



RESEARCH FARM TOUR - Members of the Vienna FFA Chapter who attended the Wurdack Research Farm Tour include Nick Davis, (front left), Tyler Johnson, Kyle Johnson, John Rollins, Breana Rose, Joe Prewett, Ashley Juergens, Advisor Alan Freeman, (middle left), Crissy Harris, Becky Hood, Heather Smith, Steven Campbell, Michelle Lanning, Cory Alexander, Jarred Dunn, Matt Clark, Arthur Thompson, John Green, (back left), Thomas McDonald, Kyle Miller, Dustin Evans, Brandon Shanks, Emily Williams, Justin Helton, Sam Hagan, Casey Finn, Sarah Stokes, Michelle Otto, Tiffany Hunter, Katie Howard, Bryon Helton, Zach Honse, Bradly Robbins, David Hutchison, Branden Roark, Darren Davis, Danielle Humphrey, Brandi Fawcett, Chris Shanks and Katie Green.

Vienna FFA chapter visits Wurdack Research Farm

The Vienna FFA Chapter went to Cook Station and visited Wurdack Research Farm on Oct. 4.

At Wurdack, there were different stations to visit, including an electric cooperative representative, training sheep dogs, and a Steelville paramedic was there to show and tell us a little of what a paramedic's job is and how to handle certain accidents.

There was also a fistulated cow that had a surgical hole in her side that anyone who wanted to could put their hand inside the cow and see what it felt like. Some thought it was cool, but some thought it was disgusting.

We ate lunch that was provided, then went down the road to another station that included preg checking cows and learning what to look for when judging cows.

We also watched as Sgt. Skip DeSalme demonstrated what happens when a vehicle rolls. It was sad to see what could happen to you or someone you love. Some FFA members put

on a pair of goggles that represented 0.08 alcohol content in the blood. With the goggles on, the person who was wearing them was told to try and walk a straight line. It was very difficult. Our advisor, Mr. Freeman, put the goggles on but did not do so well at walking a straight line. That was funny. Everyone enjoyed laughing at each other as they tried to walk the line.

One station described the uses for computers on the farm and how they help everyone on the farm as well as off the farm. Technology is a big part in today - not just for us, but for farmers as well.

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Overall we had a really nice trip and everyone learned a lot of information that could help us in the future. Everyone had fun, and it is a great experience I would recommend to everyone.

Special thanks to our bus driver, Bill Parker, for always willing to drive the bus for our FFA trips.

