**South Dakota FFA Foundation**

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**South Dakota FFA Awards Scholarships**

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BATH, S.D. – South Dakota FFA is dedicated to premier leadership, personal growth, and career success and is therefore proud to support South Dakota FFA members in their post-secondary education. The following scholarships were awarded at the 94th State FFA Convention in Brookings, SD on Sunday April 25th, 2022. Join us in helping them celebrate their success!

**The Ernie Wingen Scholarship** is provided by the SD FFA Foundation’s Ernie Wingen Memorial Endowment for students studying any field of agriculture. The recipient of this $2000 scholarship is **Kathryn Rausch, Hoven.**

**The Fred and Joan DeRouchey Family Scholarship** is provided by the SD FFA Foundation’s Fred and Joan DeRouchey Family Endowment for students studying animal science. The recipient of this $2000 scholarship is **Grace Petersen, Willow Lake.**

**The Jeff Hoffman Memorial Scholarship** is funded by Jeff’s family in honor of his devotion to youth in agriculture education and based off an essay. The recipient of this $1000 scholarship is **Ella Stiefvater, McCook Central.**

**The Gary Grey Agricultural Education Scholarship** is awarded to seniors FFA members who intends to study Agricultural Education at a post-secondary institution. The scholarship is sponsored in part by Kelvin and Carol Grey, Ellery Grey and Nickolas Grey, in honor of Kelvin’s brother and Ellery and Nickolas’s dad, Gary. This year’s scholarship recipients are pictured with sponsor Kelvin Grey:

**Kathryn Rausch, Hoven**

**Sidney Peterson, Sturgis**

**Megan Sanders, Hot Springs**

**The Wade Lang Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of Wade Lang who served as the South Dakota State FFA Treasurer from 1991-1992. This $1000 memorial scholarship was presented to **Reese McKenna, Belle Fourche**.

**The Wosje Agricultural Business Scholarship** is sponsored by Chad and Rhonda Wosje, South Dakota State University graduates and Sioux Valley FFA Alumni members. The recipients of this $750 scholarships are:

**Matea Gordon, Sturgis**

**Korbin Leddy, Milbank**

**Mary Hansen Memorial Scholarships** are intended for FFA members who are residents in Minnehaha or Lincoln counties. This year’s recipients of the $750 scholarships are:

**Andrew Rick, West Central**

**Danesa Willson, Harrisburg**

**Tate Johnson, Beresford**

**Jada Jeverson, Lennox-Sundstrom**

**Blue & Gold Scholarships** are offered by the SD FFA Association to any graduating senior who has been active in FFA an pursuing further education. This year’s recipients of the $750 scholarships are:

**Megan Stiefvater, McCook Central**

**Caleb McGregor, Webster**

**Jackson Harberts, Bridgewater-Emery**

**Danielle Nowell, Hithcock-Tulare**

**The Marsh Agricultural Scholarship** is for students studying agricultural and is sponsored by Doug and Claire Marsh. The recipients of this $500 scholarship are:

**Megan Nash, Northwestern**

**Carson Weber, Bridgewater-Emery**

**The Bob Titus Memorial Scholarship** is sponsored by Sioux Falls Ford, was established in memory of Bob Titus, father of past state FFA officer Jenny Titus-Jacobson. The recipient of this $500 scholarship is **Autumn Wittstruck, Lennox-Sundstrom**.

**The District 2 Scholarship** is sponsored by past State FFA Officer Ashley Wiesen and her husband Jordan, for someone with exemplary leadership traits. This year’s recipient of the $500 scholarship is **Abigail Morse, Madison Central.**

**The SD Nursery and Landscape Association Scholarship** is sponsored by the South Dakota Nursery and Landscape Association for a student pursuing a degree in horticulture. This $500 scholarship was presented to **Lacey Mockler, Beresford.**

**Bayer Scholarships** As a Four Star Team Ag Ed Partner with the South Dakota FFA Foundation, Bayer sponsors four $500 scholarships. This year’s recipients are:

**Elliott Chase, McCook Central**

**Amara Roland, Rapid City**

**Grace Harden, West Central**

**Alana Howard, Miller**

**Twin Cities Region Northland Ford Scholarships** As a Distinguished Star Team Ag Ed Partner with the South Dakota FFA Foundation, Twin Cities Region Northland Ford sponsors four $500 scholarships. This year’s recipients are:

**Taya Pawlowski, Miller**

**Ashtyn Jurrens, Deubrook**

**Caden Bottum, Hithcock-Tulare**

**Isaac Sousa, Milbank**

**Farm Credit Services of America Scholarships** As a Distinguished Star Team Ag Ed Partner with the South Dakota FFA Foundation, Farm Credit Services of America sponsors four $500 scholarships. This year’s recipients are:

**John Callies, Howard**

**Taylor Schallenkamp, Bridgewater-Emery**

**Kansas Kroll, Groton**

**Bryce Beitelspacher, Bowdle**

**CHS Foundation Scholarships** As a Four Star Team Ag Ed Partner with the South Dakota FFA Foundation, the CHS Foundation sponsors four $500 scholarships. This year’s recipients are:

**Andrew Rick, West Central**

**Megan Sanders, Hot Springs**

**Lisa Engelhart, Huron**

**Macy Schiley, Lemmon**

**Continuing Agriculture Education Scholarships** assist students currently studying agricultural education at South Dakota State University as they continue their pursuit in a career as an ag teacher. They are made possible through funding provided by SD FFA Star partners: Twin City Region Northland Ford, Farm Credit Services of America Bayer, CHS Foundation, Agtegra, Farmers Mutual of Nebraska, BankWest, Butler Machinery, Dacotah Bank, First National Bank of Sioux Falls, and Pioneer-Corteva as a special project of the SD FFA Foundation. Recipients are (left to right):

**Anna Marie Sachs**

**Trinity Peterson**

**Abigail Mueller**

**Mitchell VanderWal**

**Alice Lewandowski**

**Post-Secondary Ag Scholarships** are for students currently studying any area of agriculture at a SD postsecondary school. They are made possible through funding provided by SD FFA Star partners: Twin City Region Northland Ford, Farm Credit Services of America Bayer, CHS Foundation, Agtegra, Farmers Mutual of Nebraska, BankWest, Butler Machinery, Dacotah Bank, First National Bank of Sioux Falls, and Pioneer-Corteva as a special project of the SD FFA Foundation. Recipients are (left to right):

**Tyson Floyd, MTI Ag Business, Lyman**

**Alvena Batin, LATI, Ag Business, Miller**

**Tessa Erdman, SDSU, Ag Business, Groton**

**Danika Gordon, SDSU, Ag Business, Sturgis**

**Beth Nagel, SDSU, Ag Leadership Communication Studies, Gettysburg**

**Noah Hainy, MTI, Associates of Applied Sciences, Wessington Springs**

**Ryder Mortenson, SDSU, Ag Leadership Communication Studies, Winner**

**WLC Scholarships** are sponsored by the South Dakota FFA Foundation to aid high school members in attending the FFA Washington Leadership Conference in Washington DC. Recipients of these $500 scholarships are:

**Bennett Gordon, Sturgis**

**Emily Robbins, Elkton**

**Karlie TenEyck, Dell Rapids**

**Kate Hamilton, Wolsey- Wessington**

**Matthew Mork, Webster**

**Natalie Meyer, Milbank**

The SD FFA Foundation is proud to support Agricultural Education and the FFA's mission to make a difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for *premier leadership*, *personal growth* and *career success* through agricultural education. For more information about the South Dakota FFA Foundation and South Dakota's FFA programs, visit [www.sdffafoundation.org](http://www.sdffafoundation.org/) or follow us on Facebook.

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