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## News Release

# 2021 IOWA FFA AG IMPACT CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

## 93rd Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

DES MOINES, IA - The Iowa FFA Ag Impact Leadership Event was held at Iowa Events Center, Des Moines, on Monday, April 19, 2021. Eleven chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event (CDE). The first place chapter for the event was the Montezuma FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Rick Swenson. The second place chapter for the event was the West Liberty FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Zach Morris, Ms. Elyse Buysse, and Ms. Michele McMichael.

Ag Impact is a CDE that challenges Middle School FFA members to explore the importance of agriculture in our state, county, and communities. This event is designed to engage middle schools students in learning how the industry of agriculture affects their daily lives. Learning activities should focus on: agricultural literacy, career exploration, personal development, and integration of academics. The Iowa FFA Ag Impact CDE was made possible with support from CF Industries- Spencer & Garner Terminals through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Ag Impact CDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Ellen Cook, Emily James, Tayler Wickham, Elizabeth De Jong , Ava Pargeon , and Kylee Larmore	Montezuma	Gold
2	Cole Daufeldt, Cael Daufeldt, Seth Axsom, Crager David, Caden Laughlin, and Ryan Cassidy	West Liberty	Gold
3	Savanna Davenport, Shelby Johnston, Mari Kriegel, Rachel Randall, and Riley Randall	State Center	Gold
	Colton Hansen, Aaron Olsen, Mari Gleason, Oliver Deist, Kylie Petersen, and Daniel Tessman	Audubon	Gold
	Addison Blush, Isaac Burlage, Leah Funke, Adam Gaul, Kaitlyn Besler, and Luke Wessel	Dyersville	Gold
	Kayla Burkle, Marie Grebner, Gabrielle Hoeger, Haley Kluesner, and Amber Lehmann	Dyersville	Silver
	Madison Meister, Miley Monahan, Caidyn Meyer, Denae Thayer, Jordin Carroll, and Emerson Ludwig	Lake View	Silver
	Adeline Stone , Makenna Perkins , Abigail Leahy, Cord Hamilton, Gavin Smith, and Addy Schreck	Leon	Silver

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Addey Lydon, Ella Johnson, Conor Britten, Weston Gettler, and Lauren Dean	Red Oak	Silver
Max Pollock, Fischer Buckingham, Austin Henderson, and Cutler Buban	Corydon	Bronze
Elyn Bartine, Isabella Borgos, Kinleigh Kriegel, Natalie Nichols, Cash Johnston, and Maddy Thompson	State Center	Bronze

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### **About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 16,300 student members as part of 248 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](http://IowaFFA.com), on Facebook, and Twitter.