

# ELKTON CHARTER SCHOOL

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## ELKTON FFA NEWSLETTER

### Elkton FFA “Digs” Soils Competition

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#### Upcoming events

- **Fall costume Carnival-**  
EHS gym, *October 31st*
- **District Rituals Contest -**  
Sutherlin, *November 8th*
- **District Ag Sales -**  
Sutherlin, *November 19th*

On Tuesday October 5th, nine FFA members loaded up on the bus and headed to Days Creek for their very first shot at the FFA district soils competition. All I can say is, what an experience! Who knew you could actually compete in a soils competition? Not only that, but who knew there was so much to know about soil in the first place?

When we arrived at the site of the soils competition we set out to the practice pit. With our soil extraction tools in hand, we headed into the pit.

The Elkton FFA chapter is off to a whole new start this year. With our new advisor, Braden Groth, we have new changes to our chapter.

One of the bigger changes this year is the election of a chapter officer team. The elected officers are: President Hannah Whitely, Vice President Tyler Trout, Secre-



Soil judges from left to right: Jackson Murphy, Tyler Trout, Noah Miller

ary Jackson Murphy, Treasurer Stanley Dunas, Reporter(s) Rachel Winslow and Alauna O'Brien, and Sentinel Brandon Bowen. As the first chapter officer team there are many things that we have already incorporated into the chapter. Each officer has developed a plan of action, and have already

and a half later, our heads hurting and our bodies covered in soil, we had finally finished. Out of a hundred FFA members, Chris Evoniuk finished 11th and Jackson Murphy finished 12th. As a team Elkton finished fourth in the district.

For our first time competing in the soils competition, we were very happy with how we did. In the end, we all learned a lot and had a fun time in the process.

Rachel Winslow, Chapter Reporter

### Newly-Elected Officers Excited About Upcoming Year

dove into the implementation process. The chapter has also started a chapter newsletter and the planning stages of a chapter website. The officers look forward to making this year fun for all members.

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LEARNING TO DO,  
DOING TO LEARN,  
EARNING TO LIVE,  
LIVING TO SERVE.  
- FFA MOTTO

**Elkton FFA Website  
Coming Soon!**

## Leadership Camp was a “Big Deal”

Throughout the days of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup>, the Elkton FFA chapter attended the Umpqua FFA District Leadership Camp. The camp was held at Little River Christian Camp and was attended by six other chapters with nearly 100 members in attendance. The camp was an opportunity for chapter growth and a time to form bonds with FFA members from around the district. For the Elkton FFA chapter, the 2010 Umpqua FFA District Leadership Camp was nothing but a positive experience.

Split into six groups (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel), members attended workshops with like minded members. At these workshops, each member was given the tools that they could bring home to benefit their chapter.

Other activities included “icebreaker” activities (designed to loosen up the tense feeling of the meeting room), a dance/, and an ice cream social. Each student participated in one public speaking activity of their choice including prepared and extemporaneous speaking, flag raising/lowering ceremonies, rituals, and the presentation of the FFA creed.

Those who placed in the competition include **Tyler Trout** (first place Extemporaneous Speaking), **Hannah Whitley** (second place Prepared Speaking and second place President Rituals), **Alauna O’Brien** (first place Secretary Rituals), **Stanley Dunas** (second place Treasurer Rituals), and **Anna Harris** (second place – Introduction of Presenter). The chapter placed second in the Chapter Problem Solving competition. The chapter also made goals which we WILL accomplish. All in all the camp was an awesome experience.

Hannah Whitley, Chapter President

## Officer Highlight

*This Month’s Highlight: Rachel Winslow, Chapter Reporter*

My name is Rachel Winslow and I’m a senior at Elkton High School.

This year I have been elected as the reporter for our FFA chapter. I am very excited to bring a lot of new changes to our chapter including this newsletter and many other things. We will also be setting up a

website for the FFA chapter that will have pictures and a lot of information about the activities we’ve participated in throughout the year. Our other chapter reporter, Alauna O’Brien, will be heading up the chapter website.

I have a lot of past experience that will allow me to succeed as reporter for the chapter. I’ve been involved

with leadership roles that will help me with the position including student council and sports. I look forward to doing the best I can to keep the public informed about all the events.

