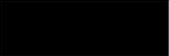


Darby Schmidt
Charles County, MO



Darby Schmidt is 18 years old and a member of the Daniel Boone 4-H club in St. Charles County, Missouri. She has been a 4-H member for 10 years and her favorite projects include meat goats, swine, livestock judging, and photography. She is currently serving as her county's Junior Leaders Club President and as an Urban Regional Representative on the Missouri State 4-H Council.

Darby is a graduate of the Missouri Agribusiness Academy, has attended National 4-H Congress, and the Missouri 4-H Legislative Academy. She has been named the Champion 4-H Individual at the Missouri Livestock Judging and Grading Contest and has received the National I Dare You Leadership Award.

She is currently a senior at Francis Howell High School and is involved in FBLA, DECA, and Student Council. Next year, she will be attending Kansas State University. She is planning on studying agribusiness with a minor in marketing. With this degree, she plans to work in marketing research or public relations. Darby is passionate about advocating for the agriculture industry through the marketing field.