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## **News Release**

## Agriscience Fair Winners Named at 61<sup>st</sup> State Science + Technology Fair of Iowa

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Agriscience Fair was held at Hilton Coliseum in Ames on Thursday, March 22, 2018. The Iowa FFA Agriscience Fair is open to 7-12 grade students. First Place winning students have the opportunity to exhibit their Agriscience research in six different categories: Animal Systems; Environment Services/Natural Resource Systems; Food Products and Processing Systems; Plant Systems; Power, Structural and Technical Systems; and Social Systems. FFA members from Iowa that are selected as a national finalist in grades 7-12 may earn the opportunity to exhibit at the National FFA Agriscience Fair in Indianapolis, Indiana, in October.

While at the National FFA Convention & Expo, students display and exhibit showcasing their project and interview with a panel of judges. After all students have been interviewed, national summer judging scores are then combined with convention interview scores to calculate the overall ranking of projects within each category and division. Each participant is ranked gold, silver or bronze and receives a pin. The top three projects in each category and division are recognized for their efforts on the main stage during a general convention session. During this recognition ceremony, final ranking is announced.

The top three projects in each category received medals for their achievements and each overall division winner will receive a plaque and be recognized at the 90<sup>th</sup> Iowa FFA Leadership Conference at Hilton Coliseum in Ames. The Agriscience Fair was made possible with support from Animal Health International through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the FFA Agriscience Fair are listed below.

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## **About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 15,200 student members as part of 235 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.

## 2018 Agriscience Fair Results

Winner	Div	System Area	Chapter Name	Chapter PO	Student 1	Student 2
Division Winner	1	Animal Systems	North Fayette Valley	West Union	Grace Klein	
	2	Animal Systems	North Fayette Valley	West Union	Tyler Menne	Ben Gibson
	3	Animal Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Lauren Goldsmith	
System Winner & Divison Winner	5	Animal Systems	Crooked Creek	Winfield	Bailey Beckman	
Division Winner	6	Animal Systems	Des Moines	Des Moines	Victoria Pliler	Madison Stout
	1	Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems	Clay Central-Everly	Everly	Tyson Tessum	
System Winner	3	Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Adam Wessels	
	5	Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems	Red Oak	Red Oak	Mason Perkins	
	1	Food Products and Processing Systems	Clay Central-Everly	Everly	Abigail Wassom	
	2	Food Products and Processing Systems	North Fayette Valley	West Union	Nathan Crooker	Davan Crooker
	3	Food Products and Processing Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Katherine Grebner	
System Winner	5	Food Products and Processing Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Shelby Westhoff	
	1	Plant Systems	Pekin	Packwood	Alex Dix	
Division Winner	3	Plant Systems	Central Lee	Donnellson	Claire Wills	
Division Winner	4	Plant Systems	Midland	Wyoming	Callie Petersen	Koree Miller
System Winner	5	Plant Systems	Linn-Mar	Marion	Chase Krug	
	1	Power, Structural and Technical Systems	Grundy Center	Grundy Center	Soren Cleveland	
System Winner & Divison Winner	2	Power, Structural and Technical Systems	North Fayette Valley	West Union	Alyssa Bohr	Kyella Frieden
	5	Power, Structural and Technical Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Avery Tauke	
System Winner	1	Social Systems	North Fayette Valley	West Union	Kerigan Alexander	
	3	Social Systems	AC-GC	Guthrie Center	Emma Vogl	
	5	Social Systems	Maquoketa Valley	Delhi	Megan Ertl	