



Ponderosa FFA Monday Memo 3/19/2018

Thank you and Congratulations!

***Congratulations to our Central Region Public Speakers!** The Central Region Public Speaking Finals was held last Friday at Modesto Junior College. The top four students from each Section in the Central Region compete in each speaking contest category to determine which students are the top four in the region and will be moving on to the CA State FFA Public Speaking Finals in April. We are very proud and excited to announce that Chris Archibald placed third in Impromptu speaking, and Jada Lang placed third in FFA Creed. Both students will be representing our chapter and competing at State Finals. Great Job!

***Thank you to our FFA Boosters and all of our parent volunteers!** This past weekend our FFA Boosters hosted their annual Dinner and Auction event. Thank you to everyone for all of your time and hard work that went into making this event a success!

This Week

Monday 3/19 Collab Day

Tuesday 3/20 Wear FFA Gear to School!

*Lunch: Greenhand Officer Meeting in Rm. H-9

*5pm: FFA Chapter Meeting in the Cafeteria.

*6pm: FFA Booster Parent Meeting in Rm L-14.

*6:30pm: **Mandatory Student AND Parent El Dorado County Livestock Exhibitor Meeting** in the Cafeteria. Student and parent check in required in order for students to stay eligible to show at the El Dorado County Fair. At the end of the meeting we will be breaking out into species groups. It is required for everyone to stay until the end of the meeting.

Wednesday 3/21

*2:30pm-4:30pm: Horse Judging practice in Rm L-14

Thursday 3/22

*2:30-4pm: Public Speaking practice in Rm L-14

Friday 3/23

Saturday 3/24

*Modesto Junior College Field Day: Good luck to our Horse Judging Team!

Future events

*Monday March 26- Friday March 30: Spring Break

*Saturday, March 31: Gridley Field Day

*Tuesday, April 3: Project Competition Banquet

*Friday, April 6: SF Flower Market Trip for Floral students

*Saturday April 14: School Farm Work Day

Fundraisers

***Ponderosa FFA Decal Stickers on Sale Now!** Decals come in your choice of three colors: Green, Grey, or White. Perfect for your vehicles, water bottles, and more. Available Monday-Friday this week for \$5 each in Mrs. Sawyer's room, either at lunch or after school.



Bruin Blooms!

* Flower of the Month (\$30/month) and Bonus Bouquet (\$15/month) memberships are still available. Please let Mrs. Fletcher know if you are interested by the first of each month. Thank you for supporting our students! bfletcher@eduhd.net or [\(530\) 677-2281 ext. 2380](tel:(530)677-2281)

Seniors

* Reminder that scholarship applications are due at various dates, including the following: March 1, March 15, March 31, and April 1. Be sure to get your applications turned in on time. See the list of Agricultural based Scholarships and be sure to apply!

FFA Boosters

***FFA Booster Meeting** Tuesday, March 20. 6pm in Rm L-14.

Leadership Opportunities

***Sacramento Section FFA Officer Applications available now!**

Any sophomore and junior FFA members who have earned their Chapter Degree are eligible to run for our Sacramento Section Officer Team. See your advisor if you are interested. All application materials are due no later than March 30th.

***State FFA Convention Important Dates**

Payment Schedule

Payments are per person

\$100 non-refundable deposit by Friday January 19th

\$200 non-refundable payment by Friday, February 23rd

Final payment of \$150 due by Friday, March 16th

All payments need to be turned into the PHS Finance Window.

Cash or Checks made out to Ponderosa FFA

Ag Experience and Community Service Opportunities

*Interested in gaining some hands-on experience with draft horses? The Meeting with a Giant organization is offering internship experiences for all interested students. If you are interested, please go to the following website for more information or contact Mrs. Sawyer <http://www.meetingwithagiant.com/>

Other Information

***Interested in getting a CA AGRICULTURE LICENSE PLATE?**

California FFA is giving away 750 free CalAg Plates. Support California Agriculture Education by going to this link for the application: <https://www.calaged.org/docs/reg17.pdf>

Fill out, print, and mail to: California FFA, PO Box 460, Galt, CA 95632. Applications will be forwarded to DMV with payment, plate owners are responsible for annual renewal fees.

Helped Needed!

***Donations of dimensional lumber or metal:** if anyone is aware of any potential donations available for our Ag mechanics program, please email Mr. Valencia at ivalencia@eduhd.k12.ca.us