



# 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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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **2008 IOWA FFA AG IMPACT CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT**

80th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Ag Impact Leadership Event was held at Hilton Coliseum, Ames, on Monday, April 14, 2008. Five chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place chapter for the event was the Tri-Star FFA Chapter at Elkader. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Steve Zaruba. The second place chapter for the event was the East Sac FFA Chapter at Lake View. Their agriculture education instructors are Mr. Scott Johnson and Ms. Larissa Rupnow.

Ag Impact is a Career Development Event that challenges Middle School FFA members to explore the importance of agriculture in our state, county, and communities. Ag The Importance of Agriculture Program is designed to engage middle schools students in learning how the industry of agriculture affects their daily lives. Learning activities should focus on: agricultural literacy, career exploration, personal development, and integration of academics. The Ag Impact CDE is sponsored by the Harlan FFA Chapter through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The Iowa FFA Association has 230 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 Ag Impact Leadership Event.

<b>Place</b>	<b>FFA Member Name(s)</b>	<b>Chapter P. O.</b>	<b>Rating</b>
1	Mandi Mueller, Cassie Moser, Emily Mueller, Carissa Seeley, Jennifer Winch, and Seanalee Bailey	Elkader	Gold
2	Lauren Houska, Catie Irwin, Kacie Partridge, and Marie Scott	Lake View	Gold
3	Rebecca Knickerbocker, Elizabeth Franzen, Whitney Schott, and Isabella Streif	Elgin	Gold
	Matthew Sturges, Cody Staudt, Colin Sido, Michelle Stille, Taryn Riediger, and Taylor Twedt	Sheffield	Silver
	Joel Crooks, Delaney Howell, Anna Lowe, and Katherine Seitz	Columbus Junction	Bronze

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