

Kyatalin Baker
Vevay, Indiana
Switzerland County FFA
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Kyatalin Baker, 18, is currently serving as the 2024-2025 Indiana FFA State Treasurer. Kyatalin is thrilled for the opportunity to serve the over 14,000 members of the Indiana FFA Association. Kyatalin is the daughter of Deron and Marlene Baker.

Throughout her four years of active membership in the National FFA Organization, Kyatalin has served in numerous leadership positions on the Chapter, District, and State level. On the Chapter level, Kyatalin has served as the Switzerland County FFA Reporter as well as President. She has also been awarded the leadership award during her Sophomore and Junior year of high school through Switzerland County FFA. Kyatalin has served as the chair for the Queen of Hearts Pageant and the Chapter Banquet committees. On the District level, Kyatalin has served as the 2023-2024 District XII Reporter. Throughout her involvement at the State level, Kyatalin has attended Premier Leadership Training, FIRE, and SOAR conferences. These conferences have allowed her to serve as a counselor and mentor to younger FFA members. Kyatalin has also had the opportunity to experience the Indiana State Fair workdays and set-up days in the FFA Pavilion. At the National level, Kyatalin has been fortunate to attend the National Convention for four years.

Kyatalin has been involved in many Career Development Events, including Livestock Skillathon where she and her team advanced to state. Kyatalin has also competed in Parliamentary Procedure, Animal Science Demonstration, and the Agricultural Issues Forum at the State level. At the District level, Kyatalin placed 1st in the Animal Science Demonstration, 2nd in the Premier Leadership contest, and 2nd in the Persuasive Essay contest.

Kyatalin's Supervised Agricultural Experience is Diversified Agriculture Placement. She works on her family farm consisting of 100 Katahdin ewes and 6 registered mares. Her responsibilities include feeding the horses and ewes, working in hay, cleaning pens, and properly breaking them for show. She has learned how to train, vaccinate, and groom the young foals and ewes. She spends her summers working for her dad in the hay field for harvest. Kyatalin has spent countless hours helping out on her family farm in order to claim livestock of her own.

Kyatalin has been extremely active within her school and community. Within her school, Kyatalin has been the President of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), a member of the Pep Club, Business Professionals of America (BPA), and National Honor Society. Kyatalin was the Chapter Reporter for 2 years and is currently serving as President in FFA. Athletically, Kyatalin was the Co Captain of the Varsity Volleyball team and earned the Top Serving award. In dance, Kyatalin has choreographed for younger students and led classes. Within her community, Kyatalin volunteers her time with the local 4-H program where she will be a ten-year member. She is also serving as a board member for the Historic Hoosier Theater Board and Switzerland County Farm Bureau.

Kyatalin was ranked 11th out of 90 students in her class. She graduated with an Academic Honors Diploma from Switzerland County High School and an Associates Degree in General Studies from Ivy Tech Community College. Kyatalin plans to attend Purdue University and major in Agriculture Education with the hope to one day become an agricultural educator and FFA advisor in the great state of Indiana.