



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.*

State of Iowa
Department of Education
Bureau of Technical & Vocational Education
Grimes State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147
Contact: Alan Spencer (515.281.4706)

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

2009 IOWA FFA EXPERIENCE THE ACTION CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

81st Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Experience the Action Leadership Event was held at the Events Center, Des Moines, on Thursday, April 16, 2009. Twelve chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place chapter for the event was the Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Ellen Doese. The second place chapter for the event was the Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Dean Mohling and Ms. Meghan Crilly.

Team members developed enthusiastic presentations that marketed Agricultural Education and FFA. This program serves to inform and educate the general public regarding the benefits and activities of Ag Ed/FFA programs. MinnTex Citrus – Iowa, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored this year's event.

The Iowa FFA Association has 221 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 500,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science,

Iowa FFA Association -- 2

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 Experience the Action Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Christopher Schmitt, Brittanie Gordon, Michael Corcoran, Hanna Wiersma, and Spencer Cindrich	Fairbank	Gold
2	Nichole Wurzer, Colin Pagel, Austin Niewoehner, Alyssa Meyer, and Hunter Pagel	Sumner	Gold
3	Austin Forret, Ryan Heilig, Brian Kruse, Karolyn Kruse, and Marcie Stevenson	Wheatland	Gold
	Brady Haye, Sarah King, Mike Mogensen, Jared Wissler, and Bailey Wright	Lake View	Gold
	Alli Zwanziger, Kaitlyn Hawbaker, Ryan Franzen, Ashley Ludemann, and Reece Buttjer	Nashua	Gold
	Blair Bennett, Brooke Bennett, Dj Erkenbrach, Molly Thompson, and Brittany Wirtz	Rockwell City	Gold
	Autumn Barnhart, Travis Brubaker, Ethan Hammes, Sydney Patterson, and Brett Wright	Sigourney	Gold
	Jessica Ring, Joe Arentson, Ryan Fahn, Emily Hundt, and Daniel Schaben	Harlan	Silver
	Ryan Plunkett, Darren Struthers, Trever Birchmier, and Jackie Coughenour	Maxwell	Silver
	Kegan Downing, Kelsey Gibbons, Chase Hunter, Zach Irving, and Brandon Harper	Panora	Silver
	Ronald Wilkey, Jessica Rodrigues, Channing Snider, Emilee Smith, and Luis Garcia	State Center	Silver
	Megan Norman, Morgan Brittian, Jacob England, Halee Rice, and Katie Gamble	Winterset	Silver

#####

