# Kansas Exchange



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Hello, Kansas FBLA! As you read through the May Issue of the *Kansas Exchange* you will come across Officer Spotlights, SLS Info, SLC Results, and Chapter highlights! I am ecstatic that I have been chosen to be your next State FBLA Editor! I hope to build on and improve my formers work with this newsletter and I look forward to this next year with all of our Kansas State Future Business Leaders! -State FBLA Editor, Sarah Wright



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## **Officer Spotlights**



Mason Lytle President



Sarah Rose Parliamentarian

Mason Lytle, Kansas FBLA State President, attends Wellsville High School. He became an officer because he wanted to give back to the organization that has given him so many opportunities. He wanted to give members the same experiences that he got to have, while also giving them new and differentiated experiences. The members drive him to be the best that he can be and they push him to work hard every day. Mason wants readers to know that he has served on the National Mountain Plains Region Council twice and he is always available to talk and help with whatever is needed so don't hesitate to reach out and ask questions.



Secretary

Mallory Arnold, the Secretary, attends Herington High School. She decided to become an officer when Aidan mentioned he was going to do it, and she thought "YOLO" and joined him. She ended up falling in love with the experience and the connections she made with other people, so she decided to do it again. Mallory has six cats, her natural hair is dark brown, and she has a half-sister who lives halfway across the United States. Sarah Rose attends Girard High School. "After serving on the board with such amazing, talented people last year and seeing the impact we had on Kansas FBLA, I knew I couldn't just go back to being a normal member. I am blessed to have the opportunity to serve for another year with another incredible group." says Sarah when asked why she ran for another state office position. Three fun facts about her are that she sleepwalks, she has been in the Kansas All State Choir five times, and she really loves chips and salsa!



Treasurer

Coben Hoppe, the Treasurer, attends Pleasant Ridge High School. He decided to run for office because he wants to give back to FBLA and the Kansas FBLA community. Coben has participated in the state cross-country championships twice and enjoys playing guitar as his favorite hobby. Last year, he served as the District II Vice President.

## **Officer Spotlights**



District I VP

Haleigh Warner, the District I Vice President, attends Girard High School. She became an officer because the opportunity presented itself and she felt it was something she couldn't pass up. Haleigh believed she could excel in the position and learn many things from the experiences it would bring. She is a senior in high school, and her goal is to become a music therapist after attending college. Haleigh loves all things logical and complicated, such as puzzles, music, and psychology. Additionally, she adores all kinds of animals and plants.



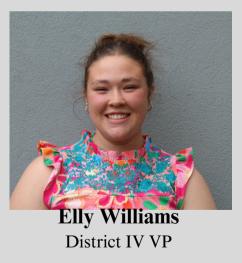
Isabelle Ecklund District III VP

Isabelle Ecklund, from Herington, saw becoming a State Officer as a great opportunity to improve her leadership skills and push herself out of her comfort zone. People tend to say she's very dramatic, she grew up on a farm, and she's a huge K-State fan.



Grace Piche District II VP

Grace Piche, the District II VP, attends Pleasant Ridge High School. She wanted to become an officer because of her sister. She is a huge role model to her and she wants to follow in her footsteps and contribute back to her community because of all the things they have done for her. Some things Grace wants to share, she has been to Walt Disney world five times, she has been dancing since she was five, and she has been on the 82nd floor of the Empire State Building.



Elly Williams, the District 4 Vice President, attends Republic County. She became an officer because she fell in love with the organization and all the opportunities it provides. Elly loves pineapple on pizza, is an only child, and her favorite sport is softball.

## **Officer Spotlights**



District VI

Anya Maheshwari, the District VI Vice President, attends Olathe South High School. She became an officer because it is an opportunity to give back to the community that fostered her interest in business. This community has had a significant influence on her personal growth and passion for business. Serving as an FBLA State Officer allows her to pay it forward and encourage her peers to pursue their own passions through FBLA's vast array of events and activities. Anya is a vegetarian, has a passion for marketing and finance, and enjoys getting involved with her school through the Math Honors Society, DECA, and Forensics.



**Tyler Bolt** District VII VP

Tyler Bolt, our District VII Vice President, attends Santa Fe Trail. He became an officer because he saw it as an opportunity to better himself in the business world. Tyler plans to attend K-State to become an accountant, he also enjoys traveling and FBLA has been a good opportunity for that.

#### **SLS Workshops**

- Icebreakers -
  - Icebreaker activities
- Put the FUN in Fundraising
  - Fundraising tips and ideas for your chapter
- Simply the Best
  - Learn about all of the recognition programs FBLA has to offer
- What's Your Color?
  - Personality quiz
- Ready, Set, Win!
  - Learn what it takes to create a winning project

- Let's Run This Thing!
  - How to run an effective meeting
- Speed Interviews
  - Mock-Interviews
- Shark Tank
  - Groups will make products and present them to a panel of judges.
- So YOU Want to be a State Officer
  - Learn what it takes to become a state officer

### Summer Leadership Seminar Pittsburg State University Student Union July 22, 2024

#### **Dress Code**

We would like the participants to look sharp, but also feel comfortable. Therefore, during the workshops and sessions, participants should be dressed in country club casual dress attire.

\*Gentlemen: Khakis and Button up shirts/polos \*Ladies: Nice Blouse/polos, and capri's/slacks Chapter T-Shirts will be allowed

### **Our Facilitator**

Kelly Barnes is a full-time speaker, husband, and father. Throughout his career, Kelly has taught over one million students, teachers, and industry professionals across the United States and Canada. His keynotes, workshops, and leadership training seminars are upbeat and engaging with tangible takeaways for attendees. Kelly has extensive experience in training teams and individuals in the areas of organizational leadership, personal growth, relationship building, and goal setting.

#### **<u>Registration</u>** Due By: June 1st

\$25 per attendee Advisers attend for free Registration should be completed via the Google form sent to your advisers. If they did not receive the form, please contact Sarah Rose.



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- 8:30 A.M. • REGISTRATION
- 9:00 A.M. 12:00 P.M.
  KELLY BARNS, FACILITATOR
- 12:15 12:30 P.M. • FASHION SHOW
- 12:30 1:30 P.M. • LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
- 1:45 3:45 P.M. • WORKSHOPS

-photo of Wellsville's FBLA state competitors

#### **SLC Highlights / Chapter Highlights**



#### LINN FBLA HOSTS ANNUAL RECOGNITION SUPPER

On May 8, 2024, Linn FBLA held their annual recognition supper in the old gym at Linn High School for members and their parents. Our chapter also invited the eighth graders to get a sneak peek on how exciting FBLA can be! After eating, our newly elected officers directed the emblem ceremony. Members that received awards at the district and state conferences were recognized and given their certificates. We honored our national qualifiers and shared a few of the activities they may do while in Orlando. Mrs. Dague then shared her favorite memories, proceeding to give her final good-bye to the Linn FBLA chapter after her 13 years as our adviser. We wrapped up the evening with the installation of our 2024-2025 officers. The news officers are President - Camryn Beikmann, Vice President - Addison Herrs, Secretary - Emily Beikmann, Treasurer -Daniel Nabors, Reporter - Ella Oehmke, and Student Council - Rylan Schaaf.



Submitted By : Ella Oehmke, Linn FBLA Reporter

#### **Girard High School**

Outgoing Kansas State Secretary and Girard Chapter President was honored with the outstanding Chapter Member FBLA neck medallion in recognition of her leadership and dedication to continue strengthening her chapter at the local level. All seniors who participated in all four components of service, competition, social events, and fundraising received blue and gold cords to wear as distinguished FBLA members at graduation.

- Girard FBLA Adviser, Beth Wilson



-Photo after results of the chapter elections for the 2024-2025 school year.



-Photo after State Award Assembly



-Photo of Carly Reif, Girard Chapter Outstanding Member.