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News Release

Iowa FFA Holds 87th Annual Conference

ANKENY, Iowa--FFA members across Iowa will be celebrating success when they gather for the 87th Iowa FFA Leadership Conference on April 19-21 at Iowa State University's Hilton Coliseum in Ames, Iowa. The Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference is the 5th largest of its kind in the National FFA Organization.

"Go All Out", the theme for this year's convention, is geared toward supreme dedication to leadership, growth, and success. It also seeks to challenge FFA members to think about how they can "Go All Out" in everything that they do.

The annual conference will provide agricultural education students the opportunity to participate in Career Development Event competitions, be recognized for accomplishments in events during the past year, become inspired by motivational speakers, interact with college and business professionals, and develop leadership skills. Chapter delegates and Iowa FFA Officers will also conduct the annual business session to make decisions for the student-run Iowa FFA Association. Students will also be engaged in a service project with Meals from the Heartland with a goal of packaging their *one-millionth meal* since beginning this partnership in 2012.

Several exciting guests will be present at the 2015 Iowa FFA Leadership Conference. These include keynote speakers Dr. William Keim of Oregon State University, motivational speaker and Founder of The Character Institute; and Kyle Scheele, a professional youth speaker. National FFA Southern Region Vice President Stephen McBride will also address the conference.

The Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference is possible with support from the following partners of the Iowa FFA Foundation: Iowa State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Farm Credit Services of America, Des Moines Area Community College, and Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,600 student members as part of 225 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.