

### **State Officer Application**

Quinn Alexandra Browning (Quinn) Prairie View FFA Chapter



## Educational Background and Status

### High School

Prairie View High School

#### Chapter Name Prairie View

Chapter Number KS0094

Number in High School Class 53

Your Rank in High School Class

Semesters of Agricultural Education Completed 8

Years in FFA 4

In what level of education are you currently enrolled? High School

If you will be enrolled in post-secondary education following election to state office, where will you be attending? Kansas State University

Anticipated College Major Agricultural Education

### **Career Objective**

To graduate college with a major in Agricultural Education and then find a job being an Ag Teacher/FFA Advisor.

## FFA and Agriculture Education Experience

### Supervised Agriculture Experience Program and Scope

I am a customer service associate at the Linn Valley Lake Shop. The first year, I was responsible for selling propane, bait, firewood, and dock ladders to residents and lake visitors. I operate the cash register, stock products, and maintain inventory. Now, I train new employees in addition to these duties. I have an additional placement SAE in beef production at Browning/Haupt Farms. Here, I assist with the processing of cattle. Maximum of 500 characters

# FFA Leadership Experience: (Office/Committee Assignment, Organization/Group, Year Held) - List up to 5

Greenhand Chapter Treasurer - 1 year. Chapter Treasurer - 1 year. Strengthening Agriculture Committee Chair / Chapter Recruitment - 2 years. Building Communities Committee Member/ Stakeholder Engagement. - 1 year Growing Leaders Committee Member/ Career Success. - 1 year Example: Chapter Vice President, Blue and Gold FFA Chapter, 1 year (2019-2020)

# FFA Activities: (Chapter, District or National Events; CDEs; LDEs; Leadership Programs; and other FFA sponsored activities) - List up to 10

PV FFA Chapter Recruitment - 2 years PV FFA Annual Chili Feed - 4 years ECD Employment Skills LDE - 1 year ECD Farm Management CDE - 1 year ECD Banquet - 1 year Kansas FFA State Floriculture CDE - 2 years Kansas FFA State Entomology CDE - 2 years Kansas FFA State Convention Courtesy Corps - 2 years National FFA Day of Service - 2 years National FFA Convention - 4 years Examples: Livestock Judging CDE - 3 years; Leader Lab - 1 year; National Convention - 2 years

### Other Leadership and Service Activities: (Community, School, 4-H, Church, Sports,

#### Clubs, etc.) - List up to 10

PVHS -National Honors Society Member
PVHS - Yearbook Editor
PVHS - Scholar Bowl
PVHS - Fellowship of Christian Athletes
PVHS - Class Secretary
PVHS - Softball
PVHS - Cross Country
Living Proof Children's Ministries Volunteer
LaCygne Methodist Food Pantry Volunteer
Examples: Football Team - 4 years; CYO - 2 years; 4-H - Member (10 years), Club President (2 years)

## **Essay Questions**

# What is your biggest accomplishment up until now? How has it shaped you and your leadership style?

As of now, the accomplishment I am most proud of is being elected and serving as a chapter FFA officer at Prairie View. I have worked hard to earn this position. As an officer, I have had multiple opportunities to expand my skillset and grow as a leader.

As I leader, I understand the importance of effectively communicating with my teammates and chapter members. Before being a chapter officer, I did not enjoy speaking in front of others, but this role has shaped my public speaking skills and helped me become a good communicator.

It is also important create an environment where my teammates and I are engaged in productive work. Getting to be a part of this officer team has shown me what it is like to truly be part of a team. Prior to this experience, my idea of teamwork was geared toward a sports team, but being a chapter officer has shown me how visions and goals can be shared among individuals outside of sports. My fellow officers and I have been able to foster a sense of community and encourage our members to achieve their best. My favorite part of being a chapter officer was being able to provide guidance and feedback to members to help refine their skills and build their confidence.

Holding an officer position means that other members have looked upon me for knowledge and guidance. I became a role model for many younger members and saw the impact that I had on them. I knew must set the best example for them as a chapter leader by carrying out my duties and being a person of character. I have also had many opportunities to speak to potential future members and assisted with recruitment for our chapter. Being a chapter officer has put me in a position of influence and it has taught me to be very humble and accepting of everyone no matter the circumstance or situation.

Being in a leadership position, I was able to acknowledge my strengths and weaknesses. I also learned how to better adapt and overcome challenges that were presented. This chapter officer position made me who I am today - a leader. I have learned what it means to be part of a true team and how to set a good example to members who look up to me. I have also learned how to overcome challenges and address conflict in a constructive and professional way. I trust that my chapter officer experiences can allow me to further grow and develop as a leader.

### If elected, how would you positively influence the Kansas FFA Association?

My ability to make genuine, personal connections with others and communicate effectively will leave a lasting impact on the Kansas FFA Association. As a leader in my own FFA chapter, I have truly enjoyed getting to know other members and learn about them. As a chapter officer, I have been able to help members develop their Supervised Agricultural Experiences, prepare for Career Development Events and participate in local FFA activities. If elected as a Kansas FFA State Officer, I want to meet as many members as possible. I look forward to getting to know members and helping them achieve their goals.

If I were elected, I have a few areas of focus. First, I will prioritize expanding opportunities for FFA members to engage in leadership development activities such as workshops and conferences. These experiences can help students develop important skills that will benefit them in their future careers.

Second, I will advocate for increased funding and resources for agricultural education programs. By investing in these programs, we can ensure that students have access to high quality education and hands-on learning experiences that will prepare them for success in the agriculture industry.

Additionally, I will work to strengthen partnerships between the Kansas FFA Association and local businesses, farms and agricultural organizations. These partnerships can provide students with valuable networking opportunities, internships and scholarships, further enhancing their educational and career prospects.

Lastly, I will strive to promote diversity and inclusion within the Kansas FFA Association. Agriculture is a diverse field and it is important that all students feel welcome and supported in pursuing their interests and goals within the industry.

By focusing on these areas, I believe I can make a positive impact on the Kansas FFA Association and empower students to become future leaders in agriculture. 2500 character limit

### Signature of State Officer Candidate

Use your mouse or finger to draw your signature above