



# South Dakota FFA Association 2017-2018 State FFA Officers



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## WELCOME

Welcome to the 90<sup>th</sup> South Dakota State FFA Convention! Join us, the 2017-2018 State FFA Officer Team, as we celebrate the accomplishments of South Dakota's over 4,600 FFA members and 89 FFA chapters. Throughout this busy and exciting year, we have seen South Dakota's FFA members excel. These three days will be filled with achievement, inspiration and a passion for agriculture.



### THE FFA MISSION

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

### THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION MISSION

Agriculture education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resource systems.

# Career Development Events (CDE)

## Sunday, April 15, 2018

- 3pm - 5:30pm **Registration for teams, participants & FFA Delegates**  
HPER Center, East Hall
- 4:00pm **Natural Resources**..... Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium  
(use Premier Bank Entrance on west side of stadium)
- 4:00pm **Biotechnology**.....Northern Plains Bio-Stress Lab 184
- 5:00pm **Veterinary Science** ..... Intramural Building
- Ag Mechanics Team Problems**  
Ag Engineering Building Rooms 100, 108, 122, 203
- Food Science and Technology (Individual Events)**  
Intramural Building

## Monday April 16, 2018

- 8am - 4:30pm **Food Science Presentations** ..... Berg 107
- 8:00am **Nursery/Landscape**  
Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium  
(use Premier Bank Entrance on west side of stadium)
- Milk Quality & Products (Team Problems & CA Mastitis)**  
Intramural Building, West Side
- Dairy Cattle Judging (Test)**.....Intramural Building, East Side
- Livestock Judging**.....Animal Science Arena
- Agronomy Judging (Entire Event, Test First)**  
Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium  
(use Premier Bank Entrance on west side of stadium)
- Agricultural Mechanics Hands-On Activity**  
Ag Engineering Building Shop
- Agricultural Business Management (Session 1)**  
Lutheran Student Center, 1404 8th St.
- Meats Evaluation & Technology (Session 1)**  
Animal Science Complex, Meat Lab
- 9:30am - 10:30am **Milk Quality (Session 1 Hands-On Activity)**  
Dairy Science 116, 122
- 10:00am **Floriculture**  
Intramural Building, East Side
- 10:30am-12:00pm **Milk Quality (Session 2 Hands-On Activity)**  
Dairy Science 116, 122
- 11:00am **Range Plant ID (Session 1)** ..... Berg 325
- Meats Evaluation & Technology (Test)**  
Intramural Building, East Side
- 12:00pm **Horse Judging**  
Intramural Building for test, will be bussed to other locations
- 12:00pm-1:30pm **Milk Quality (Session 3 Hands-On Activity)**  
Dairy Science 116, 122
- 1:00pm **Meats Evaluation & Technology (Session 2)**  
Animal Science Complex, Meat Lab
- Agricultural Business Management (Session 2)**  
Lutheran Student Center, 1404 8th St.
- 1:30pm **Range Plant ID (Session 2)** ..... Berg 325
- 2:30pm **Range Plant ID (Session 3)** ..... Berg 325

# CONVENTION

**Saturday, April 14 2018**

1:00pm **State FFA Officer** .....Ag Engineering 100  
**Candidate Interviews**

**Sunday, April 15, 2018**

10am - 5pm **State FFA Officer** .....Ag Engineering 100  
**Candidate Interviews**

2pm **Star Greenhand Interviews** ..... USU 258  
**Star Farmer Interviews** ..... USU 250  
**Star Agribusiness Interviews** ..... USU 253  
**Star Placement Interviews** ..... USU 269  
**Star AgriScience Interviews** ..... USU 265  
(holding in USU 263)

2:00-4:00pm **SD FFA Alumni Annual Meeting** ..... USU 255

2:30pm **State FFA Student** ..... USU 273  
**Ambassador Interviews**

5:00pm **Auditing, Program of Activities, Resolutions**  
**Committee Meetings** ..... HPER, Frost Arena

5:30pm **Past State Officer Reception** ..... HPER 104

5:30-6:45pm **District Officer** .....Frost Arena, SW Corner  
**Gathering**

6:15pm **Sponsor & VIP Reception** ..... HPER Upper Level

*Please be respectful and turn off all electronic devices during all sessions, workshops and CDEs.*

6:30pm **PRE SESSION**

7:00pm **FIRST SESSION** ..... HPER, Frost Arena

**Reflections** ..... 2017-2018 State Officers

**Opening Ceremonies**

**National Anthem** ..... 2018 State Convention Choir

**PSO Welcome** ..... Alison Simon  
2016-2017 State President

**Greetings**

**South Dakota FFA Foundation Presentation**

**Past State Officer Recognition**

**South Dakota FFA Family of the Year Recognition**

**Proficiency Awards - Part 1**

**Retiring Address** .....Avery Gilchrist  
*Strive and Dive*

**American FFA Degree Recognition**

**New Chapter Charter Recognition**

**Retiring Address** ..... April Hamilton  
*Everyday is a Gift, Be Present*

**Proficiency Awards - Part 2**

**Keynote Speaker** ..... Jackson Harris

**Closing Ceremonies**



# CONVENTION

**Monday, April 16, 2018**

9:00am **SD Farmers Union Farm Safety Quiz Bowl** .....USU 260

9am - 3pm **Ag Career Carnival** .....USU Upper Level,  
Gallery & Prairie Lounges

9am - 4pm **Workshops** .....(Schedule on page 14 & 15)

9am - 3pm **Living to Serve Project**..... HPER Center, 2nd Floor Lobby

11:30am **Instructors' Luncheon**..... Campanile, USU 169  
(Invitation Only)

**Sponsored by SDSU College of  
Agriculture & Biological Sciences**

2:00pm **BUSINESS SESSION** ..... HPER, Frost Arena

**Opening Ceremonies** ..... Dalton Larson, Presiding

**Roll Call of Delegates**

**Previous Meeting Minutes**

**Committee Reports**

**National Convention Report**

**New Business**

**Closing Ceremonies**

2:00pm **State FFA Officer** .....USU 253  
**Candidate Interviews**

5:00 - 6:30pm **State FFA Degree Reception** .....Club71,  
Dana J. Dykehouse Stadium

5:45pm **State FFA Degree Reception Presentation by State Officers**

5:00 - 5:45pm **State Star Banquet**.....Couglin-Alumni Lounge,  
Dana J. Dykehouse Stadium



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# CONVENTION

**Monday, April 16, 2018** (continued)

6:00pm **PRE-SESSION**

6:30pm **SECOND ANNUAL TEACH AG SIGNING DAY**

7:00pm **SECOND SESSION**

**Opening Ceremonies**

**Greetings**

**Scholarship Recognition**

**Retiring Address** ..... Dalton Larson  
*The Fire Within*

**State Officer Advisor and Chapter Recognition**

**State Star Pageant**

**Introduction of State Officer Candidates**

**Retiring Address** ..... Clayton Sorum  
*The Teacher Inside*

**Distinguished Service Award Presentation**

**Honorary State Degree Presentation**

**Speaker** ..... Gracie Furnish  
Eastern Region Vice President

**State Degree Ceremony**

**Closing Ceremonies**



**IF YOU HAVE A PLAN TO FARM OR RANCH, WE HAVE A PLAN TO HELP.**

The future of agriculture is our future, too, which is why we work so hard for those who want to be a part of it. Along with youth project loans and college scholarships, we offer financing assistance and guidance. If you have the opportunity to farm or ranch, we'll help you make the most of it.



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# CONVENTION

**Tuesday April 17, 2018**

8:00am **PRE SESSION**

8:30am **THIRD SESSION** ..... HPER, Frost Arena

*Sponsored by: Dakota Access Pipeline*



**Opening Ceremonies**

**Agri-Science Fair Results**

**Retiring Address** ..... Elle Moon  
*Take the Leap*

**National Chapter Awards**

**Recognition of State Officer Parents**

**Service Project Report**

**Retiring Address** ..... Aaron Linke  
*Be the Best Version of You*

**2018 State Convention in Review**

**Career Development Event Results**

**Jacket Sponsor Presentation**

**Ambassador Recognition** ..... Martee Larson  
*Heather Kirkpatrick*

**New Ambassador Election**

**Election and Installation of 2018-2019 State FFA Officers**

**Presentation of Past State Officer Plaques**

**Recognition of State Advisors**

**Closing Ceremonies**



12:30pm

**State FFA Officers & Parents Luncheon**

(Invitation Only)..... Campanile, USU 169

# Thank You

SD FFA thanks South Dakota State University faculty and students from the Ag-Bio Clubs for their time and assistance in making Career Development Events possible!

## Featured Speakers

### Jackson Harris



Jackson Harris was born and raised in the Chattahoochee River town of Eufaula, Alabama. He was actively involved in his local FFA chapter and went on to serve the organization as Alabama State Vice President. In 2013 Jackson was elected to serve as a National FFA Officer. He has a bachelor's degree in Community Development from the University of Alabama and currently works with the volunteers of the National Wild Turkey Federation as East Texas Regional Director. He resides

in College Station, Texas with his dog, Loretta, where he makes time to write country songs and travel around the United States with his friends and family.

### Gracie Furnish

Eastern Region Vice President



Gracie Furnish was elected to the 2017-18 National FFA Officer Team as eastern region vice president at the 90th National FFA Convention & Expo. With a passion for both agriculture and education, Furnish is studying agricultural education at the University of Kentucky. "I want others to see their true potential and harness it to change this world," Furnish says. "I want to advance and advocate our agriculture industry, knowing that

every step we all take makes an impact." Furnish served as the 2016-17 Kentucky FFA Secretary. Through her year of service, Furnish hopes to empower, encourage and cheer on FFA members, sponsors advisors and others.

Watch live streaming of convention sessions:

Sunday, 7:00 - 9:30 pm  
Monday, 7:00 - 10:00 pm  
Tuesday, 8:00 - 11:30 am

visit [sdaged.org](http://sdaged.org) for video link

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Living to Serve



# BE ENGAGED!

**Join the SD FFA Alumni**  
even if you never wore a blue jacket yourself, you can be a SD FFA Alumni Association member and prepare students for a brighter future.

For more information contact:

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## 2018 State Degree Recipients

### Alcester-Hudson

Tori Rasmussen  
Hannah Renken

### Arlington

Kenli Carlson  
Alex Fonseca  
Brent Nelson  
Lexy Spilde  
Isabel Sylvanie

### Belle Fourche

Shayney Peterson  
Dylan Wilbur

### Beresford

Tyler Christensen  
Trystan Olbertson

### Bon Homme

Elizabeth Garness  
Tim Hajek  
David Hassing  
Rachel Pechous  
Noah Schenkel  
Bryce Scieszinski

### Brandon Valley

Allen Wright

### Bridgewater-Emery

Lindsey Berg  
Lucas Berg  
Haley Hofer  
Rebecca Hoffman  
Jessica Jaeger  
Cassandra Kerkhove  
Bradlee Schultz  
Duot VanSickle  
Eunice Vinales  
Dustin Weber

### Brookings

Carolyn Blatchford  
Jensina Davis  
Jonathan Dykstra  
Peder David Haugan  
Brianna Larson  
Rylee Stromer-Iversen

### Canton

Benji Loken  
Kiara Sogn

### Centerville

Allyson Johnson

### Chamberlain

Morgan Leigh Hickey

### Chester

Lizabeth Delfs  
Ethan Geraets  
Riley Greenhoff  
Logan Hass  
Lindsey Kilber  
Riley Nilsen  
Garret Olson

### Clark

Justus Reidburn  
Brook Shult

### DeSmet

Daniel Albrecht  
Makayla DeDeyne

### Deuel

Brandon Anderson  
Alex Grayson

### Doland

Caleb Rasmussen  
Tucker Thomas  
Levi Woodring

### Elkton

Marie Robbins  
Caleb Wiskur  
Lukas Yearous

### Faulkton

Madison Holmberg  
Megan Koens

### Flandreau

Grady Gullickson  
Benjamin Hobbie  
Blake Kontz  
Clint Vandervliet  
Makayla Welbig

### Florence

Harlie Gulbraa  
Evie Kahnke  
Callie Mueller  
Chantel Nelson  
Adam Ronke

### Freeman

Journey Mehlhaf

### Gettysburg

Caleb Mangin  
Loretta Simon  
Nathanael Tanner  
Phillip Vetter  
Gage Weller

### Groton

Brenna Johnson  
Madielyn Wright

### Harrisburg

Allyson Beninga  
Koby Bruns  
Abigail Bushar  
Jessica Cain  
Mia Cherry  
Hailey Harkin  
Noah Hovorka  
Makoy Ivarsen  
Slader Niewenhuis  
Benjamin Olson  
Lauren Volk  
MaKenzie Voss

### Hitchcock-Tulare

Anthony Anderson  
Ally Binger  
Camryn Binger  
Payton Binger  
Zachary Binger  
Bailey Cole  
Baylee Enander  
Wyatt Johnson  
Kole Kohnen  
Tyler Schone  
Austin Shult  
Caileb Wanner

### Hoven

Braden Keller  
Samantha Stethem

### Howard

Jessica Burghardt  
Maggie JoAnne Connor  
Haley Feldhaus  
Kiara L. Glanzer

### Huron

Hailey Alexis Haber  
Gracie Schoenfelder

### Kimball

Sage Pulse  
Hannah M Surat  
Amya Inez Swett

### Lake Preston

Cody Perkins

### Lemmon

Jessica Colville  
James Odell  
Allison Preszler  
Aubrey Weishaar

### Lennox Sunstrom

Grace Kidd  
Sarah Kroeger  
Kip Kuper  
Hunter Nordman  
Denver Nordmann  
Elizabeth Steever

### Madison Central

Morgan Briggs  
Kaitlyn Graff  
Wiatt Hively  
Elsa Leighton  
Allison Lembcke  
Brady Nelson  
Nichole Peters

### McCook Central

Haylee Ecklein  
Joseph Eichacker  
Paisley Godfrey  
Natalie Gottlob  
Phoebe Jo Kaffar  
Morgan Koepsell  
Leslie Kolbeck  
Paul Lauck

## 2018 State Degree Recipients

### McCook Central (continued)

John Roland Loudenburg  
Hunter Matthaei  
Caitlynn Jo McGregor  
Rachel Muth  
Mercedes Marie Peterson  
Jared William Ries  
Brianna Schock  
Ryker Seamer  
Kyle Tuschen  
Matt Wegener  
Kyle Winberg  
Trustyn Wolf

### Menno

Hailey Fergen  
Hunter Huber  
Cooper Smith  
Craig Schaeffer

### Milbank

Kimberly Arbutto  
Sarah Jarman  
Chase Pinkert

### Miller

Mackayln Fulton  
Teanna Pawlowski  
Landon Sivertsen  
Kailli Wilson

### Mitchell

Leah Anne DiPippo  
Lane Robert Jorgenson  
Logan William Kommes  
Jennilee Wipf

### Newell

Troy Rounds

### Parker

Travis Leber  
Ben Marsh  
Evan Dubbledee

### Parkston

Brady Albrecht  
Tucker J Bigge  
Tanner Griebel  
Jadee Mattheis  
Brady Schoenfelder  
Dawson Semmler  
Jared Tiede  
Trenton Weber  
Jonah Zwinger

### Philip

Mikayla Addison  
Justena Amiotte  
Sage Bierle  
Conner Dekker  
Keagan Fitch  
Anna Piroutek  
Dawson Reedy  
Tristen Schofield

### Platte-Geddes

Blake Bultsma  
Payton Foxley  
Makenzie Oberbroekling  
Tony Slaba  
Riley Stegmeier  
Jessica Vanderheiden

### Rapid City

Bridger Johnson  
Colton Riley  
Seth Shorb

### Redfield

Dalton Howe

### Sanborn Central/ Woonsocket

Catherine Bechen  
Jared Goldammer  
Trent Kingsbury  
Nathan Linke  
Sarah Morgan  
Bailey Schmiedt

### Sioux Valley

Nickolas Clapp  
Warren Jenkins  
Bethany Rennich  
Bryn Tvedt  
Lucas Wosje  
Nikole Ziegler

### Sisseton

Connor Bartz  
Victoria Heinecke

### Sturgis

Abby Anderson  
Nicholas Anderson  
Brian Duran  
Bridger Gordon  
Devin Odle  
Ryan Wilen

### Tri Valley

Madysen Blake  
Dalton Foster  
Josh Hotchkiss  
Dylan Huwe  
Logan Mathieu  
Allison Sundal

### Wall

Trey Elshere  
Emilee Pauley  
Trista Reinert  
Kyla Sawwell  
Brianna Schreiber  
Sierra Wilson

### Watertown Area

Morgan Kohl  
Bailey Schlotterbeck

### Webster/Waubay

Allison Duerre

### Wessington Springs

Gunnar Brandenburg  
Sierra Brodkorb  
Kateli Deneke  
Coy Fastnacht  
Jordan Hines  
Alicia Jackson  
Karsyn Krause  
Ellie Larson  
Keah Munsen  
Cadee Schelske  
Trance Schooler  
Logan Wolter

### West Central

Olivia Becker  
Samantha Bergeson  
Elijah Hanisch  
Jacob Harden  
Ashley Hohn  
Blair Lammers  
Gabe Lorang  
Cassia Olson  
Taylor Rajewich  
Tiffany Rausch  
Lauryn Riepma  
Carter Ulrich  
Branzon Underwood  
Keith Vockrodt  
Hunter Wilebski

### Winner

Michaela Bachmann  
Justus Gregg  
Daesha Klein  
Trace Larson  
Madysen Morehart  
Savannah Vogel

### Willow Lake

Ashlynn Ryann Burke  
Wyatt James Burke  
Callie Rae Flemming  
Lucas James Johnson  
Zach William Mulder  
Riley John Schmidt  
Reed Hunter Tonak

### Wolsley-Wessington

Tyler Babcock  
Matthew Larsen  
Citlali Reyes  
William Timm

# 2018 STAR Award Finalists

## STAR Farmer Finalists

Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America

Blake Kontz .....	Flandreau
Denver Nordman .....	Lennox - Sundstrom
Joseph Eichacker .....	McCook Central
Justus Gregg .....	Winner

## STAR Placement Finalists

Sponsored by The Dan Streff Family, Salem

Travis Leber .....	Parker
Dalton Howe .....	Redfield
Tyler Christensen .....	Beresford
Kyle Winberg .....	McCook Central

## STAR in Agribusiness Finalists

Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America

Hunter Matthaei .....	McCook Central
Jennilee Wipf .....	Mitchell
Landon Sivertsen .....	Miller
Benjamin Hobbie .....	Flandreau

## STAR in Agriscience Finalists

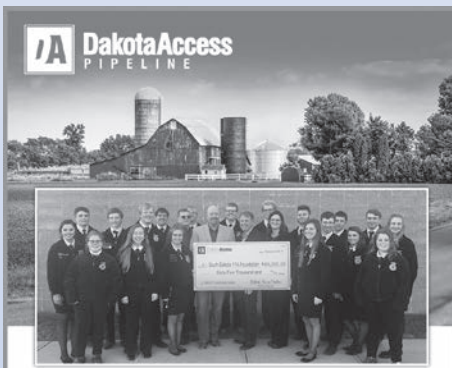
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Callie Mueller .....	Florence
Logan Wolters .....	Wessington Springs
Morgan Kohl .....	Watertown Area
Savannah Vogel .....	Winner

## STAR Greenhand Finalists

Sponsored by Central Farmers Cooperative

Trevor Johnson .....	Beresford
Hadley Stiefvater .....	McCook Central
Landon Wolter .....	Wessington Springs
Rhegan Oberg .....	Tri-Valley



**Dakota Access PIPELINE**

Giving back to the communities in which we live, work and do business.

Dakota Access Pipeline proudly supports the South Dakota FFA Foundation and its mission to develop the future leaders of South Dakota. We are happy to be able to support FFA programs for those who will make a difference in their communities for years to come.

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Thank you to our South Dakota Team Ag Ed Star Partners for seeing the value of South Dakota FFA and agricultural education!



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South Dakota FFA Foundation  
Agricultural Education at SDSU

**Interactive Soil Health Workshop**

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service  
**USU Lewis & Clark Room 262**.....9am, 11am, 2pm

Come see this hands-on demonstration of the effects of good soil health practices. The rainfall simulator will be run to show what happens on the soil surface when it rains. There are millions of living organisms in the soil that aid in growing crops and grasses. Come and see what you can do to improve soil health whether you are a farmer/rancher or live in town. We can all play a role in keeping the soil healthy.

**My American Farm –  
Spread the Agriculture Word!**

Vivajic  
**USU Pasque Room 255**.....9am, 11am, 2pm

My American Farm is chalk full of free information to teach elementary students about agriculture. Stop by to discover games and activities that you can use during FFA Week or mentoring sessions to teach K-5 students that farmers feed the world, care for animals, and steward the land. This is an exciting opportunity for your FFA chapter to spread the word about the important role agriculture plays in our everyday lives. Agriculture is everywhere!

**Be an Advocate!**

Ag United for South Dakota & SD Pork Producers  
**Pioneer Room 265** ..... 10am, 1pm, 3pm

Are you interested in learning how to be an advocate for agriculture? Join us to learn tips and tricks on sharing your ag story. We'll be focusing on how to create engaging content on any social media platform through photo and video. Bring your smartphone!

**First Dakota Poker**

First Dakota National Bank  
**USU Walder Room 269** ..... 10am, 1pm, 3pm

Don't leave your financial health to a game of chance! Learn about responsible financial management as you and your team try to develop the best poker hand. The stakes are high when your luck turns. Put on your best poker face and join us!

**Living to Serve**

FFA Day of Service

*During the convention, give back. Live to serve.  
Dedicate your free time to making a difference in  
the lives of those in need.*

**Sponsored by DuPont Pioneer, Farm Credit  
Services of America, & National FFA.**

**Monday, April 16  
9:00am-3:00pm  
HPER Center, 2nd Floor Lobby**

**Lead to Succeed**

presented by SDSU Ceres Women's Fraternity Members  
**Waldner Room** ..... 9am

**Lewis and Clark Room** ..... 10am  
Focus on your strengths as a leader while teaching students to focus on their talents to work as a team or with a group of people. Thinking strategically and outside the box are a key component that will be enhanced. Students will also be taught to become better leaders and to understand the context of leadership.

**Women in Agriculture**

presented by Katriona Roy, Emily Keiser,  
Shannon Neslaen, and Carlie Johnson SDSU Students  
**Pioneer Room** ..... 9am  
**Waldner Room** ..... 11:00am

With females being the minority in the agricultural industry we hope to inspire young women to the forefront of agriculture instead of being hidden in the background. The workshop will feature a group of all women panelists that will be sharing their success stories as they continue to impact the rapidly growing industry. The mission of raising awareness of women's voice in the industry doesn't stop there; students will be challenged with the task of creating their own mission statement to continue to the impact as strong, young women in the agricultural industry.

**Preparing for the Future**

presented by Alpha Zeta Members  
**Pasque Room** ..... 10am  
**Waldner Room** ..... 2pm

The Agriculture Honors Fraternity Alpha Zeta of SDSU will perform a workshop to help you prepare for that interview through handshakes, eye contact, and body language. The do's and don'ts of preparing for the interview and future career through the creation of S.M.A.R.T. goals. Come gain knowledge to help talk to people about your future upon graduation of high school!

**Collegiate Involvement with Agriculture**

presented by SDSU Students  
**Pioneer Room** ..... 11am, 2pm

Learn about post high school agricultural involvement through Agriculture Futures of America.

**Catalysts of the 50,000**

presented by Gracie Furnish National FFA Eastern  
Region Vice President

**Pasque Room** ..... 1pm  
**Lewis and Clark Room** ..... 3pm

Discover how we are catalysts for change and positivity in the world

**Teach Ag, The BEST JOB EVER!**

presented by Madelyn Regier National Teach  
Ag Ambassador  
**Pasque Room** ..... 1pm  
**Lewis and Clark Room** ..... 3pm

The National Teach Ag Campaign is an initiative to bring attention to the career of agricultural education, get students thinking about a possible career in agricultural education, and support current agriculture teachers in their careers. This workshop will invite students to learn more about a career in agriculture education, while understanding what their agriculture teacher goes through every day to understand the context of leadership.



# Thank You

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**SOUTH DAKOTA FFA FOUNDATION (WLC SCHOLARSHIPS)**

## Career Carnival Exhibits Monday, April 16, 2018

9:00am — 3:00pm

Student Union, Upper Level Gallery, Prairie,  
& Crazy Horse Lounges

## Fun & Interactive Games!

AgCentric  
Butler Machinery  
Central Wyoming College - Riverton  
Chadron State College  
Christensen Farms  
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State ..... CHS Foundation  
National ..... National FFA Foundation  
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State ..... Kuecker Seed Farm, Inc.; Webster  
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## Forest Management & Products — E/P

State ..... SD FFA Foundation  
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State ..... Bank West  
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State ..... Farm House Fraternity - SDSU  
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## Nursery Operations — E/P

State ..... Twin Cities Region Northland Ford Dealers  
National ..... NuFarm  
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Josie Bogner ..... Hot Springs  
Samantha Bergeson ..... West Central

## Outdoor Recreation — E/P

State ..... Jack's Campers, Mitchell;  
Central Dakota Guide Service; SD Walleye Charters  
National ..... Yamaha Motor Corporation USA  
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## Specialty Animal Production — E/P

State.....R&R Pheasant Hunting

National.....National FFA Foundation

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Blake Pulse.....McCook Central

## Swine Production — E

State.....SD Pork Producers Council

National.....Farmland Foods Inc; Tractor Supply Co

Abby Blagg.....McCook Central

Trevor Johnson.....Beresford

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## Swine Production — P

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National.....LA-CO Industries, Inc.

Clint Van Der Vliet.....Flandreau

Cole Grasma.....McCook Central

Ryker Seamer.....McCook Central

## Turf Grass Management — E/P

State.....Millborn Seeds

National.....John Deere

Amanda Knutson.....Centerville

Brenden Ecklein.....McCook Central

Kohl Miller.....McCook Central

## Vegetable Production — E/P

State.....In Memory of Bill & Stella Hanson

National.....Wilbur-Ellis Company, Tractor Supply Co.

Emily Malson.....Garretson

Hunter Matthaei.....McCook Central

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## Veterinary Medicine — E/P

State.....Salem Veterinary Service

National.....American Veterinary Medical Association; Blue Buffalo Company

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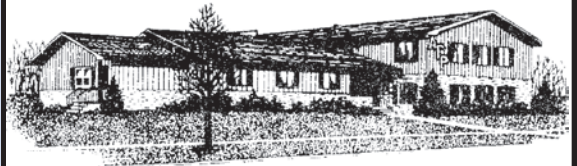
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#### **Interactive Soil Health Workshop**

USU Lewis & Clark Room 262.....9am, 11am, 2pm

#### **My American Farm – Spread the Agriculture Word!**

USU Pasque Room 255.....9am, 11am, 2pm

#### **Be an Advocate!**

Pioneer Room 265.....10am, 1pm, 3pm

#### **First Dakota Poker**

USU Walder Room 269.....10am, 1pm, 3pm

#### **Lead to Succeed**

Waldner Room .....9am

Lewis and Clark Room.....10am

#### **Women in Agriculture**

Pioneer Room.....9am

Waldner Room .....11am

#### **Preparing for the Future**

Pasque Room .....10am

Lewis and Clark Room.....2pm

#### **Collegiate Involvement with Agriculture**

Pioneer Room.....11am, 2pm

#### **Catalysts of the 50,000**

Pasque Room .....1pm

Lewis and Clark Room.....3pm

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Pasque Room .....1pm

Lewis and Clark Room.....3pm

#### **Team Up to Safety Quiz Bowl**

Student Union State Room 260 .....9am - 4pm

Provided by South Dakota Farmers Union

#### **Career Carnival**

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Student Union, Upper Level .....9am - 3pm

Gallery, Prairie, & Crazy House Lounges

#### **“Living to Serve” Project - Meals of Hope**

HPER Center, 2nd Floor .....9am - 3pm



#### **State FFA Degree Reception**

Club71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium ..... 5:00-6:30pm

#### **State Star Banquet**

Coughlin-Alumni Lounge, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium .... 5:00-5:45pm