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## **The National FFA Organization National Event Winners - Extemporaneous Public Speaking 2025**

INDIANAPOLIS- Winners of the National FFA Extemporaneous Public Speaking Leadership Development Event (LDE) were announced Thursday during the third session of the 98th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. Dr. Kasee L Smith of the University of Idaho served as the superintendent of this year's national event.

The top four individuals received cash awards to recognize their success in the event.

The extemporaneous public speaking event develops FFA members' abilities to express themselves on a given agriculture-related topic without prior preparation or rehearsal. Participants formulate and present their remarks in a limited time, showcasing their spontaneous speaking skills. Judges evaluate speaking, presentation, content, and ability to answer questions about the speech's topic. This event is held in conjunction with the National FFA Convention & Expo, providing a platform for members to demonstrate their public speaking abilities.

This event, held at the Hyatt and the Indiana Convention Center 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 Individuals**

1st Place-- Ciara Oldham of Cookeville FFA, TN  
2nd Place-- Kailey Howell of Spring Hill FFA, KS  
3rd Place-- Carson Reiman of Gothenburg FFA, NE  
4th Place-- Luke Boyle of West Dubuque FFA, IA

### **Individual Emblems Listed**

#### **Gold Emblem Individuals**

Cooper Davis of Durant FFA, FL  
Kaitlyn Maruszewski of Tri Central FFA, IN  
Carson Reiman of Gothenburg FFA, NE  
Ciara Oldham of Cookeville FFA, TN

Luke Boyle of West Dubuque FFA, IA  
Kailey Howell of Spring Hill FFA, KS  
Kaitlyn Patterson of Seneca FFA, SC  
Karly Anderson of Pearland FFA, TX

#### **Silver Emblem Individuals**

Daren L Deftereos of Hanford FFA, CA  
Isabelle Williams of Madison County FFA, GA  
Grace Torsch of Montague FFA, MI  
Johanna Demars of Winifred FFA, MT  
Corbin Robbins of Chattanooga FFA, OK

Riley Mahaffey of Housatonic Valley FFA, CT  
Carolina Rhea of Woodford County FFA, KY  
Luke McCrea of Bethlehem Academy FFA, MN  
Sydney Stirm of Colonel Crawford FFA, OH  
Kaylee Jones of Sandy FFA, OR

Elena Andrews of Beresford FFA, SD  
Franco Abud of Courtland FFA, VA  
Ellie Rhodes of Lomira FFA, WI

Ryleigh Manning of Fremont FFA, UT  
Trent Oney of Sumner FFA, WA  
Callie Christensen of Saddle & Sirloin Newcastle FFA, WY

### **Bronze Emblem Individuals**

Jordan Hartman of Iron Mountain FFA, AK  
Shae Lovelace of Bergman FFA, AR  
Molly Smith of SOROCO FFA, CO  
Chara Daily of Waipahu FFA, HI  
Natalie Pratt of Amboy FFA, IL  
Charlotte Colagiovanni of Keefe Tech FFA, MA  
Kristin Waters of Norborne FFA, MO  
Kyrra McCollum of Green Level FFA, NC  
Jazmine Witham of Lakes Region FFA, NH  
Danielle Madalena of Battle Mountain FFA, NV  
Lila Kretzing of West Perry, PA

Emma Roeben of Narragansett FFA, RI  
Parker Taylor of Clay FFA, WV

Matty Grace Coghlan of McKenzie FFA, AL  
Elizabeth Ann Andre of Camp Verde FFA, AZ  
Lucy Chorman of Milford FFA, DE  
Londyn Higgins of Meridian FFA, ID  
Andikaye Ainsworth of Forest FFA, LA  
Wade Stephens of Linganore FFA, MD  
Mckinley Johnson of West Lauderdale FFA, MS  
Kristyn Bauer of Beulah FFA, ND  
Bailey Trujillo of Artesia FFA, NM  
Baylee Hoffmeister of Warsaw FFA, NY  
Leeah Vázquez Lebrón of Vocational Dra. María Socorro  
Lacot FFA, PR  
Terrell Houston of Missisquoi Valley FFA, VT

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