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**CROWDER COLLEGE TO HOST 47<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AGGIE DAY**

**NEOSHO, MO** - Crowder College's 47<sup>th</sup> Aggie Day will be hosted on March 31, 2016 at the Neosho campus. This year, 80 high schools have registered over 2,000 high school FFA students for the day. The students will compete in fourteen different contests, ranging from Livestock Evaluation to Horticulture to Poultry Evaluation. Being one of the biggest agricultural competitions in the four-state area, Aggie Day attracts students from all corners of Missouri as well as students from Oklahoma, Kansas and Arkansas.

Annually, the Agriculture Division names Outstanding Alumni and Honorary Aggie Club member. This year's Outstanding Alumni are: Jennifer Thogmartin, Neosho R5 Agriculture Teacher and Richard Roller, retired Agriculture Teacher from Seneca and is currently employed Seitz, FFA Fundraising program. Honorary Aggie Club members are: Chris Bandy, Spring River Pulling Association; and Joplin Regional Stockyards, for their support of the annual calf auction fundraiser.

Aggie Day is a benchmark for the high school FFA students preparing for competitions at the District and State Level. For many teams, it gauges how well they are doing compared to their competition.

The high scoring senior in each contest is awarded a \$600 merit scholarship to be used if they choose to attend Crowder.

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