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# Job Interview Contest

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The Job Interview Contest was supposed to be held on January 23 at Lynchburg High School, due to many snow days the Job Interview Contest was postponed until February 11. The Job Interview Contest consists of students from each grade participating in a mock job interview. This CDE prepares students for future interviews. Each competitor must prepare a resume, fill out a job application, and participate in an interview. Four students will be competing this year, including: Alans Skaggs, Freshman; Joe McElwee, Sophomore; Emily Bauman, Junior; and Callie Ralston, Senior. These students will continue to prepare and practice for the upcoming contest, and we wish them luck.



# Evaluation Preparations

## FFA OFFICERS:

- President - Katie McFarland
- Vice President - Morgan Brown
- Secretary - Jessica Shelton
- Treasurer - Callie Ralston
- Reporter - Emily Bauman
- Sentinel - Tyler Ryan
- Student Advisor - Noah Ward
- Chaplin - Trea Ewing
- Parliamentarian - Joe McElwee

The Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter are each required to each keep books regarding their specific job. The secretary must keep a record of all attendance, minutes of meetings, and Committee/Officer reports. The Treasurer must keep a record of finances for the members and the chapter.

# Evaluation Preparations Cont.

The reporter must make a scrapbook containing pictures, newsletters, and news articles printed throughout the year. All officers have been working very hard to finish all of the books in time for District Evaluations. Emily Bauman is also submitting a State FFA Degree application to be evaluated and A.J. Cluxton is applying for the Diversified Ag Placement proficiency award. Sub-District evaluations are February 3 and Regional evaluations will take place on February 5.

## Public Speaking Preparations

The Peebles FFA Chapter will be participating in the Sub District Public Speaking Contest on February 20, 2014. Members will compete in three of the five divisions for students to participate in; Creed, Prepared & Extemporaneous Speaking.

The Creed Speaking CDE is designed to develop leadership and the ability to appear before groups by students as they become members of the FFA; the contestant will present from memory the official FFA creed. After picking a top 5 at the Chapter Creed Contest and further practices, Sarah McFarland was chosen to compete in the Creed Speaking Contest.

In the Beginning Prepared Speaking CDE participants must memorize and recite a speech on an agricultural topic for five to seven minutes with five additional minutes allowed for related questions asked by the judges. Raegan Dick will compete in the Beginning Prepared Speaking contest.

In the Prepared Speaking CDE participants must memorize and recite a speech on an agricultural topic for six to eight minutes with five additional minutes allowed for related questions asked by the judges. Emily Bauman will compete in the Prepared Speaking contest.

In the Extemporaneous Speaking CDE contestants must prepare a speech about agriculture that will be chosen at random right before speaking. Contestants are given exactly 30 minutes for speech preparation, each speech must be four to six minutes, with questions asked by the judges. Either Callie Ralston or Alex Unger will compete in the Extemporaneous Speaking contest.

# Upcoming CDEs

ATTENTION ALL FFA MEMBERS: Spring CDEs are rapidly approaching! These events include General Livestock Judging, Poultry Judging, and Equine Judging. If you are interested please see Mrs. Minton as soon as possible! Practices will be after school at least two days a week, and our teams will be participating in four different contests (Ashland, Marysville, Districts at Miami Trace, and State Contest). Even if you know absolutely nothing about livestock, poultry, or equine these CDEs are an excellent learning experience! Not only do CDEs provide real-life learning experience but friendships and connections within your team, as well.

## ASK MINTON

**Question:** *What is FFA Week?*

**-Not From FFA**

**Minton's Answer:** *FFA Week is the week of President's Day. Our chapter participates in FFA Week activities to educate our school and community about the importance of agriculture and the benefits of FFA. All students at Peebles High School are encouraged to partake in our FFA Week activities!*

**-Mrs. Minton**

## Picture of the Month



A. J. Cluxton and Tyler Ryan are trying to tie Callie up! Trying to keep her at bay!  
HAHAHA!

**NAME:** Noah Kreml

**PARENTS:** Mark and Beckie Kreml

**YEAR IN FFA:** 1st

**ACTIVITIES TAKEN PART IN:** Mum Sale and Fruit Sales

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:** fundraisers

**FAVORITE CDE:** Creed

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT FFA:** Learning and having fun

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT MRS. MINTON:** She's nice to everyone

**MOST MEMORABLE FFA MOMENT:** Being in the Top 5 in the Creed Speaking Contest.

**WHAT IS ON YOUR IPOD NOW?** I don't have an iPod

**PLACE YOU'D LOVE TO VISIT:** Bora Bora

**YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE:** Captain Phillips

**YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW:** Manhunt

**FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS:** Algebra

**FAVORITE 'SPARE TIME' ACTIVITY:** Playing guitar

**WOULD LOVE TO TRADE PLACES FOR A DAY WITH:** The President

**FUTURE PLANS:** Pursue a career in criminal justice.



## OFFICER FEATURE

**NAME:** Tyler Ryan

**OFFICE:** Sentinel

**YEAR IN FFA:** 2

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING AN OFFICER:** Developing leadership skills.

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:** Livestock Judging

**MOST MEMORABLE FFA MOMENT:** Top 10 Team at State Contest

**WHAT HAS FFA TAUGHT YOU:** All kinds of good stuff.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- FFA Week
- Job Interview Contest
- Public Speaking
- National Chapter Evaluations
- Judging Begins