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The National FFA Organization National Event Winners - Agricultural Issues Forum 2021

INDIANAPOLIS- Winners of the National FFA Agricultural Issues Forum Leadership Development Event (CDE) were announced Friday at the annual awards banquet. The event was held in conjunction with the 94th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. Dr. Stacy Vincent from University of Kentucky served as superintendent of the event.

The members of the top four teams in the nation received cash awards to recognize their success in the event. The cash awards and the agricultural issues forum event are sponsored by Elanco Animal Health, Syngenta and U.S. Poultry & Egg. Elanco Animal Health is proud to sponsor the Agricultural Issues Forum Career Development Event. Elanco provides comprehensive products and knowledge services to improve animal health and food-animal production in more than 70 countries around the world.

The National FFA Agricultural Issues Forum Leadership Development Event is a competitive event that tests students' knowledge of agricultural issues and evaluates how well they can apply classroom knowledge to real-life situations. To qualify for the agricultural issues forum LDE, teams must design a presentation that addresses multiple viewpoints of a contemporary agricultural issue and present it to a number of audiences in their community. For the national event, they present a portfolio based on their local audiences' feedback and deliver their presentation to a panel of judges.

This event, held at the Westin in Indianapolis, is one of many educational activities at the National FFA Convention & Expo in which FFA members practice the lessons learned in agricultural education classes.

Top Placing Teams

1st Place-- California	Emma Coelho, Avery Coelho, Madeline Lew, Aidan Champagne, and Duncan Champagne, all of Tulare FFA
2nd Place-- Texas	Taylor Barrett, Carlie Stubblefield, Rayce Hudson, Caleb Corley, Thomas Dean, and Emma Hagaman, all of Madisonville FFA
3rd Place-- Oregon	Anna Guerrero, Daytona Tracy, Keeva Hoston, Alexis Leathers, Grant Hills, Cidney Estes, and Abigail Conner, all of Hermiston FFA
4th Place-- Iowa	Kole Michaud, Chiara Dusanek, Trenton Rickels, Hannah Fishwild, Alivia Smith, and Isabelle Ricketts, all of Midland FFA
5th Place-- Missouri	Carlee Long, Andi Holmes, Morghan Crain, Makayla Hayes, Kendall Mason, Emma Morgan and Gracie Hatton, all of Paris FFA

Team Emblems Listed

Gold Emblem

Tulare FFA, CA	Midland FFA, IA
Paris FFA, MO	Hermiston FFA, OR
Madisonville FFA, TX	

Silver Emblem Teams

Stephens County FFA, GA
Shenandoah FFA, IN
O'Neill FFA, NE
Oologah FFA, OK
Iroquois FFA, SD
Buffalo FFA, WV

Meridian FFA, ID
Corvallis FFA, MT
Silver Sage FFA, NV
Grand Canyon FFA, PA
Watertown FFA, TN

Bronze Emblem Teams

Buckeye Union FFA, AZ
Moore Haven FFA, FL
Canton-Galva FFA, KS
Jennings FFA, LA
Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted FFA, MN
West Rowan FFA, NC
Cloudcroft FFA, NM
Anna FFA, OH
Elma FFA, WA
Thermopolis FFA, WY

Appoquinimink FFA, DE
Bushnell Prairie City FFA, IL
Locust Trace FFA, KY
New Lothrop FFA, MI
Tishomingo County Career & Technical FFA, MS
Bergen County Academies FFA, NJ
Schuylerville FFA, NY
Mount Nebo FFA, UT
Elkhorn FFA, WI

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