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## News Release

## 2017 IOWA FFA EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

89th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Extemporaneous Speaking Leadership Event was held at Iowa State University, Ames, on Monday, April 10, 2017. Twelve individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event (CDE). The first place individual for the event was Chandler Jahner from the Pella FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Jacob Bowers. The second place individual for the event was John Cook from the East Buchanan FFA Chapter at Winthrop. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Jon Doese.

The Extemporaneous Speaking event requires participants to deliver a speech on one of the four agricultural topics after given 30 minutes to prepare a four-to-six minute speech. This event is designed to encourage the development of FFA members in the ability to speak, to think and to answer questions readily before an audience. The Iowa FFA Extemporaneous Speaking CDE was made possible with support from WinField United through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Extemporaneous Speaking CDE are listed below.

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,800 student members as part of 232 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at IowaFFA.com, on Facebook, and Twitter.

Place FFA Member Name(s)		Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Chandler Jahner	Pella	Gold
2	John Cook	Winthrop	Gold
3	Andrew Dunn	Milford	Gold
	Hunter Crawford	Clarinda	Gold
	Peyton Schmitt	Lone Tree	Gold

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Mariah Murphy	Anita	Silver
Mitchell Redmond	Cascade	Silver
Jackson Tubbs	Maquoketa	Silver
Kelli Wicks	Rockford	Silver
Claire Baudler	Waukee	Silver
Micah Lantz	Lake City	Bronze
Cody Butler	State Center	Bronze