



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 PUBLIC SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

79th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Public 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 Jacob Waddingham from the Orient-Macksburg FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Ed Hansen. The second place individual for the event was Megan Kregel from the Tri-Star FFA Chapter at Elkader. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Steve Zaruba.

This event is designed to develop rural and agricultural leadership, to provide for member participation in agricultural public speaking activities and to stimulate interest along such lines. The prepared public speaking event requires participants to write and deliver a six-to-eight minute speech in front of a panel of judges. Scoring is based on the written manuscript, the delivery of the speech and the answers to questions. Solutions, Inc., through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored this year's event.

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 Public Speaking Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Jacob Waddingham	Orient	Gold
2	Megan Kregel	Elkader	Gold
3	Jeff Bruning	Mapleton	Gold
4	Courtney Boom	Inwood	Gold
	Jacob Venner	Boone	Silver
	Kelli Kregel	Delhi	Silver
	Glen Mommsen	DeWitt	Silver
	Matthew Christensen	Jefferson	Silver
	Zac Pace	Muscatine	Silver
	Kelsey Ford	Pleasantville	Silver
	Wes Hardy	St. Ansgar	Silver
	Ashley Boeck	Guthrie Center	Bronze

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