



Iowa FFA Association

The FFA Mission

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth, and career success** through agricultural education.*

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2009 IOWA FFA CREED SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

81st Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Creed Speaking Leadership Event was held at the Events Center, Des Moines, on Thursday, April 16, 2009. Eighteen individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Shelby Cornelius from the Decorah FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Rick Twedt. The second place individual for the event was Theresa Fitzgerald from the Boone A&M FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Doug Dodd.

This event is designed to develop leadership and the ability to appear before groups by 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. This year's event was sponsored by Iowa State Grange, through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The Iowa FFA Association has 221 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a

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national organization of more than 500,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's 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.

Listed below are the results for the Creed Speaking Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Shelby Cornelius	Decorah	Gold
2	Theresa Fitzgerald	Boone	Gold
3	Jacob Oswald	Murray	Gold
	Benjamin Johnson	Alleman	Gold
	Drew Mogler	Inwood	Gold
	Ashley Spears	Sibley	Gold
	Jenna Schade	Troy Mills	Gold
	Eric Weirup	DeWitt	Silver
	Beth Irlmeier	Elk Horn	Silver
	Mackaela Kane	Fairbank	Silver
	Andrea Kuffel	Griswold	Silver
	Lauren Houska	Lake View	Silver
	Alexis Reno	Leon	Silver
	Holly Morrison	Letts	Silver
	Cheyann Shelton	Mondamin	Silver
	Rachel Lobianco	Muscatine	Silver
	Katie Klaes	Osage	Silver
	Michelle Stille	Sheffield	Silver

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