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Welcome to Lamar's 56th Annual Agriculture & Culinary Arts Show & Auction

The Lamar FFA Chapter Members, Officers, Advisors, and the Lamar Booster Club would like to welcome all of our buyers, alumni, and guests. Your support allows us to continue this wonderful tradition and has gotten us to our 56th Annual Show & Auction.

We want to extend a special thanks to those of you who are returning to our Annual Auction; your continued support is deeply appreciated. To all of the past FFA Officers and Alumni, we welcome you back to the Lamar campus. We look forward to seeing you in the years to come. To those of you who are new to this program and event, welcome to the oldest FFA Chapter and Show in the city of Houston. Take some time to visit our Silent Auction, animal projects, horticulture projects, and the fine FFA students of Mirabeau B. Lamar High School. Returning this year are the Creative Arts Show, Culinary Arts Show, and BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off. We invite you to savor an outstanding lunch and register your bidder number at the buyer's sign-in table. Enjoy the live auction of the student projects, get your bidder numbers ready, and be prepared for a unique experience!

Thank you,
Lamar FFA



**THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING
LAMAR FFA's 56th ANNUAL
LIVESTOCK AND HORTICULTURE SHOW's
LUNCH AND AUCTION**



The Lamar High School Chapter of FFA is a not-for-profit organization affiliated with the State of Texas and National FFA programs. Students taking part in the Livestock and Horticulture Show do so as a project of the Agricultural Science and Horticulture classes offered at Lamar High School. This year, students are raising a variety of animals including steers, heifers, swine, goats, sheep, broilers, and rabbits. As part of their class projects, students learn to care for, feed and groom their animals for competitive shows. Horticulture students have developed a variety of projects that include mixed planters, Bonsai's, epiphytes, plants from seed, plants from root cuttings and grafts and floral arrangements. Ms. Infante, Ms. Krause, Ms. Wittie are the Lamar High School Agricultural Science Instructors and FFA Advisors.

2016 Show & Auction Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 21, 2016

Creative & Culinary Arts Check-In	3:45-5:00 PM
Creative & Culinary Arts Show Judging	5:00 PM

Friday, April 22, 2016

Horticulture and Livestock Show Check-In	3:45-5:00 PM
Horticulture and Livestock Show Begins	6:00 PM

Show Order:

Floriculture/Horticulture Show

Rabbit Show

Chicken Show

Goat Show

Lamb Show

Pig Show

Heifer Show

Steer Show

BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off Begins	8:00 PM
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Saturday, April 23, 2016

BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off Ends	10:00 AM
BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off Judging, Buyer's Luncheon & Silent Auction Opens	11:00 AM
Live Auction Begins	12:00 PM
Silent Auction Closes	1:30 PM

2016 Show Officials

Show Ring Officials

- Elisa Infante
- Kaylin Krause
- Brynn Wittie

Auctioneer

- Ken Shortreed- Attorney at Law & Mediator

Show Judges

- Livestock: Ryan Cummins
 - Rabbits- Robert Lawrence
- Horticulture: Nicole Brown- Klein Collins HS AST
- Culinary Arts- Ryan Young
- Creative Arts- Shelby Wittie
- BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off:
 - E. I. Thomas- Owner of Edloe Cafe
 - Robert Cromie- Owner of Picnic Restaurant
 - Leo Born- “Blown Smoke” Cook-Off Team Leader
 - HLSR Cook-Off Winning Team
 - Bren Riley- West U Rotary
 - “Mystery Judge”

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1. Donate the animal(s) back for resale to support the Lamar FFA.
2. Donate the animal(s) to the charity of your choice. It is the responsibility of the buyer to arrange for processing and delivery.
3. Donate the animal(s) to a local food shelter. The following shelters are accepting donations of animals

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Please note that animals must be removed from the tent and school grounds on the day of the auction.

In the event that you choose to have the animal(s) processed, please note the following:

- Rabbits will be processed at the student's expense and will be delivered to you at your convenience.
- All other animals will be processed at your expense. Animals will be picked up after the auction for processing by the company of your choice. Please see the company representatives here today to make appropriate arrangements.
- Contact the meat processor to place packaging instructions and arrange pick-up of the processed meat.

All check payments are to be made payable to: Lamar High School (FFA)

Unless prior arrangements have been made, payment is expected the day of the auction.



THE FFA CREED

I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds—achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so—for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

The creed was written by E.M. Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. It was revised at the 38th Convention and the 63rd Convention.

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2015

Mirabeau B. Lamar FFA

Show and Auction Winners

Sweetheart & Beau - Allison Fernbach & Luke Nisley

Grand Champions

Swine	-	Jurdia Roman
Lamb	-	Tariq Ibrahim
Goat	-	Izzy Purdie
Broiler	-	Audrey Sommer
Rabbit	-	Andrea van Ravenswaay
Floriculture Project	-	Alex van Ravenswaay
Horticulture Project	-	Luke Nisley
Culinary Arts Project	-	Iman Andrews

Reserve Champions

Swine	-	Joshua Murphy
Lamb	-	Taylor Thibodaux
Goat	-	Emma Brasher
Broiler	-	Olivia Garcia
Rabbit	-	Kirstyn Shillings
Floriculture Project	-	Olivia Dean
Horticulture Project	-	Chelsea Lee
Creative Arts Project	-	Zachary Smith
Culinary Arts Project	-	Rebecca Dean



Welcome to the 56th Annual Agriculture and Culinary Arts Show!

We are so thrilled to have you here to share this amazing, unique experience with our students! The Agriculture Department and the Lamar FFA sincerely thank you for your continuous support and interest in our program. We are proud to be the host of the oldest FFA Chapter and Livestock Show and Auction in Houston ISD.

Lamar students and active FFA members have been preparing for this moment all year long. Their hard work and effort have brought them this far. This year, the members have participated in various Leadership Development Events, Career Development Events, and have had various animal projects taken to major rodeos such as the Fort Worth, San Antonio, Austin, and Houston Livestock Shows. Students have been raising cattle, lambs, goats, pigs, rabbits, chickens, and horticulture projects. These events and projects have given our students the opportunities to exhibit their effort and determination. We have had one of the most successful group of FFA members and they continue to surprise us daily. It is with our utmost pride that we present you with our amazing students.

All of this would not be possible without the help of parents, volunteers, administrators, and Lamar staff. We would like to thank you all for everything you have done for this program and the opportunities you have provided our members with. As advisors, we are so blessed to be a part of such a great community of students, parents, administrators, and supporters of the Lamar FFA.

We hope the best to all of our students and wish our graduating seniors the best of luck in their future endeavors!

Sincerely,

The Lamar FFA Advisors

2015-2016 Student Biographies

Alfred Rodriguez- Alfred is a sophomore in his first year in FFA. He is exhibiting a swine barrow project. He plays football for Lamar and also likes to cook and draw in his spare time.

Alisa Dong- Alisa is a sophomore in her first year in FFA. She is raising broiler chickens this year. She plans on majoring in Forensic psychology in College! She was in wrestling for a semester but decided the FFA and Agriculture classes suited her best. She was in National American Miss in 8th grade and was a state finalist and won "First runner up of Best Thank You Letter."

Allanah Williams- Allanah is currently attending her sophomore year at Mirabeau Lamar High School. Determined at an early age her love of law enforcement she took it into her own hands to begin her journey. At fifteen years old, the LET 2 has participated in many teams in the JROTC program ranging from, Color Guard, Drill Team, Saber Guard and volunteering as a performance hall usher and has proudly marched in the Veterans Parade. Allanah is a second year Lamar FFA student. And was given the opportunity to raise a Duroc named Nylon on November 8th, 2015. "Throughout the months that I have raised Nylon I have grown an irreplaceable bond with her and have enjoyed every second of this process."

Alex Van Ravenswaay- Alex is a senior in her fourth year of FFA. She is completing a floral design, her goat project, Hank and photography. Alex participated in various jackpot and progress shows this year plus competed in the Houston and Fort Worth rodeos. She enjoys babysitting, volunteering, at her church and is currently working towards her Lone Star Degree and Girl Scout Gold Award. She will be attending Texas Tech in the fall majoring in Ag Business.

Angel Gomez- Angel is a junior and this is his first year in FFA. He is raising 12 chickens and they are his first animal project ever. Outside of school he likes to watch movies and care for his animals.

Angelina Leal- Angelina is a freshman at LHS but this is her second year in a FFA program. Last year she raised a goat named Gibby and won grand champion in another chapter. Besides FFA, she is also involved in cheerleading, young life, and lacrosse.

Brianna Allen-Martin- Brianna is a sophomore, this is her first year in FFA and she is currently raising rabbits. She has been living and breathing animals (and everything that has to deal with them) since birth. She loves anything that has to deal with animals. Her favorite animal is a penguin but if she's dealing with livestock, she loves horses.

Cam Moseley- Cam is a freshman, this year is his first year in FFA and he is currently raising a lamb. Cam loves and enjoys being in FFA because of the people and the outdoors. FFA has opened his eyes to new opportunities.

Chelsea Lee- Chelsea is a junior and is in her third year of FFA and is raising Rabbits and a horticulture project. She is a student athlete and enjoys hopping on the weekends. She is a helpful FFA member and is in several different clubs throughout Lamar.

Devin graham- Devin is a freshman and in his first year of FFA. He's had several animals in the past years and has taken really good care of them.

Emily Peralta- Emily is a freshman in her first year of FFA; she's an energetic and friendly person. This year she decided to raise a gilt whose name is "honey" and is also raising 13 chickens. She's learned so much to raising her pig and chickens, within this year she has won awards for her gilt at the Bellaire progress show. She believes that "when you lend a hand to a child that is willing to learn and explore new things, you're opening a world of opportunity and hope to them".

Faith Thurman- Faith is junior in her third year of FFA; she is currently raising a lamb named "Oswald" and is a part of the Vet Tech Team. In her past years she's raised rabbits and won reserved champion in one of those occasions. She is involved in a church youth group and just completed a mission trip to Detroit as a part of ELCA. She is in the process of working towards her CVA (Certified Veterinary Assistant). This experience in FFA is helping her in her journey of becoming a large animal vet.

Hannah DeGeurin- Hannah is a sophomore in her first year of FFA; she hasn't raise any projects but has two cats and a puppy and has always loved animals. She was excited to begin FFA this year and is excited for the next year to come.

Hannah Stephens- Hannah is a freshman in her first year of FFA and is the Vice-President of the green hand officers. She is raising a gilt name "Mae Mobley" and a pen of chickens and rabbits as well.

Ja'kaylyn Ruffin- Ja'kaylyn is a freshman in her first year of FFA and is raising two rabbits. She plans to be in FFA throughout high school.

Jalil Rogers- Jalil is a freshman in his first year of FFA. He likes to run track and is raising a pen of chickens. He thought it would be an easy job to raise chickens but realized it was tougher than expected but he still enjoyed it, and is excited for the coming years of FFA as well.

Jemea Guy- Jemea is 16 years old and a sophomore at Lamar High School. This is her second year in FFA and first year raising an animal. This year she is raising a lamb. During the rodeo season, she participated in the calf scramble. For the 2014-2015 school year, she was a JV cheerleader. She also won the grand champion at the Bellaire Progress Show with my breeding lamb.

Jessica Myers- Jessica is a sophomore and is in her first year of FFA, she had the opportunity to raise a goat this year whose name is "Lorenzo". She has spent several hours bonding with her goat and watched him grown from a baby to a well-trained adult, in the meantime making new friends and learning the stances one day at a time.

Jonathan Amaya- Jonathan is a sophomore in his second year of FFA, This year he is raising a lamb, a goat, 11 laying hens, 48 broilers, and honey bees. He is also in the LHS Marching Band, NHS, NSHSS, a delegate and representative for Lamar/the City of Houston/State of Texas for the National Congress of the Scientists and Technologists, Torch & Laurel, and HISD EMERGE. He placed 3rd last year with his goat, Lucky. He also won Grand Champion for the Lamar 1st Annual Brisket Contest. He also caught a calf at San Antonio, Houston, and Austin Livestock Show and Rodeo to purchase a Santa Gertrudis Heifer to show at all major rodeos. He plans to run for District Officer this year.

Jonathan Massey- Jonathan is a freshman in his first year of FFA. He is currently raising 2 rabbits. Outside of FFA, Jonathan plays football and hopes to someday become a professional football player. He also aspires to become a veterinarian.

Joshua Wells- Joshua is a junior and is participating in the FFA for his first time this year. Joshua is not raising any animals, but is very active in other FFA events and teams. He was born and raised in the south, loves to hunt and fish and is very active in the Baptist church.

Kaitlyn Adams- Kaitlyn is a freshman and in her first year in FFA. She is raising a succulent garden for her SAE Project and Horticulture Project. She enjoys dancing, acting, and other forms of fine arts. She also enjoys exercising and staying healthy. Joining the FFA this year was a huge surprise for her but she mentioned that it has been one of the best experiences she has had. She looks forward to the next 3 years in the program.

Kamryn Ware- Kamryn is a freshman and in her first year in FFA. She considers herself a bubbly spirit. Once she starts something, she is on a mission to finish it. She placed 6th place in Junior Creed Speaking and has won many awards based on her writing. She has even won free tickets to concerts for writing and even got her story published in a book.

Karina Rodriguez- Karina is a sophomore and this is her first year in FFA. Throughout the year she raised a goat named Jim. Karina also played on the Lamar Women's Varsity Soccer team this year. She plans to continue with FFA for the remainder of her time in high school; and hopes to be an Officer in the years to come. Next year she is looking to raise a pig and lamb for the Lamar Show. She is also looking to go to an agriculture-based college to go into the Large Animal Veterinarian industry.

Kathleen "Kat" Young – Kat is a senior in her fourth year in FFA and is serving as the chapter's President. Last year she served as the Parliamentarian. In her sophomore year she was the chapter Historian. She has performed in theater, and until this year played on Lamar's soccer team as the goalkeeper. In the past she has raised rabbits and gilt for FFA. She caught in the calf scramble at both the Houston and Ft. Worth rodeos and used the money to obtain the cow calf pair she is currently raising. She is also raising a steer. She will be attending Tarleton State University and will become an Ag teacher.

Kirstyn Shillings- Kirstyn is a senior and in her third year in FFA. She raised rabbits for her first two years. Now she is raising rabbits and a pig named "Peaches." She loves working and being with animals. Her sophomore year she won 8th place on single fryer

rabbits and reserved champion for rabbits her junior year. She also loves playing volleyball. She plans on attending Blinn College in Brenham, TX for two years then transferring to Louisiana State University. She hopes to become an Equine Veterinarian because she absolutely LOVES horses.

Lauren Mack- Lauren is a freshman and this is her first year in FFA. Lauren is currently raising a pig. She is 15 years old and likes to partake in sports, specifically volleyball. She plans to stay in FFA for the next three years.

Marco Salazar- Marco Salazar is a junior at Lamar high school and is in his 5th year in FFA. He is currently raising a breeding gilt and a Cow-Calf pair. He is also a part of the Lamar JROTC and plans to attend Tarleton State University and major in Agricultural Education.

Mylan Gonzales- Mylan is a freshman and this is her first year in FFA. She raised a goat project and is currently raising two rabbits. Outside of FFA, she has raised animals, both domestic and ranch animals throughout her life. She has played softball since she was 9 years old and volleyball since she was 12. She has also been in dance since she was 12. She became interested in FFA when she realized there were animals involved.

Perla Zarate- Perla is a freshman and this is her first year in FFA. She enjoys playing soccer in her spare time. Her favorite color is pink.

Rosanna Parra- Rosanna is 18 years old, a senior at Lamar and has been in FFA for 3 years. This year, she is currently raising a pig project named "Frankie." She will be attending BYU-Idaho in the fall. She plans to become a vet. She will be majoring in animal science but will be concentrating in pre-vet. She has raised 4 animal projects such as pigs, lambs and goats.

Shadai Noons- Shadai is a freshman and she is in her first year in FFA. She is 15 years old and loves animals. She is currently raising rabbits. She also loves to swim and enjoys the outdoors.

Tariq Ibrahim- Tariq is a senior, a fourth-year member and current vice president of the Lamar FFA chapter. He raised chickens freshman year, lambs during his sophomore and junior years and is currently raising a steer, chickens and a lamb. Tariq participated in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble program this past year and showed his steer at the rodeo in March. Tariq is looking forward to a career in Animal Science and will be attending Texas Tech University next year.

Tarna Parra- Tarna Parra is a fifth grader who is a member of our Junior FFA. She is 10 years old. She is currently raising 3 rabbits named "Fat Albert", "Joey" and "Cotton ball." She plans on raising a goat next year.

2016 FFA Officers



Kat Young - President



Tariq Ibrahim - Vice President



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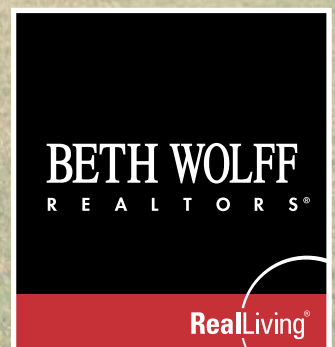
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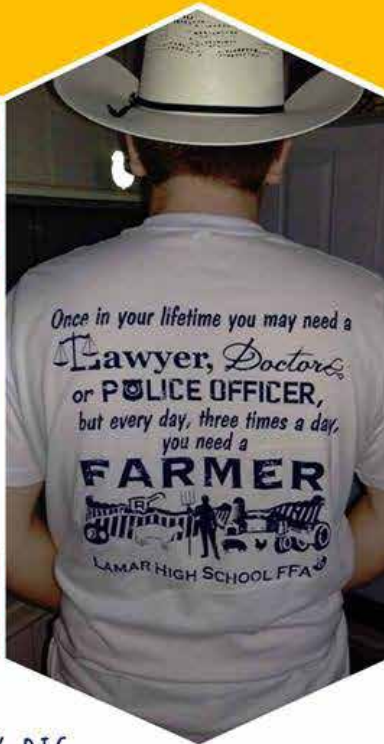


Marco, we are very proud of you and your accomplishments. You have done amazing things in FFA, good luck in everything you do.

*We love you very much,
Mom, Dad, and Paola.*



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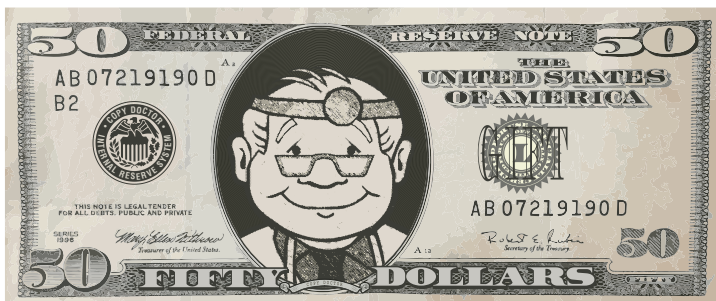
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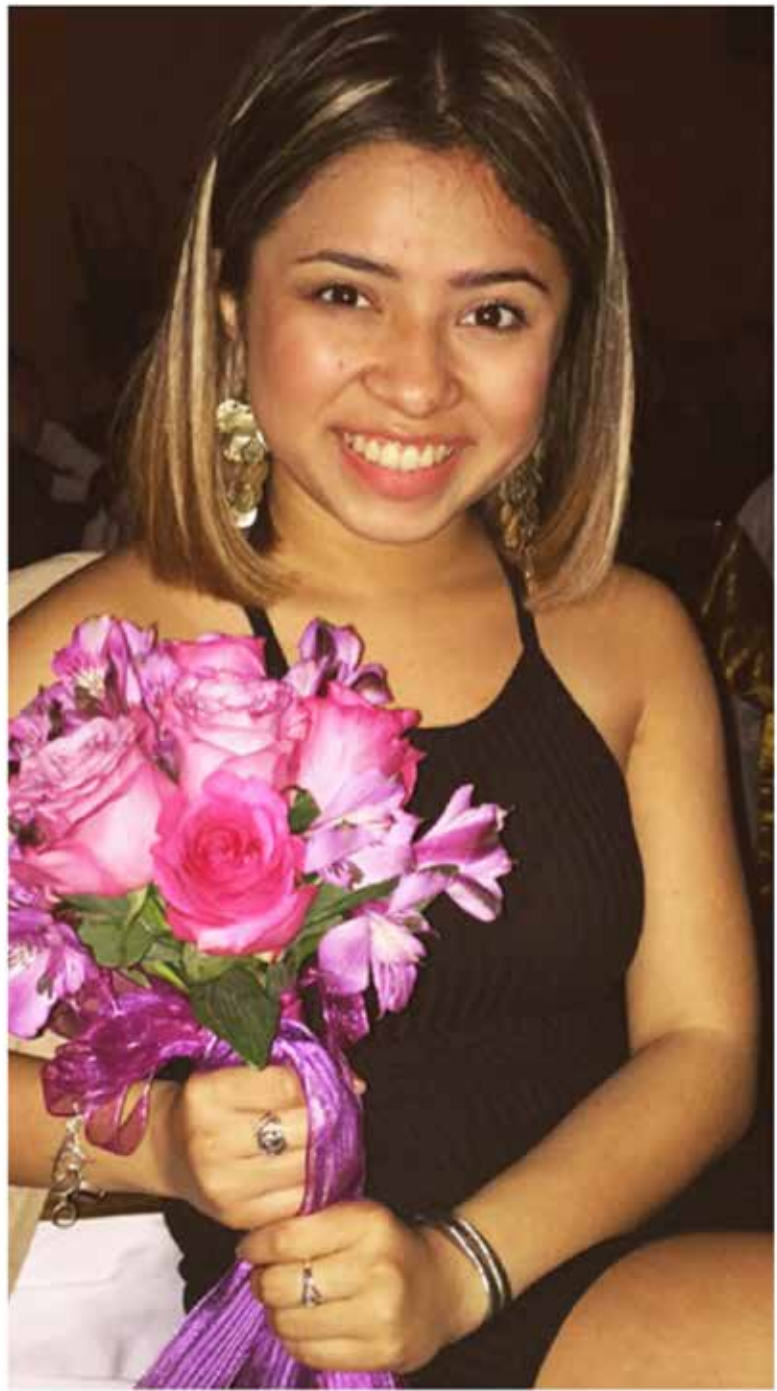
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Iman Andrews



Iman Andrews is 18 year old senior who attends M. B. Lamar High School. This year Iman will do a Floral Design Project for her FFA project and will be entering in the culinary arts contest. She is a Lamar Varsity Cheerleader, a member of the Lamar student Council and a third year member in the Lamar FFA. Her hobbies are cooking, singing and dancing. She wants to go to school to become a culinary chef. She loves her family, friends and mostly God.





**Congrats
Michael
Schmitt!**



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Alfi Joseph

Alfi Joseph a 12th grader, joined the Lamar community during her sophomore year. Though joining in a little late, it hasn't stopped her from accompanying various clubs while taking on the course load from her IB classes. She has been in FFA for 2 years and has raised rabbits as well as goats. During her free time she has taken part of internships in the medical field. She plans to attend University of Texas at Dallas this fall, and major in biology in hopes of having a career in medicine and possibly helping those in need. Alfi also loves learning about other cultures from her own to others that are across the world. While in college she hopes to create an environment where others can express their culture and hopefully share the diversity with students who aren't so aware. Though she is graduating this year, she does anticipate to continue taking part of FFA at a college level and further.



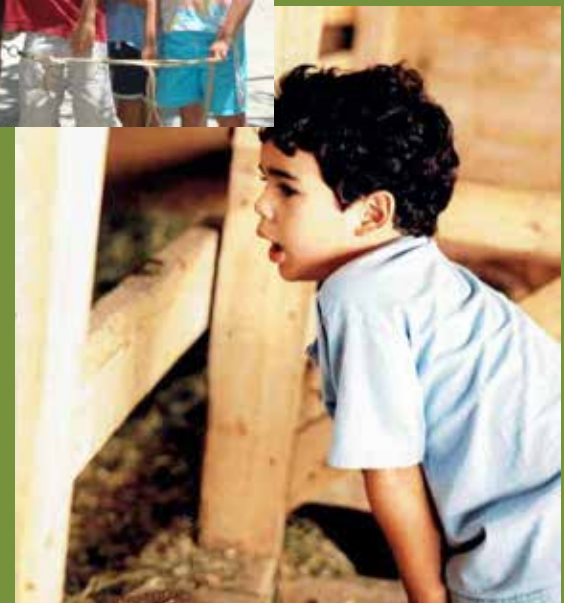
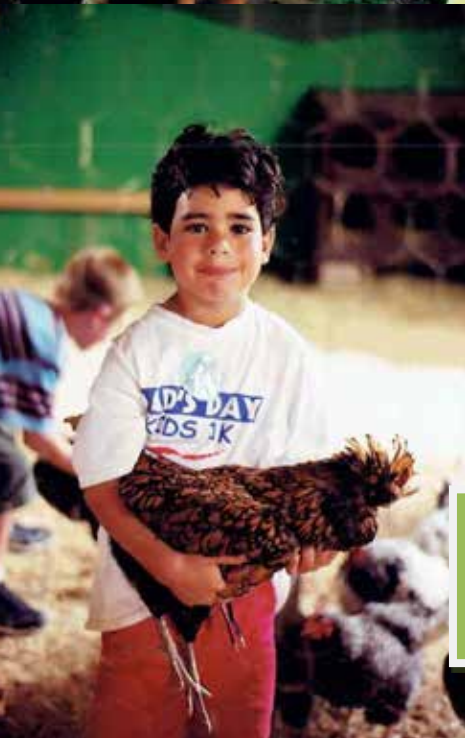


Joshua Murphy, senior 2016

Joshua Murphy, what can I say a country boy at heart born in the city. My how time flies seems like yesterday Joshua was just starting school. Now he's all grown up into a young respectable man. Joshua has joined several clubs over the years. His biggest accomplishment was while in the FFA organization. This is where he discovered his talent through hands-on experience. His first sophomore year he raised rabbits and was successful. His junior year he decided to take it a little farther and raise a Duroc pig in which he placed first in his school competition. Joshua also had the opportunity to compete in the Junior Breeding Gilt competition at Houston Livestock show and Rodeo. This event helped Joshua gain confidence and helped him realize that when you work hard it pays off in the end.

Joshua plans include but not limited to furthering his education at Houston Community College to study Welding and Diesel Mechanic. Joshua passion includes owning his own trucking company one day. Joshua own a horse named Kristina and enjoys riding her in trail rides. Joshua also loves spending time with his three nieces, Andrea, Andriana and Alyssia in which sometimes they get along and sometimes they don't. Congratulations Joshua Murphy on your graduation and MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU.

- LOVE YOUR MOM



Congratulations
Tariq!!!

**“One can get in a car and see
what man has made.**

**One must get on a horse to see
what God has made.”**



CLASS OF 2016!!





❧ Zoe Jack ❧



Class of 2016



Rosanna Parra





We are so proud of you and your
hard work Alex!
All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Andie





Congratulations Kat, We are so proud of all you and all your accomplishments. Looking forward to seeing what you can accomplish at Tarelton State. We love you and may all your dreams come true. Remember, no matter where you are you will always be my FFB.

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