

FFA Fun

Celebrating Agriculture with a Smile



On March 15, students eagerly piled into the gym to watch the annual FFA Ag Olympics. Because the previous year's Ag Olympics was cancelled, students were even more excited.

Students participated in 10 different agriculture related events. Each grade competed against other grades in find the worm, tire toss, corn shelling, feed sack carry, seed spitting, farmer relay, barrel race, feed sack hop, tug of war, and pedal tractor relay.

Carson Pellon (10) battled against other grades to see who could find the gummy worms in a "mud pie" the fastest. Pellon put another win on the board for the sophomore team. "It was thrilling trying to compete against everyone, but the pie tasted nasty," Pellon said.

Chloe Bahls (9) competed in the feed sack hop along with three other freshmen. "It was very difficult because nobody was listening to each other, which made us keep falling," Bahls said.

Navigating through the gym, Cody Monaghan (9) races against three of his cousins. Monaghan placed third in the pedal tractor race.



Barrel Race

Riding her pony down the gym, Sydney Bolsinger (11) finishes in second place.

Feed Sack Carry

Jacob Vaske (11) hauls down the gym carrying a feed sack. "Having the whole grade come together to compete against the other grades was exciting," Vaske said.

Hopping Down the Court

Freshmen Blake Engel, Mitchell McDonald, Chloe Bahls, and Lucas Beilly try to rise to their feet again after falling while attempting to hop down the gym in unison.

Relay Race

Carrying a feed sack down the gym, Sheldon Phillips (12) leads the senior team to a victory. Phillips said, "Watching Sabrina (Welcher) struggle to run while carrying the feed sack was hilarious."



In the Tractor

After driving their tractors to school, students park them on New Street.

Front Row: Blake Deutmeyer (9), Jacob Kaiser (12), Kody Wenger (12), Georgie Hilby (12), Mitchell McDonald (9), Phillip Ries (9), Andrew Ries (9), and Lori Hilby (9); **Back Row:** Levi Mullis (11), Kyle Deutmeyer (10), Cody Monaghan (9), Mitchell Krogmann (10), Adam Monaghan (12), James Drummy (12), Noah Jackson (9).

Mitchell McDonald (9) cruises into town on his cabless Massey Ferguson. McDonald braved the 38 degree weather on his tractor. Snowy weather in February moved this tradition to March.

Sisters Lori Hilby (9) and Georgie Hilby (12) drive their family's Case IH tractor to school. They were the only girls who drove tractors that day.

Standing by their tractors, Kyle Deutmeyer (10) and Levi Mullis (11) talk about their morning commute.



FFA Honors

2019 Sweetheart Court: Grant Schnieders, Queen Kinley Kolbet, King Chad Bishop, and Chloe Thein. Not Pictured: Emily Ronnebaum.

FFA member Grant Schnieders (11) was elected as vice president of the Northeast sub-district. "Meeting my teammates was fun because they are from all over Iowa and are easy to get along with," Schnieders said.



FFA member Jacob Kaiser (12) was recognized as one of five Stars Over Iowa in Agriscience. "It's pretty cool to know there are only five people in the state of Iowa to be recognized, and I am one of them," Kaiser said.

You had to be at the staff breakfast!



Erin Hellmann (9)
Along with grape and orange juice, Erin Hellmann (9) pours milk for the staff breakfast. "I loved talking to the teachers early in the morning," Hellman said.



Adam Monaghan (12)
Adam Monaghan (12) opens a new package of sausage while preparing breakfast for the staff.



Kailee Kaiser (9)
Helping prepare for the staff breakfast, Kailee Kaiser (9) pours chocolate milk for the staff to drink. "I can't wait to actually cook pancakes next year," Kaiser said.