

State Officer Experience

2018 Oregon FFA State Officers



Team Introduction



Kourtney Lehman

Position: *State President*

Hometown: *Baker City*

SAE Background:

Market Steer

Forage Production and Management

KIVA

Future Plans: *Oregon State University*

Ag Business and Management



Emma Rooker

Position: *State Vice President*

Hometown: *Bend*

SAE Background:

Club Lamb Production

Market Steers/ Breeding Cattle

Floriculture

Future Plans: *Biola University*

Theology and Business Management



Lee Wesenberg

Position: *State Reporter*

Hometown: *Sutherlin*

SAE Background:

Livestock pen/nutrition management

Forest management

Blueberry Farm Summer 2017

Future Plans: *Oregon State University*

Nuerology



Jensen Kemble

Position: *State Secretary*

Hometown: *Ontario*

SAE Background:

Custom Hay and Straw Farm

Bee Boards

Beef Production (Steer)

Future Plans: *Oregon State University*

Ag Business Management

Leadership Camps

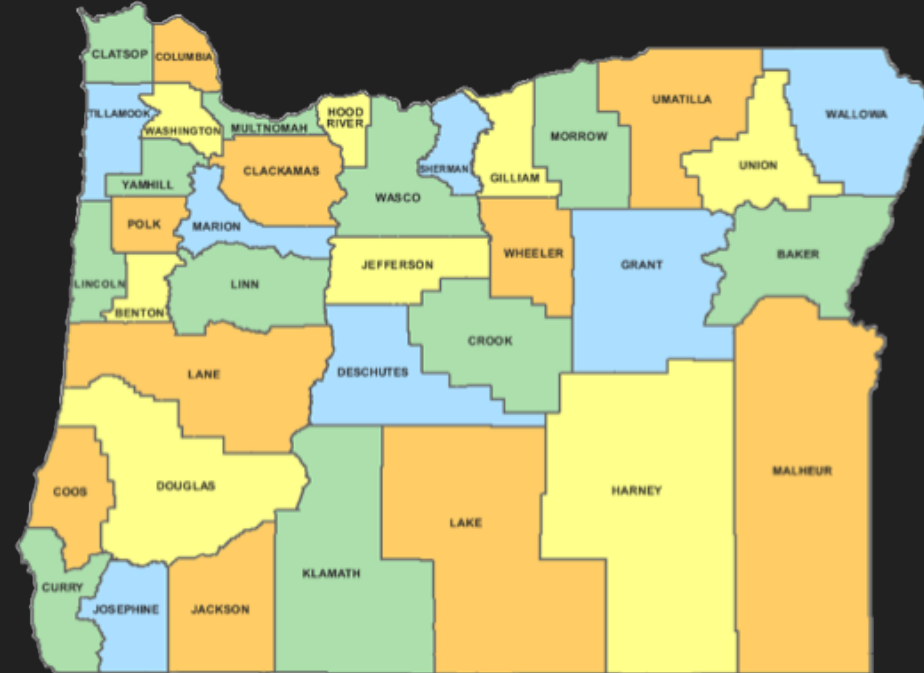
- As a team, we attended and facilitated workshops in leadership camps across Oregon in the months of April, June, September and October.
- There are currently twelve FFA districts in Oregon, however, we attended nine leadership camps, due to the combining of certain districts.



Leadership camp locations

The leadership camps that we visited this year were:

- Umpqua
- Southern Oregon
- Eastern Oregon
- Central Oregon
- Capital
- Upper Willamette
- Northwest, Mt. Hood, Lower Willamette
- Blue Mountain
- Snake River and Strawberry Mountain



Audience of Leadership Camps

- The audience at a leadership camp was never the same.
- Usually mostly chapter officers, however, at times, other FFA members were mixed in groups as well.
- Diverse age groups supplied us with the need to make workshops flexible for everyone.





Purpose of camps

- Help students understand what to focus on as FFA students/officers throughout their year.
- Provide a relaxed environment that gives student an opportunity to learn how to be an active FFA member.
- Help students learn how they can be the best leaders they can be in/out of school and FFA.



Purpose of Camp (continued)

- Push students out of their comfort zone in order to gain new friendships.
- Give students impactful ideas to walk away with that they can apply to their life/chapter.



What Leadership Camps provide for State Officers

- Being able to be part of the changes in students' lives.
- Made friendships with multiple students at the camps.
- Helped us develop our abilities as teachers.
- Allowed us to make personal connections that we will remember forever.



Leadership Tour: *One Team, 115 Schools*

- Collectively visit nearly every school with an agriculture program
- Travel the equivalent of 30,000 miles



Workshop Curriculum

- Teamwork
- Service
- Problem Solving
- Skill Diversity
- Emotional Intelligence
- Power of Relationships/Connection
- Agricultural Advocacy







What does Leadership Tour provide State Officers?

- Elite Facilitation Training
 - Economy of Language
 - Kinesthetic, Visual and Verbal Learning
 - Engaging students in a productive manner.
- Hands-On, In-Class Experience



National FFA Convention

- Indianapolis, IN
- October 21st-29th, 2017
- 65,000 FFA members from across the country
- National finals for many career development events



National Convention State Officer Duties

- Committee Work
 - 6 Committees
 - Student Led Organization
- Delegates
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- Connect with Oregon Members



National Convention for Members

- Meet members from across the country
- Sessions
 - Keynote Speakers
 - Awards
- Expo
 - Career
 - College
- Service Projects



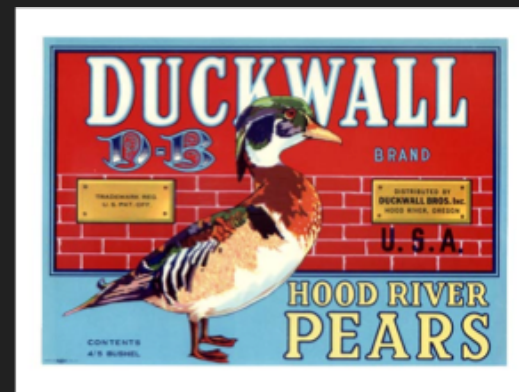
Business and Industry Tours

- Over 40 Different Business
- Source for Funding
 - State Convention
 - State Officer Expenses
- Goodwill
- Connection To Ag



Business and Industry Tours (State Officer Benefit)

- Broader scope of Oregon ag
- Possible future careers
- Gives us ideas to pass onto members
- Unique opportunity



What is ILSSO?

International Leadership Seminar for State Officers

Overview: This is a 1-2 week trip for current and past State Officers provided by National FFA. Participants gain knowledge by visiting farms and agribusinesses as well as sharing in the local culture of a foreign nation.

Where: South Africa (*Johannesburg, Pretoria, Cape Town*)

When: January 2nd-16th

Who: 75 State Officers from around the nation
5 Chaperones



Timeline



Farm Visits

Pretoria Boeremark-*Farmer's Market*

Farms:

- *Avocado/ Banana/ Macadamia Nuts*
- *Boer Goat (100% indigenous breed)*
- *Dairy Goat*
- *Embryo Plus Centre (Exported 12,000+ Embryos)*
- *Crocodile*
- *Apple*
- *Abalone*
- *Hoekstra Fruit Exporters*
- *Ostrich*
- *Vineyard*





Cultural Experiences

Table Mountain

Kliptown

Botanical Gardens

Robben Island

Game Reserve

Apartheid Museum

African Leadership Academy





Why ILSSO?

- Empower students by providing global perspective
 - Learn about agriculture abroad
- Make connections across nation as well as internationally
 - Strengthen cultural intelligence

