



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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2007 IOWA FFA EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

79th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Extemporaneous Speaking Leadership Event was held at Hilton Coliseum, Ames, on Monday, April 16, 2007. Twelve individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Holden Nyhus from the Forest City FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Larry Vold. The second place individual for the event was Derek Schipull from the Pella FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Mark Williams.

The Extemporaneous Speaking event required participants to deliver a speech on one of the three agricultural topics after given 30 minutes to prepare a four-to-six minute speech. This event is designed to encourage the development of FFA members in the ability to speak, to think and to answer questions readily before an audience. This year's event was sponsored by Farm News, 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 495,000 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 Extemporaneous Speaking Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Holden Nyhus	Forest City	Gold
2	Derek Schipull	Pella	Gold
3	Brady McNeil	DeWitt	Gold
	Leslie Hardisty	Corning	Silver
	Chad Fertig	Lake View	Silver
	Katie Moorman	Manchester	Silver
	Amanda Halbur	Manning	Silver
	Sean Staudt	Rockwell	Silver
	Mary Foell	Early	Bronze
	Kira Wennerholm	Kalona	Bronze
	Lori Klootwyk	Knoxville	Bronze
	Spencer Jordan	Marion	Bronze

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