# Richard "Charlie" Bestwick

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### **Educational Experience**

Kansas State University – August 2022-Present, B.S. in Agricultural Education

Cloud County Community College – August 2021-May 2022, Associate of Arts in Education,

Concentration in Agriculture Education

Allen Community College - August 2019-May 2021, Livestock Management Certificate

### Teaching Experience

#### **Eureka High School - Agricultural Education Student Teaching**

Jan. 2024 - May 2024

• In January 2024, I will be starting my student teaching internship at Eureka High School. While at Eureka, I will be teaching Animal Science, Exploratory Ag, Agriscience, Advanced Animal Science, Ag Welding 1, and Ag Welding 2.

### **Kansas State University Summer Stem Camp**

June 2023

• During block 1, I taught 80 middle school students about concepts in STEM. I helped lead the Lego Robotics section of our stem camp for 3 weeks.

#### **Kansas Animal Science Leadership Academy**

June 2023

• While at Kansas State, I was given the opportunity to be a camp counselor at KASLA. I led students in the camp on various agriculture tours and facilitated learning at each site. I was also in charge of helping students to create a presentation on an animal science topic of their choice.

### Kansas State University – Teaching Assistant for Electrical Systems, Ag Structures Classes

Jan. 2023 – May 2023

• While at Kansas State University, I aided Dr. Ulmer and Dr. Disberger in Structures and Electricals class. I helped manage the learning environment, as well as leading labs and lecturing to the class.

### **Certifications**

- 6-12 Agriculture
- CDL Class A License
- CASE AgX
- CASE ABF
- Red Cross CPR/First aid

### Additional Work Experience

Kansas State University Dairy Plant, Manhattan, Kansas – Milk Delivery Driver, Aug. 2023 – Present

• Through my time at the Kansas State University Dary plant, I learned how to interact with people and create daily schedules and plans to stay organized through the week. I also gained knowledge on the production of dairy products and sales.

Call Hall Dairy Bar; Manhattan, Kansas - Dairy Specialist, Aug. 2022 - Present

• While working at the Call Hall Dairy Bar, I expanded my customer service and food safety skills by preparing food and scooping ice cream.

Mel-Rick Inc.; Sabetha, Kansas - Shop Hand and Semi-Driver, July 2014 - Present

• I have many duties while working for Mel-Rick Incorporated. I maintain the fleet of semitrucks and hopper trailers through regular greasing, oil changes, brake jobs, tire changes and repairs, and other tasks that need completed. I also drive for Mel-Rick, hauling grain to various elevators and cooperatives. Mel-Rick Incorporated has allowed me to obtain my Class A CDL license.

Boley Farms; Concordia, Kansas - Farm Hand, Sept. 2021 – May 2022

• My duties varied daily while on Boley Farms, but I spent most of my time doing normal farm chores and tending to various cattle. My job also required me to constantly maintain the farm equipment through regular maintenance and through many repair jobs. I built up my fabrication techniques and shop skills such as welding, cutting, and problem solving.

### Activities

*Kansas State University Dairy Cattle Judging* – *January 2023 – Present,* While at Kansas State, I was a member of the Dairy Cattle Judging team. I was a participant in multiple collegiate contests and volunteered my time to officiating FFA contests and taking reasons for 4H contests.

*Kansas State University Agricultural Education Club - August 2022 – Present,* While part of the agriculture education club, I have been very active in all activities. I travelled to Greenhand Conferences and National Convention with Ag Ed Club, and I am currently on the officer team as a Professional Committee Co-Chair.

Cloud County Community College Horse Judging – August 2021 – May 2022, While part of the Cloud County Community College Horse Judging team, I competed in many collegiate horse judging contests. I personally was 9<sup>th</sup> place in performance at the AQHA World Show Collegiate Judging contest. Through judging, I also had the opportunity to officiate multiple FFA contests including the Missouri State FFA contest.

# References

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