

hile most people would dread the thought of having to prepare more than 10,000 hamburgers for any one meal, Daniel Stanton jumps at the opportunity to be able to give back to the student organization that got him to where he is today.

Stanton grew up in Idalou, Texas, working on the family farm. His background naturally drew him to the FFA when he got into high school. For four years, his agriculture science teacher took Stanton under his wing and got him involved in different FFA activities including parliamentary procedure, livestock and meat judging competitions. These activities kept

"If you invest in the future leaders, then we have hope."

Stanton focused and on track to success as he wouldn't be able to participate if he didn't make his grades.

"I wasn't the smartest kid, or the best athlete, but I found that I could succeed in the FFA," Stanton said.

With those high school days well behind him, Stanton finds that he still uses the parliamentary procedure he learned in the board meetings he is involved with as an adult. His involvement in FFA also helped him obtain an academic scholarship through College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) at Texas Tech University. If it weren't for the scholarship, Stanton doesn't think he would have ever attended college.

Stanton knew one day he wanted to give back to the school and FFA. With the success of owning and operating 11 Fuddruckers, he knew Fuddruckers was his chance to give back and help young men and women succeed. Currently Fuddruckers gives \$20,000 a year to the Texas FFA Foundation.

"Fuddruckers is a great company run by some great individuals and an outstanding support team," Aaron Alejandro, executive director of the Texas FFA Foundation said. "I am humbled that Daniel chose the Texas

FFA and agricultural education as his place to give back and invest in opportunities for others.

Stanton's favorite part of the state FFA conventions each year is seeing the students. He can tell the freshman from the seniors and enjoys watching them achieve amazing things. Some students end up graduating and coming to Texas Tech allowing him to see them succeed



1,200 spostear