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News Release

Iowa FFA Announces 2019 Stars Over Iowa Finalists

ANKENY, Iowa--The 2019 Stars Over Iowa Finalists were selected for recognition as part of the 91st Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference at Hilton Coliseum in Ames, Iowa, April 14-16, 2019. Twenty-three finalists were selected in four different areas: Agribusiness, Agricultural Placement, Agricultural Production and Agriscience. The finalists were selected from a pool of 725 FFA members that will earn the Iowa FFA Degree—the highest honor the Iowa FFA Association can bestow upon an FFA member.

The star awards recognize students who have developed outstanding agricultural skills and competencies through their career development programs and demonstrated outstanding management skills. These finalists will be interviewed and an overall winner in each area will be announced on stage during the 4th General Session of the Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference Tuesday, April 16th.

Stars Over Iowa finalists receive a plaque and a cash award. The Stars Over Iowa program is possible with support from Beck's Hybrids through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Listed below are the Stars Over Iowa Finalists.

Star Finalists in Agribusiness:

Nathan Kroeger, Carroll Area, Carroll
Collin Knipper, Beckman Catholic FFA, Dyersville
Grace Long, Ballard FFA, Huxley
Joseph Westlake, Indianola FFA, Indianola
Caitlin Sanderman, Waverly-Shell Rock FFA, Waverly
Emily Harold, West Branch FFA, West Branch

Star Finalists in Agriscience:

Lauren Goldsmith, Beckman Catholic FFA, Dyersville
Connor Pickhinke, Ridge View FFA, Holstein
Jaxon Mullinnix, Lone Tree FFA, Lone Tree
Jacob Kaiser, West Delaware FFA, Manchester
Ty Schoelerman, Spencer FFA, Spencer

Star Finalists in Agricultural Placement:

Dayra Knoblock, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
Lydia Johnson, Southeast Polk FFA, Pleasant Hill
Jaden Ahlricks, Pilot Creek FFA, Pocahontas
Reese Borman, Central Lyons FFA, Rock Rapids
Tristen Liebe, North Linn FFA, Troy Mills
Brent Meyers, West Liberty FFA, West Liberty

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Star Finalists in Agricultural Production:

Spencer Collins, ADM FFA, Adel
Tyler Comes, Atlantic FFA, Atlantic
Benjamin Carlson, Central Plains FFA, Gowrie
Andrew Schechinger, Harlan FFA, Harlan
Kabe Boysen, Wapello FFA, Wapello
Brett Schoenherr, Midland FFA, Wyoming

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 15,400 student members as part of 242 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.