer	Tiscareno	Karen
Ruiz	Christian	Saucedo	Danny	Toledo	Josie
Ruiz	Jakob	Serrano	Hazel	Топеѕ	Brandon
Ruvalcaba	Marisol	Silva	Brenda	Топеѕ	Brenda
Saavedra	Felipe	Silva	Gloria	Топеѕ	Catalina
Saeed	Frances	Silva	Jacqueline	Torres	Denise
Salas	Briayan	Silva	Jose	Torres	Joshua
Salceda	jorge	Silva	Reymundo	Torres	Maria
Saleh	Rakeb	Snyder	Holland	Tones	Sahaira
Salinas	Deserie	Solano	Fatima	Trejo	Ceanah
Sanchez	Kiyoshi	Solorio	Alexis	Vaca	Jasmine
Sanchez	Niko	Sorto	Flor	Valdez	Annallsia
Sandoval	Alvaro	Sosa	Octavio	Valdez	Anthony
Sandoval	Luis	Soto	Humberto	Valencia	Maria
Sansores	Alexis	Soto	Sergio	Valencia	Ruby
Santillan	Fabian	Speakes	Sabrina	Vallejo	Jennifer

Vallejo	Leonel	Villa	Jose	Yehia	Nader
Vasquez	David	Villa	Liliana	Yepiz	Uriel
Velasquez	Jonathan	Villafana	Jessica	Zambrano	Stephanie
Velazquez	Azucena	Villafuerte	Jocelyn	Zamora	Anthony
Velazquez	Marlen	Villalobos	Elena	Zamora	Jacob
Venegas	Brenda	Villanueva	Luis	Zapata	Johnny
Verduzco	Daniel	villarrea	Jaime	Zarate	Jose
Verduzco	Jose	Villarruel	Jorge	Zavala	Shelly
Vickery	David	Villegas	Omar	Zepeda	David
Vilchis	Jose	Viramontez	Montserrat	Zuniga	Juan
Villa	Edith	Vivanco	Nathaniel	Zuniga	Ricardo
Villa	Francisco	Yanez	Liliana		
Villa	Ivan	Yanez	Sebastian		
Villa	Joanna	Yehia	Amaina		