



Ponderosa FFA Monday Memo 4/16/2018

Congratulations and Thank you!

***Reedley College Field Day:** On Saturday our Horse Judging team competed at the Reedley College Field Day and we are excited to congratulate Alisia Rodriguez for winning 2nd place in the Performance Class judging subcontest! Next week our team will be competing at the Fresno State Field Day, good luck ladies!

***School Farm Work Day:** Thank you to everyone that came out to work and help at our School Farm Work Day!

This Week

Monday 4/16

*3pm: Chapter Officer candidate Interviews. All candidates please report to Rm L-14.

Tuesday 4/17

*5pm: FFA Chapter Meeting, followed by Chapter Officer Candidate Meet and Greet. Meeting and activities will be held in the Cafeteria.

Wednesday 4/18

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

5:45-6:45pm: Rabbit Project Meeting-Mandatory for all Rabbit exhibitors. Rm. L-14.

Thursday 4/19

*CA FFA Public Speaking Finals at the Fresno Convention Center: Good luck to our speakers Chris Archibald and Jada Lang! Chris is competing in Impromptu speaking and Jada is competing in FFA Creed finals.

Friday 4/20

*Lunch: El Dorado County 3rd Grade Farm Day meeting for all students volunteering to help with this event as a presenter or general volunteer. Mandatory to attend this meeting at lunch in Rm. L-14.

Saturday 4/21

*Fresno State Field Day: Good luck to our Horse Judging Team!

Sunday 4/22: Leaving for CA FFA State Leadership Convention. Meet at student parking lot by Rm S-2. The group will be leaving no later than 6am.

Future events

*Sunday, April 22-Wednesday, April 25: **CA FFA State Leadership Convention**

*Thursday, April 26-Friday, April 27: 2:30-5pm. **Chapter Officer Candidates Speech Recording** in Rm. L-14. Set up your recording time with Mr. Valencia or Mrs. Sawyer.

*Friday, May 4-Sunday, May 6: **CA FFA State Judging Finals** at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

*Tuesday, May 8: **El Dorado County 3rd Grade Farm Day**

Bruin Blooms!

*The Bruin Blooms Mother's Day designs have SOLD OUT. Thank you for supporting our students and program!
bletcher@eduhd.net or (530) 677-2281 ext. 2380

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.



Leadership Opportunities

Chapter Officer Applications are now available. Applications are due completed by Friday, April 13. Interviews will be held on Monday, April 16th after school. Chapter Officer Candidate Meet and Greet on Tuesday, April 17th following the FFA Chapter Meeting. Speech Recording will take place in the afternoons on Thursday April 26 and Friday April 27. Voting will take place during classes on Tuesday, May 1.

Seniors

***Modesto Junior College New Student Day:** For all students who plan to attend MJC beginning in the Summer 2018 Semester. Saturday, June 14, 2018. 8am at MJC, East Campus. Check out the following link for more details.
www.mjc.edu/studentservices/ssa

Ag Experience and Community Service Opportunities

*Goat Basics Workshop: Saturday, May 19 at 8am. Beginner level, half-day workshop on the basics of goat keeping and care. A mix of classroom style presentation, demonstrations, and discussion on a broad variety of topics. FFA and 4-H members and their families receive a 30% discount on registration. Children 12 and older are welcome to attend with an attending adult. Topics include: Health, Physiology and Behavior, Housing, Fencing, Pasture, Protection, Nutrition, Parasites, Injuries, Medications, Routine Care, and Networking with Breeders, veterinarians, universities, and more. Please see the following link for more information and to register:

<http://www.creesbrothersfarm.com/education--workshops.html>

*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