## **Sale Name:** Lake County Fair Jr. Livestock & Metal Fabrication Auction - CA **LOT 318 - David Van der Weken Upper Lake 4-H**



First Name David
Last Name Van der Weken
FFA Chapter or 4H Club Name Upper Lake 4-H
Validation Tag or Show reference# 318
County Lake
Animal Weight (in Pounds) 1252
Date of Reported Weight 09/04/2020
City Upper Lake

## **Description**

My name is David Van der Weken. I am almost 13 years old and I am in 7th grade at Upper Lake Middle School. I have been in 4-H for 7 years and I have raised chickens, lambs, and pigs. This was my first year raising a steer for market. This has been a very challenging project because my steer was a lot bigger than the other animals I've raised and it was a much longer project. To bond with my steer, I layed with him and we listened to music together. He used to kick when he got scared (I had many bruises) but he doesn't kick anymore and he walks nicely with me. He used to hate holding his head up but now if I scratch his stomach he will keep his head up even if I don't hold his halter! My steer only weighed 470 pounds when I got him at auction so I was a little worried that he wouldn't put on enough weight in time for fair. However, he weighs 1,225 pounds one month before fair! I am very exicted to see how he does in the show ring!

**Quantity: 1252** 



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