



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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2008-2009 State Officer Team Announced at Final Session of the 80th State Leadership Conference

AMES, Iowa—The 2008-2009 state FFA officer team was announced during the final session of the 80th state FFA leadership conference in Ames, Iowa at Hilton Coliseum. To be considered for the position of an Iowa state FFA officer, FFA members had to submit an officer application, complete an FFA knowledge exam, submit their Supervised Agricultural Experience record books, as well as go through three rounds of personal interviews with a 13-member nominating committee. Officer candidates were selected in the nominating committee report and those balloted were voted on by a delegation at the state leadership conference.

The 2008-2009 officer team consists of:

Reporter: Brent Doese, Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank

Secretary: Dakota Hoben, Louisa Muscatine FFA Chapter

Southeast State Vice President: Ryan Augustine, North Mahaska FFA Chapter

Southwest State Vice President: Michael Dolch, Reno Smith FFA Chapter at Villisca

Northeast State Vice President: Megan Kregel, Tri-Star FFA Chapter at Guttenburg

Northwest State Vice President: Austin Willer, Akron-Westfield FFA Chapter

South Central Vice President: Betsy Pearson, Winterset FFA Chapter

North Central Vice President: Allyson Ladd, Boone A&M FFA Chapter

President: Dan Hansen, Elkhorn-Kimballton FFA Chapter

These newly elected officers will lead the Iowa FFA Association throughout the next year. Each state officer will meet with top leaders in business, government and education, visit many of the 230 FFA chapters across the state as well as conduct workshops and plan the 81st state FFA leadership conference that will be held at Veteran's Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines April 16-17, 2009.

The Iowa FFA Association has 230 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 490,000 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.