

The Quest For Gold!

Former Advanced Culinary Arts student, Trae Shriner (West Ada District), has been selected as one of the finalists who will represent ACF Culinary Youth Team USA in Germany at the “2016 International Culinary Olympics!”

After graduating in 2013 from Rocky Mountain High School, Trae Shriner went on to study Culinary at Oregon Coast Culinary Institute (OCCI) in Coos Bay, Oregon. While there, he became an OCCI Ambassador, excelled at his craft and made the tryout team!

Chef Hickman, Advanced Culinary Arts instructor for ADA Professional-Technical Center shares, *“Trae has been an exceptional student. He was an FCCLA Chapter Officer, and a great example of one possibility of where students can go as a result of the West Ada District’s Professional-Technical Culinary Arts Program. We are proud to send him out of high school prepared for culinary school as well as the real world.”*

Excerpt below taken from American Culinary Federation (ACF) website (9/2014)

http://www.acfchefs.org/ACF/Partnerships/Team_USA/Team_Tryouts/YouthTeamTryouts/ACF/Partnerships/Team/Tryouts/Youth/

ACF Culinary Youth Team USA Has Been Selected



Front row (left to right): Megan Bamford, Kristyn Chatlosh, Jesus Olmedo, Tracy Morris, and Lydia Ross, CC; **Back row (left to right): Trae Shriner, Josh Page, and Jordan Gardiner**

Each of the members participated in two phases of the try-out process. They each participated in a cold-food program at regional conferences. The winners from each regional conference then went on to participate in the hot-food program at the 2014 ACF National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. After several days of competitions at the 2014 ACF National Convention, in Kansas City, Missouri, the ACF Culinary Youth Team USA was named during the President's Grand Ball on July 29, 2014.

The members of 2016 ACF Culinary Youth Team USA were named during the 2014 ACF National Convention. They are:

- Megan Bamford
- Kristyn Chatlosh
- Jordan Gardiner
- Tracy Morris
- Jesus Olmedo
- Josh Page
- Lydia Ross, CC
- Trae Shriner

They will be joining ACF Culinary National Team USA at practices starting in August as they begin their quest for gold in 2016.