

**career development events are held for FFA chapters in northeast Missouri**

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Putnam County, Green City, and Milan FFA chapters are among those from this area to qualify the most judging teams for state following district-level competitions this week for northeast Missouri schools. Putnam County of Unionville will send six judging teams to the state FFA convention this month; Green City qualified four teams; and Milan will send three teams. Teams from Green City and Meadville captured first place at the northeast Missouri career development events.

Putnam County FFA teams headed to state and their placement at districts are dairy foods second; dairy cattle, entomology, and forestry fifth place each; agronomy and meats teams both were ranked seventh. Their soils team is an alternate. Members of the district runnerup dairy foods team at Unionville are Craig Griswold who was 2nd; Ashley Starrett 6th, Dakota Owings 7th, and Samantha Shipley. A member of the entomology team at Unionville, Sam Doty, was the third high individual. And another student, Katelyn Gillum, ranked fourth among all dairy cattle judges at district.

Green City FFA teams eligible for state including the first place at district team for dairy cattle judging. Others are livestock that was third as well as meats and poultry which both finished fourth.

Members of the top ranked dairy cattle team at Green City are Miranda Coulson who was first individually, Samantha Coulson 7th, Natalie Ayers was 9th and the other member is Zack Ayers. Among other results, Green City's Shelby Dolan was the second high individual at district in judging of livestock.

Milan FFA teams headed to state include entomology that placed fourth; dairy cattle in a fifth place tie; and horses sixth place.

Meadville FFA teams qualifying for state include the top ranked (1st) livestock team and the 12th place in agronomy. Members of the district winning livestock team from the Meadville school are Joel Martin and Miriam Martin who finished first and third individual high plus Tyler Dinsmore and Erin Shiflett.

Linn County R-1 and Newtown Harris each send one FFA team to state.

At the district-level contests, Linn County R-1 was tenth in agronomy; and Newtown-Harris was 11th in livestock judging.