## **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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## **2011 IOWA FFA CREED SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT** 83rd Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Creed Speaking Leadership Event was held at the Events Center, Des Moines, on Thursday, April 14, 2011. Eighteen individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Mikayla Dolch from the Reno Smith FFA Chapter at Villisca. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Steve Drevet. The second place individual for the event was Shereese Folsom from the Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Ellen Doese.

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.

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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	Mikayla Dolch	Villisca	Gold
2	Shereese Folsom	Fairbank	Gold
3	Tate Jaeger	Charles City	Gold
	McKenna Wigg	Murray	Gold
	Hannah Pagel	Sumner	Gold
	Brogan Avery	Clarion	Silver
	Ruth Sutton	Decorah	Silver
	Jacob Steinbeck	Griswold	Silver
	Kass Davis	Knoxville	Silver
	Whitney Figland	Monroe	Silver
	Erin Lagone	Muscatine	Silver
	Brittany McQueen	Oskaloosa	Silver
	Grant Vrba	Red Oak	Silver
	Gus Loving	Sioux Rapids	Silver
	Katie Meyers	West Liberty	Silver
	Emily Brown	Garner	Bronze
	Stephanie Hood	Lake City	Bronze
	Katie Goodell	Lake Park	Bronze