Jordan's Journal

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Meet Your State Officer



Hello Section 7! My name is Jordan Berg from the Granton FFA chapter and I am so grateful to be serving as your 2026-2027 Wisconsin FFA State Reporter.

I graduated from Granton High School in 2025 and will be starting my second year of college at the University of Wisconsin - Madison this fall where I study life sciences communication, focusing on the agriculture industry. This year, I was able to become involved in the Association of Women in Agriculture, Badger Dairy Club, and Collegiate Farm Bureau.

Throughout my time in FFA, I have had many opportunities to participate in career and leadership development events, conferences, and so much more. A few of my favorites include discussion meet, parliamentary procedure, Next Gen Plant Systems, and the Agriscience Fair. I also have two Supervised Agricultural Experiences in Agricultural Communications and Agriscience Research - Plant Systems.

Outside of FFA, I enjoy spending time with the people I love, baking, reading, hunting, fishing, and watching or playing hockey.

I enjoy every opportunity to have a conversation with anyone, so feel free to stop me to chat! I am always an email or message away too.

Section 7, I cannot wait to connect with you all and make this year FFAntastic!

Jordan H. Berg











State Convention Recap

Leadership Development Events

Conduct of Chapter Meetings | Marshfield FFA | State Winner

Parliamentary Procedure | Granton FFA | Second Place

Spanish Creed Speaking | Marcos Oviedo Torres | Loyal FFA | Third Place

Career Development Events

Farm and Agribusiness Managment | Jack Wendler | Owen-Withee FFA | Top Individual

Floriculture | Thorp FFA | State Winning Team

Forestry | Kathryn Winder | Marshfield FFA | Top Individual

Digital Scrapbook Contest

Stratford FFA | State Winner



State Talent Contest

Eliot Cox | Thorp FFA | Third Place

Food For America Award

Granton FFA

Medford FFA

Middle School Essay Contest

Hannah Wavrunek | Stratford FFA | Sectional Winner

Agriscience Fair

Environmental Services/Natural Resources Systems Division Three

Jimmy Peck | Wausau FFA | State Winner

Sectional Membership Increase Winner

DC Everest FFA | +56 members

Proficiency Awards

Agricultural Communications | Jordan Berg | Granton FFA | Second Place
Agricultural Communications | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Fifth Place
Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication | Brent Abramczak | Thorp FFA | State Winner
Agricultural Processing | Martina Mullins | Mosinee FFA | Fourth Place
Agricultural Sales - Entrepreneurship | Victoria Seif | Granton FFA | Fourth Place
Agriscience Research - Plant Systems | Jordan Berg | Granton FFA | Second Place
Beef Production - Placement | Tatym Travis | Greenwood FFA | Fifth Place
Dairy Production - Entrepreneurship | Ella Raatz | Colby | Second Place
Diversified Horticulture | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Fifth Place
Fruit & Nut Production | Kadyn Marg | Granton FFA | Second Place
Goat Production | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Second Place
Goat Production | Hunter Offer | Marshfield FFA | Fifth Place
Poultry Production | Bella Haumschild | Granton FFA | Fifth Place
Service Learning | Emerie Bredl-Hyrndej | Stratford | State Winner
Sheep Production | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Fourth Place
Small Animal Production & Care | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Third Place
Specialty Animal Production | Faith Steinwagner | Marshfield FFA | Fourth Place
Swine Production - Entrepreneurship | Mallory Cepress | Marshfield FFA | State Winner
Swine Production - Entrepreneurship | Jessica Lindow | Marshfield FFA | Fourth Place
Swine Production - Entrepreneurship | Tatym Travis | Greenwood FFA | Fifth Place
Wildlife Production & Management | Caius Higgins | Edgar FFA | Third Place
Wildlife Production & Management | Katelyn Kubisiak | Stevens Point FFA | Fifth Place







Three Star Leader

Brenna Thiel | Auburndale FFA
Mindy Dix | Granton FFA
Colter Rueth | Loyal FFA
Karcyn Schmitz | Neillsville FFA
Kabella Ollson | Owen-Withee FFA
Nathan Cordes | Stratford FFA
Brent Abramczak | Thorp FFA

Agriculture Artwork Contest

9th to 12th Grade 2D
Peyton Ostricki | Spencer FFA | Second Place

State Star Awards

Star Farmer | Liv Lucas | Greenwood FFA



National Chapter Award

Gold

Owen-Withee FFA

Silver

Auburndale
Granton
Loyal
Neillsville
Stratford
Thorp

P.R.I.D.E. Award

DC Everest FFA
Marshfield FFA
Neillsville FFA



Congratulations on your accomplishments!

Summer in Review

Base Camp

Base Camp was the first time we all got together as a team after State Convention. We learned about our leadership styles, strengths, and our role as State Officers. It was amazing to get to know my teammates and start getting ready to serve Wisconsin FFA and its over 28,500 members!



WAAE Conference



WAAE Professional Development Conference was our opportunity to spend time with the amazing agriculture educators from across the state. We learned more about the basics of Wisconsin FFA and received our first association jackets.

Checkpoint #1

We spent our week at Checkpoint #1 learning how to become facilitators. We planned workshops and wrote speeches for FLW and FIRE. We also got our first official headshots and team pictures taken. We also had the opportunity to continue to strengthen our team connection through an escape room!



State Officer Summit



State Officer Summit was an incredible experience! We spent the week in Washington, DC meeting other State Officers from across the county and learning how to advocate. We were able to participate in legislative visits to put our advocacy skills to the test. We also go to visit a few museums and the monuments around the city.

Southern Golf Outing

After State Officer Summit, we spent a day in Middleton at the Pleasant View Golf Course for the Wisconsin FFA Foundation Southern Golf Outing. We hosted games on a few of the holes and helped sell raffle tickets. It was great to meet some of Wisconsin FFA's amazing supporters!



National FFA Senate Briefing



I had the unique opportunity to attend a Senate Briefing with National FFA at the end of July. I flew out to Washington, DC to join the National FFA President and a few State Officers from other states to discuss agricultural education in our lives and how it impacts students across the nation.

Wisconsin State Fair

We had the opportunity to be part of the best 11 days of summer at the Wisconsin State Fair. At State Fair, we got to work in the Discovery Barnyard to talk about agriculture with fairgoers. We also got to explore the grounds and were able to meet and cheer on FFA members from across the state, including the FFA Honors Band and Chorus.



Jag Lake



To end our summer, the team and I traveled up to Jag Lake for our officer retreat. We finalized plans for Fall Leadership Workshops and got things ready for FIRE Conferences. We were able to work on speeches, workshops, and more. We also did some team bonding by playing volleyball and spending time on the water.

National Convention Preview

Proficiency Awards

Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication | Brent Abramczak | Thorp FFA | Gold

Swine Production - Entrepreneurship | Mallory Cepress | Marshfield FFA | Gold

Agriscience Fair

Environmental Services/Natural Resources Systems Division Three

Jimmy Peck | Wausau FFA | Bronze

National Chapter Award

<u>Three Star Chapter</u>

Owen-Withee FFA

Congratulations on your national recognition!

American Degree Recipients

Katelynn Osborn - Athens

Jordan Berg - Granton

Victoria Seif - Granton

Emma Woller - Granton

Tysen Lindner - Greenwood

Parker Smith - Loyal

Colin Fritz - Owen Withee

Cuba Sowieja-Kayhart - Owen-Withee

Jordan Visnovec - Owen-Withee

Lydia Lobacz - Owen-Withee

Payton Ackerman - Owen-Withee

Wyatt Rose - Owen-Withee

Wyatt Wulff - Owen-Withee

Abby Sekerka - Rosholt

Jaclynn Kaminski - Rosholt

Luke Schraufnagel - Thorp

National Officer Candidate



Max Luedtke

Beaver Dam FFA

Upcoming Events

Section 7 Fall Leadership Workshop

September 24 at Granton Area School

217 N. Main St. Granton, WI 54436

Park in the Main Entrance, Fieldhouse, or dirt lot and enter through Main Entrance doors, registration begins at 3:30 PM with the program to start at 4:00 PM



F.I.R.E. Conferences

University of Wisconsin - River Falls | October 3

University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point at Marshfield | October 9

Fox Valley Technical College - Appleton | October 16

Southwestern Technical College - Fennimore | February 11

Southwestern Technical College - Fennimore | February 12



National Leadership Conferences

Connect/I Am | Green Bay | November 12 & 13

Chapter Visits

School	Date
Abbotsford	October 30
Amherst	TBD
Athens	October 28
Auburndale	TBD
Colby	TBD
DC Everest	TBD
Edgar	TBD
Gilman	TBD
Granton	TBD
Greenwood	October 5
Loyal	TBD
Marathon	October 13
Marshfield	October 12
Medford	November 20
Merrill	October 14
Mosinee	October 6
Neillsville	November 9
Owen-Withee	TBD
Pittsville	TBD
Rosholt	TBD
Spencer	November 23
Stevens Point	September 10 & 11
Stratford	September 8
Thorp	October 7
Wausau East	TBD
Wausau West	October 27
Wisconsin Rapids	TBD

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https://wisconsinaged.org/stateofficer.aspx?ID=30

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Silver

- Culvers
- Seneca Foods

Bronze

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- H.H. Thomsen Endowment
- GreenStone Farm Credit Services
- Professional Dairy Producers of Wisconsin
- Wisconsin Pork Association
- Festival Foods
- Case IH / CNH Capital
- Badger State Ethanol, LLC
- Elkhorn FFA Alumni