

Elizabeth Ours is from Maysville, West Virginia. She is a senior at Petersburg High School and is the daughter of Jerry and Melanie Ours. Upon entering the FFA classroom for the first time, Elizabeth immediately felt as though she had found a place in which she belonged. The National FFA Organization has helped her to gain confidence and become a better leader in her community.

In 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Elizabeth competed in the Agriscience competition. As a freshman, she was able to travel to Morgantown and compete in the Livestock Evaluation CDE and she placed first in the Regional Freshman Creed contest. Throughout her time in FFA, she has competed in prepared public speaking and land judging. Elizabeth has received several awards including the Star Greenhand and Star Chapter Farmer. She placed bronze in the National Proficiency for Fruit Production. Throughout her time in the Petersburg FFA Chapter, she has served as chapter Sentinel and President. In 2018, she received her State FFA Degree.

Outside of FFA, Elizabeth is a member of the National Honor Society. She teaches Sunday School for young children. She also attends the South Branch Career and Technical Center for the welding program. Elizabeth enjoys the outdoors, hunting, fishing, and spending time with her family.

Throughout her year as the 2018-2019 Eastern Region Vice President, Elizabeth hopes to be a role model for younger FFA members across the state, and to help others find their passion in agriculture.