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News Release

2017 IOWA FFA AG ISSUES AND PERCEPTIONS CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

89th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Ag Issues and Perceptions Leadership Event was held at Iowa State University, Ames, on Monday, April 10, 2017. Twelve Chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event (CDE). The first place chapter for the event was the Osage FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mrs. Melissa Moretz. The second place chapter for the event was the Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Miss Jamie Christiansen.

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 CDE was made possible with support from the Iowa Chapter of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

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

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,800 student members as part of 232 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, on Facebook, and Twitter.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Matthew Klaes, Adam Koch, Whitney Hemann, Jarrett Huebsch, Joseph Sullivan, and Lucas Weigle	Osage	Gold
2	Lauryn Eganhouse, Griffin Gravel, Payton Lasack, Ethan Orr, Emma Paulsen, Brett Schoenherr, and Anna Roseland	Wyoming	Gold
3	Koby Boysen, Larame Boysen, Tate Boysen, Kenna Lanz, Makenna West, Gage Witte, and Travis Wanfalt	Wapello	Gold

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4	Adison Evans, Justin Kooistra, Emery Martin, Erica Meyer, Ethan Meyer, Trevor Van Middendorp, and Dana De Smet	Inwood	Silver
5	Sidney Nelsen, Ashley Lees, Blaine Lees, Preslyn Grobe, Holly Hatch, and Logan Hoepner	Avoca	Silver
	Lindsey Meyers, Jill Cater, Alex Logan, Madison Scharlau, Christian Farnsworth, Joe Westlake, and Justin DeLay	Indianola	Silver
	Jayden Jorgensen, Jacob Titus, Kylee Smith, Sadie Arickx, Jamie Schuster, Maggie Hain, and Drake Munson	Rockford	Silver
	Will Gordon, Laura Weis, Hailey Arendt, Allivea Skarda, Ian Burns, Danika Schultes, and Hank Looney	Creston	Bronze
	Rick Galle, Lauren Hulsebus, and Jacob Wolken	Donnellson	Bronze
	Sarah Nehring, Laney Wilson, Brian John Schmidt, Nelson Findling, Taya Quail, Brooke Kathman, and Ellie Thompson	Everly	Bronze
	Spencer Thompson, Jodi Baudler, Cole Shike, Christina Wilson, and Beau Weinheimer	Greenfield	Bronze
	Abby Johnson, Sophie Selk, Grant Hill, Tyler Rottinghaus, and Karson Hennings	LaPorte City	Bronze