

Iowa FFA Association

The FFA Mission

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership**, **personal growth**, and **career success** through agricultural education.

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2014 IOWA FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

86th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Public Speaking Leadership Event was held at Iowa State University, Ames, on Monday, April 28, 2014. Twelve individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Paige Myers from the Boone A&M FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Jim Fitzgerald. The second place individual for the event was Elisa Russ from the New Hampton FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Jim Russ.

This event is designed to develop rural and agricultural leadership, to provide for member participation in agricultural public speaking activities and to stimulate interest along such lines. The prepared public speaking event requires participants to write and deliver a six-to-eight minute speech in front of a panel of judges. Scoring is based on the written manuscript, the delivery of the speech and the answers to questions. The 2003-04 Iowa FFA Officers, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored this year's event.

The Iowa FFA Association has 219 local chapters with 14,200 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 580,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in

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Listed below are the results for the Public Speaking Leadership Event.

Place FFA Member Name(s) 1 Paige Myers		Chapter P. O. Boone	Rating Gold
2	Elisa Russ	New Hampton	Gold
3	Anna Brooks	Muscatine	Gold
	Dalton Howell	Columbus Junction	Gold
	Brenda Avila	Osage	Gold
	Sara Williamson	Clarinda	Silver
	Josie McCarty	Everly	Silver
	Adam Bodensteiner	Fairbank	Silver
	Paige Whitney	Ida Grove	Silver
	Matt Poore	Mount Ayr	Silver
	LeAnne Johnson	Shenandoah	Silver
	Hannah Al-Mazroa	Winterset	Silver

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