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News Release

2023 IOWA FFA CREED SPEAKING LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT

95th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Creed Speaking Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 17, 2023. Eighteen individuals participated in this year's LDE. The first place individual for the event was Zoey Hamilton from the Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Rosa Sondag. The second place individual for the event was Lucy Knutter from the ACGC FFA Chapter at Guthrie Center. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Ms. Skie Campbell and Ms. Joelle Grubbs.

This event is designed to develop leadership and the ability to appear before groups by 7th through 9th grade students as they become members of the FFA. This event recognizes outstanding FFA members for their ability to present the FFA Creed from memory and answer questions on the meaning and purpose of the FFA Creed. The event is just one way members can develop their ability to communicate in a powerful, organized and professional manner. The Iowa FFA Creed Speaking LDE is made possible with support from MinnTex Citrus, Inc. through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Creed Speaking LDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Zoey Hamilton	Leon	Gold
2	Lucy Knutter	Guthrie Center	Gold
3	Mercedes Brockert	West Liberty	Gold
	Jordan Jones	Eldridge	Gold
	Karlee Vander Hamm	Hawarden	Gold
	Gabe Gibson	Indianola	Gold
	Carter Dudley	Monroe	Gold
	Nora Martin	Shenandoah	Gold
	Riley Randall	State Center	Gold
	Erica Driscoll	Williamsburg	Gold
	Eva Tomka	Carroll	Silver
	Abby Knobloch	Inwood	Silver
	Reagan Ham	Lake Mills	Silver
	Luke Steinkamp	Lake View	Silver
	Porter Campbell	Monticello	Silver
	Abby Schoning	Sheffield	Silver
	Brock Soppe	West Union	Silver
	Kreighton Peck	Winthrop	Silver

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 19,000 student members as part of 260 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.