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News Release

2025 IOWA FFA JOB INTERVIEW LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT

97th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

AMES, IA - The Iowa FFA Job Interview Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the Iowa State Center, Ames, on Monday, April 14, 2025. Twelve individuals participated in this year's LDE. The first place individual for the event was Alia Schmidt from the Easton Valley FFA Chapter at Preston. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Steven Eskildsen and Ms. Alyssa Poll. The second place individual for the event was Cole Daufeldt from the West Liberty FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Zach Morris, Ms. Elyse Buysse, and Ms. Michele McMichael.

Members participating in the Job Interview Leadership Development Event had to demonstrate their ability in filling out a job application form, writing a letter of application, preparing a resume, interviewing properly, answering questions clearly, and presenting the proper impression. The Iowa FFA Job Interview LDE is made possible with support from Christensen Farms through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The results from the Job Interview LDE are listed below.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Alia Schmidt	Preston	Gold
2	Cole Daufeldt	West Liberty	Gold
3	Cale Jensen	Nashua	Gold
	Riley Nothwehr	Clarinda	Gold
	Beth Pickar	New Hampton	Gold
	Alana Fleming	Vinton	Gold
	Ryleigh Harrison	Griswold	Silver
	Kaden Dorman	Lake City	Silver
	Jesua Mendoza	Marshalltown	Silver
	Makayla Allen	Pleasant Hill	Silver
	Kolby Oldenkamp	Sioux Center	Silver
	Marley Larson	Knoxville	Bronze

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 20,300 student members as part of 270 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA 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. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at IowaFFA.com and on social media.