

# ELKTON FFA



## ELKTON CHARTER SCHOOL



## UMPQUA DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP CAMP

On September 12th 2015, Elkton FFA joined other FFA chapters from the Umpqua District Leadership Camp at the Little River Christian Camp near Glide, Oregon for District Leadership Camp.

While there, members separated into different officer groups, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel. When in their designated officer groups, the members were mentored by district and state officer of their own office. In order to participate in activities, members from different chapters mingled and everyone had to step out of their comfort zones. All the officer teams competed in a series of volleyball matches, and a series of Ultimate Frisbee matches.

Each member was assigned a "dinner date". Where they would eat lunch and dinner with their partner and get to know them. As each meal concluded, each member would introduce their partner.

Eventually, different members where assigned to certain groups for public speaking competitions. The different competitions were Creed Speaking, Rituals, Prepared Public Speaking, Introductions, and Extemporaneous Public Speaking.

Elkton FFA members competed very well. Kai Wood placed first for Creed Speaking, Maisie Cox placed second for Rituals Reporter, Maggie Briggs earned third place for Rituals Vice President, and Dariyan Woodard also placed third for rituals Secretary. Gracie Lyons placed first in Prepared Public Speaking, Haillee Abraham placed first in Introductions, and Kim Davis placed second in Introductions.

Our trip concluded on September 14th 2015, as Elkton FFA members made their long drive back to Elkton. The members had a great time with new experiences and developing better leadership skills. Elkton FFA will be attending again in 2016.



Elkton FFA members at Umpqua District Leadership Camp.

*Maisie Cox, Reporter*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Christmas Tree & Metal Art Sale

December 5th & 6th, EHS Parking Lot

#### District Job Interview, Creed & Proficiencies

February 3rd, Days Creek

#### District Leadership CDEs

February 10th, Sutherlin

#### National FFA Week

February 20th-28th

#### Sectional Leadership Skills

February 29th, Willamette Valley

#### State FFA Convention

March 19th-21st, Corvallis

## **Chapter Member of the Month**

### **Emberly Herndon**



**Grade:** 12th

**Favorite Class:** Advanced Ag

**FFA Activities:** Soils, Forestry, Fall Degree Ceremony, Chapter Banquet

**School Activities:**  
Cheerleading

### **Congratulations!**

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**Learning To Do,  
Doing To Learn,  
Earning To Live,  
Living To Serve.**

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## **SUMMER HIGHWAY CLEANUP**

On June 17th 2015, six members from the Elkton FFA chapter participated in the first highway cleanup. Elkton FFA adopted a mile stretch of Highway 38 during FFA Week in 2015. Holly Parker, Coal Fulton, Victoria LaChapelle, Ally Swearingen, Brandon Rockwood, and Cassidy Harris took the initiative and were the first members to cleanup the highway.

They started by splitting into two groups and started at the Elkton

intersection. One group went through town and past the high school, and the other group went town towards Drain. After a few hours, the members met back up in the middle. The day ended with ice cream at the ECEC Outpost, courtesy of Mr. Groth. The next highway cleanup will be at the end of the month.

The chapter adopted the highway as a way to give back to the community. Over the years they community has

supported the Elkton FFA chapter in countless ways. The highway adoption is

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*Holly Parker, Coal Fulton, Cassidy Harris, and Brandon Rockwood cleaning up the stretch of highway Elkton FFA*

supported the Elkton FFA chapter in countless ways. simply a way to say thank you!

## **UMPQUA DISTRICT SOILS COMPETITION**

On October 6th 2015, Elkton FFA members competed in the Umpqua District Soils Competition in Myrtle Creek, Oregon. There, members judged three soil pits based on their physical properties including soil texture, structure, and horizon make-up. Members also were responsible for determining best uses of the sites and management characteristics .

Elkton FFA members competed well. The beginning team placed second and the advanced team placed third. The beginning high individual for Elkton was Hannah Maxwell and Emberly Halstead for the advanced team.

*Maisie Cox, Reporter*

