



June 7-11, 2023  
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35th District Agricultural Association



## FFA Ag Mechanical Science

From woodwork and welding to creative sculptures, come discover the incredible talents of Merced County FFA students!

### Future Farmers of America (FFA)

***Members' skills will once again be on display in Half Dome Hall!***

That's right. Stop by the Half Dome Hall to see the hard work of the FFA students from Merced County High Schools and Chowchilla High School who are actively learning what it takes to develop, maintain and refurbish equipment for specialized farm, ranch and agribusinesses. Larger projects will be on display just south of the Outdoor Theatre!

### This year's divisions include:

- **Small Equipment Constructed**
  - **Classes:**
    - Cold Metal
    - Electrical
    - Rope work
    - Sheet Metal
    - Welding and Forging
    - Woodwork
    - Combination
- **Medium Equipment Constructed**
  - **Classes:**
    - Sheet Metal
    - Welding
    - Wood Work
    - Combination
- **Large Equipment Constructed**
  - **Classes:**
    - Type I (Construction costs between \$50 - \$150)
    - Type II (Construction costs between \$150 - \$750)
    - Type III (Construction costs over \$750)
- **FFA (Individual and Chapter) Restoration Projects**

**Special Awards category winners will a special plaque a silver buckle; those categories include:**

- Outstanding Welding Exhibit
- Outstanding Woodworking Exhibit
- Most Innovative/Original Exhibit
- Outstanding Exhibit

Then a FFA Chapter Sweepstakes Award is given to the FFA Chapter with the highest amount of premium money. A FFA Chapter Group Award will go to the FFA Chapter with best five projects entered as a group.



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### **NEW Ag Mechanics Auction & Sales Program**

An auction will be held, exclusively for those exhibits who earn a first place (Danish System) ribbon. Exhibitor interested in participating in the Ag Mechanics Auction must enter their project into this division and then must establish a reasonable starting bid based on the value of their project. Judges will select eight projects to be sold at the auction on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> in the Hilmar Cheese Barn.

*"We are predominately an Ag community. We rely heavily on these future professionals who learn the tasks of the agribusiness trade. To see the hard work, pride and dedication of these kids is nothing short of inspiring. For anyone visiting the Fair, you must stop into the Agricultural Mechanics building and see for yourselves the talent of these young community members."*

**- Adam Davis, Agricultural Mechanics Superintendent**