



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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2009 IOWA FFA AG BROADCASTING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

81st Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Ag Broadcasting Leadership Event was held at Veteran's Auditorium, Des Mines, on Thursday, April 16, 2009. Twelve individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Zack Kerr from the Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Dean Mohling and Ms. Meghan Crilly. The second place individual for the event was Marshall Dolch from the Reno Smith FFA Chapter at Villisca. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Steve Drevet.

Members participating in this event present a five-minute broadcast as if they were a farm director or reporter for a radio station. This event is intended to foster an understanding and create an interest in the field of broadcast journalism. The Iowa Broadcasters Association and The Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored this year's event.

The Iowa FFA Association has 221 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 500,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science,

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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 Broadcasting Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Zack Kerr	Sumner	Gold
2	Marshall Dolch	Villisca	Gold
3	Jeff Bruning	Mapleton	Gold
	Hilary Bruner	Eddyville	Silver

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