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## **News Release**

# **2025 IOWA FFA AG BROADCASTING LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT**

## **97th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference**

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Ag Broadcasting Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 14, 2025. Twelve individuals participated in this year's LDE. The first place individual for the event was Laci Cockrum from the Carroll Area FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Brady Eischeid. The second place individual for the event was Kensley Paul from the Muscatine FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Sam Paul, Mr. Dave Tometich, Ms. Ashley Wiebe, Mrs. Alexa Coobs, and Ms. Dailyn Garrett.

Members participating in this event present a five-minute broadcast as if they were a farm director or reporter for a radio station. This event is intended to foster an understanding and create an interest in the field of broadcast journalism. The Iowa FFA Ag Broadcasting LDE is made possible with support from the Iowa FFA Foundation Gold Standard Partners.

The results from the Ag Broadcasting LDE are listed below.

<b>Place</b>	<b>FFA Member Name(s)</b>	<b>Chapter P. O.</b>	<b>Rating</b>
1	Laci Cockrum	Carroll	Gold
2	Kensley Paul	Muscatine	Gold
3	Julia Mortvedt	Ames	Gold
	Karlee Shever	Correctionville	Gold
	Aidan Johnson	Clarinda	Silver
	Rebekah Lower	Goose Lake	Silver
	Lily Schmitz	LaPorte City	Silver
	Rebecca De Vries	Monroe	Silver
	Lyndon Dohlman	Riceville	Silver
	Kolter Good	Truro	Silver
	Raine Wheeler	Vinton	Silver
	Mylee Dvorak	Holstein	Bronze

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### **About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 20,300 student members as part of 270 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) and on social media.