

## **State FFA Officer Biography and Information**

Name: Ryan Slaubaugh

Office: North Dakota FFA State Sentinel

FFA Chapter: Rugby

Family: Diane and Wilmer (Parents)

**SAE:** My Supervised Agricultural Experience was cutting wood with my father for the past four years. We would cut, haul, and split wood in order to heat our house.

**CDEs/LDEs:** Ag Sales, Floriculture, Parliamentary Procedure, Extemporaneous Speaking, Milk Quality, Small Animal Care, Demonstration, Land Judging, Advanced Quiz, Greenhand Quiz



**Favorite Contest:** My favorite contest is Ag Sales because it was the first CDE I ever did and it was the contest that challenged me the most. It helped push me outside of my comfort zone and think outside the box.

**Favorite FFA Memory:** My FFA memory was the Winter CDE State Contest my junior year. My Ag Sales Teammates and I were determined to place first, so the night before the contest we stayed up and studied for hours. It may not seem like fun, but with my teammates and friends, it was the best. We ended up taking second place, but it was still one of my favorite memories.

**Future Plans:** I plan to attend North Dakota State University in the fall of 2024 and majoring in Agricultural Education. I would like to become a high school Agricultural Education Teacher.

**About Me:** I come from a family of farmers. My grandparents, dad and brother all are farmers and even though I was never that interested in the farming aspect, agriculture has still always been one of my passions. I like exploring and showing others what agriculture can be other than just farming. I joined FFA initially because it seemed fun, but as I participated I realized how much it made me grow as a person. It helped me break out of my shell and has taught me skills and confidence that helped me become who I am today. A fun fact about me is that one of my favorite hobbies is sewing. I have sewn my own three piece suit from scratch, including creating my own pattern.

Why did you want to be a State Officer? I wanted to serve as a State FFA Officer because FFA has helped me grow and improve so much. I used to be a very shy kid and I have seen first hand what the FFA Organization can do for others. I wanted to be able to help and give back to this amazing organization.

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