

**[NORTH CAROLINA
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Chapter Spotlight

Spring Creek FFA Alumni

This month's alumni feature is on the Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter in Seven Springs, North Carolina. The Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter began in 2005 to support the Spring Creek FFA Chapter in Wayne County. Currently, the chapter features 20 members who focus on fundraising efforts for the high school and middle school programs. Fundraisers are a significant goal of the alumni. The alumni have already hosted a Cow Patty Bingo fundraiser this academic year that raised money for students attending the 2025 National FFA Convention. The Pork Chop Plate Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 12. For the Pork Chop plates, the Spring Creek Alumni chapter partners with the Indian Springs Volunteer Fire Department to get the plates prepared and sold to the community.

All money raised by the Spring Creek Alumni Chapter is spent to help the high school and middle school programs. The Alumni Chapter sponsors the main dishes for the chapter's Thanksgiving meal and the Spring Awards banquet. Also, during the spring banquet, the Alumni chapter sponsors the trophies and certificates presented to the FFA members. The Alumni chapter also helps the chapter with expenses for attending the national convention and covers travel expenses and substitute teacher pay for some of the events beyond the chapter level, as the school district will only cover five events for the teachers per year.

One of the unique aspects of the Spring Creek FFA Chapter is that the school district has a substantial Hispanic population. The last three Spring Creek FFA chapter presidents have been Hispanic, and these chapter presidents have also served as Southeast Regional FFA Officers.

The Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter is a testament to the power of community support and dedication to youth development. Through their fundraising efforts and commitment to enhancing educational opportunities, the Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter enriches the lives of high school and middle school students while celebrating the diverse heritage of their community. As they continue to foster leadership and growth among future agricultural leaders, the Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter proves that together, they can make a lasting impact in the lives of young individuals and the broader community.



Spring Creek FFA Alumni President Tony Hardy with two current Spring Creek FFA members. (left)



The current Spring Creek FFA Officer team. Supporting these chapter members and others is the sole goal of the Spring Creek FFA Alumni Chapter. (right top)

The Spring Creek FFA Alumni trailer at Indian Springs VFD preparing for the Pork Chop Plate Sale. (right bottom)



Spring Creek FFA Alumni members serving the annual Thanksgiving dinner for the FFA Chapter. The alumni provides the base of the meal for the event while members and families are invited to bring in covered dishes for sides and desserts. (left)