

Area FFA Member recognized

**(KMZA)--A Valley Heights FFA member has received one of the association's top honors.**

**Wesley Denton was recognized as the State Star Farmer during the virtual 93rd Kansas FFA Convention, which was held June 2–4.**

**Each year, the Kansas FFA Association recognizes three FFA members who have the top Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs with the Star Farmer, Star in Agribusiness, and Star in Ag Placement awards. The Kansas Star Farmer award is sponsored by United Bank and Trust.**

**Denton' SAE is in Beef Production – Entrepreneurship. During his SAE experience, he expanded and grew his beef operation while working at Springhill Herefords. He started his operation at 3 years old when his grandfather gave him his first heifer. Since then, his herd size has grown to 45 mature cows, along with 25 heifers, steers, and bulls. Denton has gained valuable knowledge related to successful beef production, including research on breeding beef cattle as well as haying and row crop operations.**

**Wesley is the son of John and Angie Denton. His FFA chapter advisor is Drew Obermeyer.**

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