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## News Release

# 2026 IOWA FFA SECRETARY'S BOOK LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT

## 98th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Secretary's Book Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 20, 2026. 12 chapters participated in this year's LDE. The first place chapter for the event was the Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Ms. Gabrielle Power, Mr. Wyatt Samuelson, and Mrs. Louise Fleming. The second place chapter for the event was the Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Andrew Johnson, Mrs. Logan Henry, and Mrs. Emma Cutler.

The Secretary's Book LDE requires the Chapter Secretary to keep complete and accurate records of the chapter's activities. Chapter Secretaries must include the chapter FFA roster, meeting agendas, meeting minutes, committee reports, and copies of all chapter correspondence. The Iowa FFA Secretary's Book LDE is made possible with support through the Iowa FFA Foundation Gold Standard Partners.

The results from the Secretary's Book LDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Sophia Newton	Vinton	Gold
2	Maggie Carlson	Clarinda	Gold
3	Lola Chedester	Lake View	Gold
	Evan Wedemeier	Fairbank	Gold
	Adaline Gade	Griswold	Gold
	Alison Nimke	Manson	Gold
	Kylie Carter	Albia	Silver
	Morgan Havlik	Leon	Silver
	Alison Mehmen	Nashua	Silver
	Avery Evans	Tiffin	Silver
	Megan VanDeer	Webster City	Silver
	Tate Bombei and Caedyn Huston	Wellman	Silver

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**About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 20,500 student members as part of 273 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.