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News Release

2025 IOWA FFA AG ISSUES AND PERCEPTIONS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT

97th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Ag Issues and Perceptions Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 14, 2025. Twelve chapters participated in this year's LDE. The first place chapter for the event was the Clear Lake FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Jenna Kingsley. The second place chapter for the event was the Osage FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Malayne Meyer.

Ag Issues and Perceptions is a team event that requires chapters to have a firm understanding of how issues in agriculture develop. Participants were challenged to develop a portfolio and deliver a presentation that stressed both the pros and cons the issue. Verbal skills and presentation abilities were used to defend their issue through a series of questions. The Iowa FFA Ag Issues and Perceptions LDE is made possible with support from ASFMRA- Iowa Chapter through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Ag Issues and Perceptions LDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Lydia Brattrud, Eleanor Ebeling, Lauren Englin, Mj Otto, Gracey Smith, Madelyn Tarr, and Walker Williams	Clear Lake	Gold
2	Ivy Christensen, Kaylie Havig, Abby Rachut, Devin Scott, Kolton Olson, and Presly Kennedy	Osage	Gold
3	Katherine Barten, Jayleen Kivi, Mercedes Brockert, Mallory Wulf, Alyssa Lenz, and Perry Lehman	West Liberty	Gold
	Brayden Parks, Lauryn Fuchs, and Clare Haselhoff	Bondurant	Gold
	Adam McCrea, Ian Betts, Madelyn Green, Barrett Roorda, and Aven Fisher	Cedar Rapids	Gold
	Addison Den Ouden, Braelynn Den Ouden, and Alyson Leusink	Orange City	Gold
	Noah Cleghorn, Drew Fausch, Tanner Jansen, Lane Jensen, Jacob Mundt, Brandon Wanzek, and Tyler Thompson	Alleman	Silver
	Bella Edler, Hannah Walvatne, Emersyn Mattiesen, Emmalee Kratz, and Jordynn Fink	Center Point	Silver
	Morgan Manes, Rylee Pulliam, Gabrielle Derry, Alisha Buttercase, and Britney Kolamneo	Clarinda	Silver
	Carter Davidshofer, Kylie Donovan, Ashlyn Kruse, Audrey Kruse, Bethany March, and Brenna Penner	Epworth	Silver
	Chloe Nelson, Harley Longnecker, and Ethan Chapman	Shenandoah	Bronze
	Kiely Morrow, Dalten Kreibaum, Leo Durazo, Frederick Shannon, and Genesis Partida	Sioux Rapids	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 and on social media.