

**DAVID CITY FFA CHAPTER**

**FFA WAY**



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## FFA MEMBERS INVOLVED AT THE BUTLER COUNTY FAIR

The Butler County Fair is a busy time for the David City FFA Chapter. The county fair gives our chapter an opportunity to support and network with community members. Before the fair starts, FFA members team up with the fair board and clean the fair grounds to prepare the area for the festivities to follow. As well as participating in the events and showing livestock and projects, the FFA members assisted at the Swine, Sheep, Goat, and Beef shows. Members recorded data and helped to hand out awards to participants at each show.

Our chapter also teamed up with Frontier Cooperative at their booth on Friday and Saturday evening. Chapter members took polaroid pictures of community members holding signs with agriculture related questions. The community members then wrote the answer to their question on the bottom of their picture and it was hung on a photo board for all to see. FFA members also assisted Frontier Cooperative with their annual tallest cornstalk contest. Finally, officer team members, chapter members, and Frontier Cooperative employees took turns sitting in a dunking booth; all proceeds from the dunking booth went to the David City FFA Chapter.

FFA members hosted the Kiddi Tractor Pull on the final day of the fair. Members measured, recorded, and announced pulls and helped to hand out awards. FFA members also assisted at the new well water testing booth hosted by the North Natural Resource District. Finally, members helped to run the team roping competition by running the cattle shoot, pushing the cattle, and running the return alley. On the final day of the fair the officer team joined the Frontier Cooperative during the parade. The officer team walked the route handing out candy, sunglasses, beverage koozies, and throwing water balloons.

The officer team and our advisors would like to extend their appreciation to members and the community for aiding the success of this busy week. They would also like to remind chapter members that helping with fair activities is a great AET record book opportunity, and to continue to keep up to date on their record books.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

AUG. 9 David City Open House @ 6pm  
AUG. 10 4-H & FFA State Fair Entries Due @ 8pm  
AUG. 13 David City Public School's First Day  
AUG. 16 Aquinas Catholic School's First Day  
AUG. 20 Officer Meeting @ 7:30am  
AUG. 27 Chapter Meeting @ 7:30am

AUG. 24-SEPT. 3 State Fair  
SEPT. 10 Officer Meeting @ 7:30am  
SEPT. 17 Chapter Meeting @ 7:30am  
SEPT. 24 Officer Meeting @ 7:30am  
SEPT. 26 Leadership Day at CCC  
SEPT. 28 FFA Football Night @ 6:30pm

## ANYONE CAN JOIN OUR NEW ALUMNI FFA CHAPTER

An FFA Alumni Chapter is coming to David City. **GOOD NEWS, YOU NEED NOT HAVE HELD PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIP IN FFA!!!** The word alumni is misleading, this chapter will be for any person in the David City community, FFA alumni or not, who would like to support the David City FFA Chapter. Past David City FFA Chapter President and Nebraska State FFA Officer Brooke Bell is starting an FFA Alumni Chapter. Here is what you need to know. The alumni chapter is an organization created to support the local FFA Chapter. This can include scholarships, business and industry tours, classroom speakers, and much more!

It is a common misconception that you must be a past FFA member to be an alumni member. Once again this is FALSE. Anyone can join the alumni chapter! The first public meeting will be held in late September. The date and time will be decided at a later point. More specific details will be made available to the public in late August.

*According to the National FFA Organization, "FFA relies on its alumni to garner support for FFA from their local communities, raise funds for chapter activities and scholarships, assist at FFA leadership camps and conferences, and more. You don't have to be a former FFA member to support FFA, agricultural education and the future of agriculture."*

## FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS THE FFA WAY

This past summer, the David City FFA officer team have spent time cooking up new ideas to implement into the chapter during this upcoming school year. One of those ideas is FFA night at the football field. FFA night will take place on September 28 at the David City High School football game against Aquinas Catholic. The goal of this night is not to make a profit. The goal is to raise awareness of our FFA chapter, recognize our sponsors, and build community bonds.

The officer team will be introduced before the game, and current FFA members and alumni will be recognized. The David City FFA chapter will have a booth at the game and will be selling our chapter t-shirts and sweatshirts. They will also be handing out prizes, meeting community members, and promoting the new David City Alumni chapter. A few of the chapter's sponsors will be invited to have their own booth at the game. Chapter members are asked to wear their chapter t-shirts or sweatshirts to the game.

A public sign up will be made available at the FFA Football Night on September 28th. If you would like to join, have any further questions, or would like more information please contact coordinator Brooke Bell at [brookebell.neffa@gmail.com](mailto:brookebell.neffa@gmail.com).

### FFA Way

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