

**West Central FFA Awarded \$1000 in Grants  
from Prairie Lakes Coop for Laptop**



Photo: West Central Area FFA members receiving the first of two grants awarded to their chapter totaling \$1000.

**Monday, March 08, 2010– Hoffman, Minn.** – Members of the West Central FFA Chapter will soon be keeping their FFA records and files on their very own laptop computer.

Prairie Lakes Coop selected West Central Area's FFA Chapter to receive two grants totaling \$1000 (\$250 and a \$750 grant) towards the members' objective of purchasing a laptop for the FFA Chapter.

Applying schools and local community organizations have to indicate their plans for the grant money, supply general information about the schools/organizations, project, and purpose of the request, along with specific financial needs and projected outcomes. Applications can be found online at [www.prairielakescoop.com](http://www.prairielakescoop.com).

Chapter members stated in their application, “We would like to request money to buy a laptop for our FFA Chapter. This laptop would help us keep our FFA records and files on one computer. It will help to keep our officers organized. Our secretary will be able to keep all her notes from meetings on this. Since our Vice President oversees all the committees, this will help him keep track of all the committees and how they are doing”

West Central Area FFA members are Cole Amundson, Shaylee Anderson, Andrew Aslesen, B. Robby, Vessa Bumgardener, Robin Cleveland, Chris Drews, David Ehlers, Megan Endreson, Carly Gaytan, Tahni Gaytan, Kelley Haberer, Tyler Hall, Megan Keep, Kent Kjsebo, Heidi Mann, Brian Oachs, Gage Odegaard, Kayleigh Odegaard, John Olhoft, Ashlyn Olson, Sierra Olson, Brandon Quick, Daniel Rauchbauer, Nathan Richards, Sam Richards, Bradley Westrom, and Savanna Westrom.

“All current and future members of the WCA FFA chapter will benefit from having technology. A strong and active FFA Chapter is one that helps students learn and apply skills inside and outside the classroom. Supporting that goal leads to future leaders.”

Prairie Lakes Coop awarded \$1000 in grants to the West Central FFA Chapter on behalf of its local member owners. Prairie Lakes Coop ([prairielakescoop.com](http://prairielakescoop.com)), a CHS Service Center, provides products and services in the agronomy, energy, and grain markets to meet the needs of its patrons. Prairie Lakes Coop has locations in the communities of Cyrus, Hoffman, Elrosa, Lowry, Long Prairie, Park Rapids, Glenwood and Starbuck creating relationships with customers in agronomy inputs, propane, fuel, and grain marketing.