

## Oklahoma FFA Foundation Names Fye As Executive Director

Former Agricultural Education Instructor Commits Support to a Culture of Excellence



Jacey Fye, former Agricultural Education Instructor and FFA Advisor, has been named Executive Director of the Oklahoma FFA Foundation. The third individual to hold this title since the organization was founded in 1985. The Foundation exists to assist Oklahoma residents in the understanding, instruction, production and other vital roles played by fields related to agriculture, as well as support FFA students and leadership programs.

Fye's experience in agriculture supports the Foundation's core values. Growing up on a farming and ranching operation in Southwest Oklahoma, she was introduced to the production and processing of agriculture at a young age. As a former FFA member, Fye participated in many opportunities the Foundation provides for its students. These experiences shaped her future as she explored her career options.

In 2004, Fye received a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Education from Oklahoma State University. Upon graduation, she had the privilege of serving as an Agricultural Education Instructor and FFA Advisor for 14 years, spending 3 years at Moore and 11 years at her hometown of Comanche. To advance her goals, Fye earned a Master of Science degree in Behavioral Sciences from Cameron University. This allowed her to be recruited to Duncan Public Schools as a counselor, serving in an administrative role.

"We are excited to welcome Jacey as the third Oklahoma FFA Foundation Executive Director. Her experiences have developed various skills with strengths in leadership, communication and public relations to prepare her for this role. She will be a valuable asset to the Oklahoma FFA Foundation as she advocates and supports a culture of excellence." said Brett Ramsey, foundation board chairman.

The Oklahoma FFA Foundation seeks to strengthen Agricultural Education and the FFA so each student can develop their potential for personal growth, career success and leadership. The Foundation strives to provide businesses, associations, private foundations and individuals the opportunity to contribute to the leadership development programs of the FFA.

FFA is an integral part of the Agricultural Education division in the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education system. With more than 26,000 members and 360 chapters, the Oklahoma FFA Association is the fourth-largest state FFA association. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. To learn more about the Oklahoma FFA Association and Foundation, visit www.okffa.org.