

STEPHEN-ARGYLE QUARTER 4

AGRICULTURE EDUCATION & FFA

NEWSLETTER

QUARTER 4 CLASSES

Intro to Agriculture 1
 Agriculture Economics
 Companion Animals
 Intro to Agriculture 2

EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

April 11th, 2023- Region 1 FFA Banquet

April 23-25th, 2023- State FFA Convention

May 1st 2023- MN Farm Bureau Meeting at
 The Dell

May 3rd, 2023- D & D Tours

May 3rd, 2023- FFA Community Picnic

May 15th, 2023 - State Envirothon at
 Fergus Falls, MN

May 17th, 2023- SAC FFA Chapter Banquet

June 28th, 2023- SAC FFA @ Crystal Sugar
 Picnic

July 19-23rd, 2023- Marshall County Fair

November 1-4th, 2023- National FFA
 Convention



QUARTER 4 MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that the 2022 - 2023 school year has already come to a close. This year, the SAC Agriculture Education Program consisted of 122 students. Compared to the 2021 - 2022 school year when 90 students were enrolled in an Agriculture class.

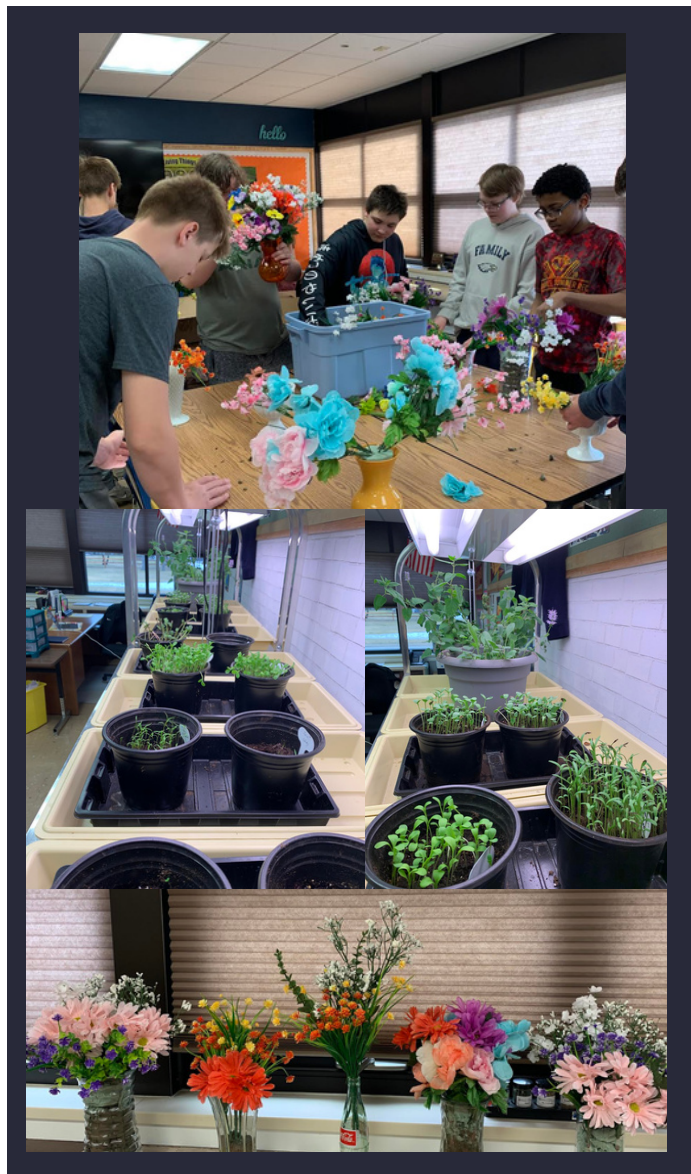
Within each class, students learned about various agriculture related topics, were involved in hands-on learning experiences, used their creativity to create their own educational materials about agriculture, and furthered their knowledge about the world of agriculture as a whole.

A large amount of students within grades 7-12 took part in various FFA events. With many of those students looking forward to what next year entails within the FFA Chapter and Organization.

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APRIL 11TH (REGION 1 BANQUET)

On April 11th, the SAC FFA Officers attended the Region 1 FFA Banquet in Barnesville, MN. Students connected with other members from various Chapters, observed the Regional talent contest, and had a recap of the Regional FFA year.



INTRO TO AG 1

The Intro to Ag 1 class was busy learning about floral design. Students studied the anatomy of a flower, researched and created a marketing pamphlet for a chosen floral specie, learned about the floral industry, and created their own floral arrangements using color theory.

They even planted their own flowers and herbs.



Students also went to Evergreen N' Ivy floral shop for a class period. They observed a floral arrangement being made, learned about the floral design industry, and got to take a walk through the greenhouse.

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INTRO TO AG 2

The Intro to Ag 2 class learned about various career opportunities within the Stephen-Argyle area. Students researched about the agriculture business, connected the business to the agriculture career pathways, and developed a marketing brochure for the business in which they chose.



STATE FFA CONVENTION

Five members attended the Minnesota State FFA Convention on April 23-25th. Brianna and Kate competed in the Best Informed Greenhand contest, Brianna entered a science fair board, Signe and Andrea served as our SAC Chapter delegates, and all five members attended leadership workshops.

Brianna Johnson also received 2nd place People's Choice Award for her Agri-Science Fair project.



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COMMUNITY FFA PICNIC

Thank you to the SAC community members that supported the FFA Chapter at our picnic. We served around 100 plates of food, played outdoor games, and mingled with others. Proceeds obtained will be put forth to future FFA events that our members take part in.

We would also like to thank all of the Officer's parents for helping out at the event. We couldn't have done it without you!



D & D TOURS

Students in grades 7-11 were able to tour D & D Commodities. Students learned about the business and the importance of finding interests and gaining experiences in life.



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CHAPTER BANQUET / AWARDS

Congratulations to all of our degree recipients and award winners this year. (a few recipient members are not in photos)



Jacy Garceau received a National FFA Built Ford Tough Scholarship for the amount of \$1,000. Jacy plans to pursue a degree at Northland Community and Technical College. With a goal of becoming a vet technician.



Discovery Degree



Chapter Degree

GUEST SPEAKERS

The Ag Economics class hosted two guest speakers this quarter.

The first guest speaker was Matthew Voxland from the West Polk Farm Service Agency. Matthew spoke with students about the responsibilities of the Farm Service Agency, the employment opportunities they have to offer, and the ability for students to take out loans to help start their very own business. He dove in to explaining what loans are and the endless possibilities for students to achieve anything they want.



Greenhand Degree Recipients



Star Members



Honorary Members

Our second guest speaker within the Agriculture Economics class was Betsy Jensen from Northland Community and Technical College (NCTC). Betsy came in to class and spoke with students about the Farm Business Management program. Allowing students to have an insight into how FBM can highly benefit farmers. She also expressed how important the overall agricultural industry is and the job opportunities it has to offer.

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Thank You! We, as the Agriculture Education Program and SAC FFA Chapter Thank YOU. We have officially wrapped up the second year of the agriculture education and FFA program here at SAC. The amount of support from community members, administrators, school board members, local businesses, and many more individuals is absolutely amazing and does not go unnoticed. Participation from students within the Ag-Ed program and FFA was outstanding. Students were willing and wanting to be involved. Becoming informed about topics in agriculture, meeting other students from all over Minnesota through FFA, and building their knowledge and resumes through experiences. We are excited to see what the future holds for this program and Chapter.