





A new Future Farmers of America chapter set to open, thanks to grant from Dilworth Glyndon Felton School District and CoBank

The Dilworth Glyndon Felton School District along with CoBank, a cooperative bank serving the vital industries across rural America, recently announced a \$5,000 joint grant to assist in the startup of DGF's new Future Farmers of America chapter.

DGF school is located in the heart of the Minnesotan Red River Valley, which has some of the most productive farmland in the world. Despite its location and being one of the first school districts in the area, it has never had an FFA chapter – until now.

DGF's superintendent, Shannon Hunstad announced Kayla Lauer as the DGF FFA club advisor, which is the first step in becoming a state recognized FFA chapter. CoBank has committed an additional \$15,000 when the club becomes an official chapter.

David Kragnes, a member of the CoBank board of directors and an alumnus of DGF, is excited to assist with the creation of this FFA chapter.

"So many things have come together to make this possible – the school board is supportive, the administration is behind it, a farmer in the area, Jim Baker, has been advocating and now, we have hired Kayla, who has great FFA experience," Kragnes said. "This is a great opportunity for the community and CoBank is proud to be a part of it."

Information regarding joining FFA will be shared in the near future with all 7-12 grade students.