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## News Release

# 2024 IOWA FFA AG IMPACT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT

## 96th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Ag Impact Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 15, 2024. 11 chapters participated in this year's LDE. The first 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. The second place chapter for the event was the Audubon FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mrs. Brittany Elmquist and Mr. Andy VanAernam.

Ag Impact is a LDE 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 LDE was made possible with support from CF Industries through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Ag Impact LDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Alice Thrasher, Elle Iske, Gabe Nebergall, Camden Crees, and John Stultz	West Liberty	Gold
2	Leyton Elmquist, Kye Gleason, Mason Kasperbauer, Bryli Petersen, and Whitney Petersen	Audubon	Gold
3	Aylah Johnson, Sydney Sperry, Lucy Morrison, Alyse Stroud, Makensey Henneman, and Maddie Mothershead	Clarinda	Gold
4	Evelynn Cavey, Kylie Hahn-Weathers, Olevia Olson, Maranda Pewe, and Kody Schroeder	Wheatland	Gold
5	Ella Graham, Aspen Rushford, Maddi Sweet, Lauran Wiese, Elizabeth Zaehring, and Kai Brokaw	Wyoming	Gold
	Lane Hauser, Evelyn Hanson, Mason Buck, Max Buck, Tatum Snyder, and Maryn Edler	State Center	Silver
	Alayna Frederick, Asher Desotel, Brynn Kemmerer, Hattie Mccollom, Kenley Papenberg, and Ella Randall	State Center	Silver
	Haddie Kroneman, Tabitha Rashidi, Shaylee Schulte, Attica Marble, and Z. Jackson Schulte	Van Horne	Silver
	Ryder Wildin, Ty Bane, Maclayn Hirsch, Jerett Bradley, and Nora Lowden	Winterset	Silver
	Grant Halferty, Kreighton Reed, Amaryllis Jensen, Ashtyn Robinson, and Charleigh Cooper	Corydon	Bronze

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Miranda Gerdes, Kolbe Hunziker, Makynli Hunziker, Lauryn Lally,  
Addison Lode, and Ella Wieck

Lake View

Bronze

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### **About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 19,800 student members as part of 263 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.