IOWA FOUNDATION FOR AGRICULTURAL ADVANCEMENT

Facts about IFAA

IFAA is a non-profit organization comprised of agricultural enthusiasts dedicated to encouraging 4-H and FFA livestock, poultry and agricultural project members to pursue ag-related careers. IFAA manages the annual Iowa State Fair Sale of Champions and the impressive Winner’s Circle Scholarship and Awards program. The IFAA was reorganized in 1988, since that time . . . 

- More than 400 agricultural industry leaders have volunteered more than 300,000 hours participating on the IFAA Board of Directors and as Associates.
- Over 2,367 Winner’s Circle Scholarships have been awarded to Iowa young people totaling more than $2,864,825.
- 440 Sale of Champions exhibitors have sold their livestock totaling $5,664,200.
- 1,634 Performance and Carcass Awards have been handed out totaling $363,550.
- More than 5,000 individuals and companies have sponsored Iowa’s 4-H and FFA youth through contributions to IFAA.
- That’s a total of $8,948,560 raised to support the future of Iowa’s 4-H and FFA youth.

The Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Advancement (IFAA) sponsors the following awards at the 2019 Iowa State Fair.

4-H Division:

- Supreme Champion 4-H Breeding Heifer will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Suidae Health & Production.
- Reserve Supreme Champion 4-H Breeding Heifer will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Polk County Cattlemen’s Association.
- Grand Champion 4-H Market Heifer will receive $500 Kent Habeger Memorial Award from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and the Habeger Show Stock - Burt.
- Champion 4-H Beef of Merit High Cutability Grid Market Carcass – Window A in the Beef of Merit Contest will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Vermeer Charitable Foundation - Pella.
- Champion 4-H Beef of Merit High Quality Grid Market Carcass - Window B in the Beef of Merit Contest will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Al & Jeanne Conover, Conover Auction Service, Inc. - Baxter.
- Supreme Champion 4-H Commercial Ewe will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Story County Sheep Producers.
- Supreme Champion Overall 4-H Purebred Ewe will receive $250 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Rich Krafka Family Suffolks – Dysart.
- Reserve Champion 4-H Commercial Gilt will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and RAR Genetics – Rick Abbas – Aplington.
- Third Place Champion 4-H Market Hog will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Iowa Elite Show Pig Breeders: Shane & Kathleen Brinning - Keota, Forsyth Bros. – Joel & Mark Forsyth – Charles City. Lettow Show Pigs - Tye & Teresa Lettow - Woodward, Tim & Heather Marek - Riverside and Jayme & Angela Sieren - Keota.
- Fourth Place Champion 4-H Market Hog will receive $750 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Dan Burzlaff – Delmar, Lewis Genetics - A.J. Lewis – Center Point and Andy Platner – Lisbon.
• Fifth Place Champion 4-H Market Hog will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Eggers Show Pigs - Joe Eggers* – State Center and *Jim & Karwyn Gibson* – Panora.
• Champion 4-H Purebred Market Hog will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Brice Conover* – Baxter and *4 K Farms - Kirk Swanson* – Red Oak.
• Reserve Champion 4-H Purebred Market Hog will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and *Jeff & Brett Grings* – Wilton and *Wayne Huinker* – Decorah.
• Champion 4-H Purebred Breeding Gilt will receive $600 and Reserve Champion 4-H Purebred Breeding Gilt will receive $400 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Cain Super Sires – Earl Cain* - Chariton; *Jim Grimm* - Maynard; *Matt & Heidi Rohrig* - Orient, *Vegas Show Pigs – Sheets Families* - Nevada.
• Champion and Reserve Champion 4-H Market Hog in each weight division in the Gilt and Barrow Shows will receive a walnut plaque from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and *Swine Genetics International, Ltd.* – Cambridge.
• Champion 4-H Market Hog in each weight division in the Gilt and Barrow Shows will received $250 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and *Hubbard Feeds/ShowRite* – Mankato, MN.

**FFA Division:**

• Supreme Champion FFA Breeding Heifer will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Hamilton County Beef Producers, Scott County Cattlemen’s Association* and *Ferguson Cattle Company*.
• Reserve Champion FFA Breeding Heifer will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle.
• Champion Choice Retail Beef Carcass – Window A in the FFA Performance Beef Competition will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and *Hawkeye Breeders Service, Inc. – In Memory of Lloyd & Doris Jungman & Carl Jensen* - Adel
• Champion Lean Lite Beef Carcass – Window B in the FFA Performance Beef Competition will receive $300 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Alan Edler* – State Center, and *Paul Edler* - State Center.
• Champion FFA Hotel-Restaurant Beef Carcass – Window C in the Performance Beef Competition will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and *Iowa Machine Shed Restaurants*.
• Supreme Champion FFA Commercial Ewe will receive $250 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Spath Show Stock – Isaiah Spath* – Hampton.
• Champion FFA Market Lamb Carcass will receive $300 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle *Edler Family Farms – Doug & Bailey Edler* – Clemons and *Phil Edler* – Cedar Falls.
• Champion FFA Commercial Gilt will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, *Harold and Dixie Hodson* – Ankeny.
• Fifth Place Champion FFA Market Hog will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Shane & Kathleen Brinning – Keota, Forsyth Bros. – Charles City, Lettow Show Pigs – Woodward, Tim & Heather Marek – Riverside and Jayme & Angela Sieren – Keota.
• Champion FFA Purebred Breeding Gilt will receive $600 and the Reserve Champion FFA Purebred Breeding Gilt will receive $400 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Franklin Albertsen – Toledo, Iverson Farms – Ron & Marcia Iverson’ - Grinnell, Wayne Huinker – Decorah, and Dave Martin - Marion.
• Champion and Reserve Champion FFA Market Hog in each weight division in the Gilt and Barrow Shows will receive a walnut plaque from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Swine Genetics International, Ltd. – Cambridge.
• Champion FFA Market Hog in each weight division in the Gilt and Barrow Shows will receive $250 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and Kent showfeeds – Muscatine.
• Champion FFA Derby Pork Carcass will receive $1,000 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Swine Genetics International, Ltd. - Cambridge and International Boar Semen - Eldora.
• Reserve Champion FFA Derby Pork Carcass will receive $500 from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle, Joe Steffensmeier – Steffensmeier Farms – West Point and Webster City Custom Meats, Inc. – Webster City.

Premier FFA Beef, Sheep & Swine Exhibitor Division:

Three (3) winners in Beef and Sheep, and five (5) winners in Swine will receive a Scholarship and Plaque from the IFAA Sale of Champions/Winner’s Circle and the following sponsors:


$1,000 1st Place Premier FFA Beef Exhibitor
$ 500 2nd Place Premier FFA Beef Exhibitor
$ 250 3rd Place Premier FFA Beef Exhibitor


$1,000 1st Place Premier FFA Sheep Exhibitor
$ 500 2nd Place Premier FFA Sheep Exhibitor
$ 250 3rd Place Premier FFA Sheep Exhibitor


$1,000 1st Place Premier FFA Swine Exhibitor
$ 500 2nd Place Premier FFA Swine Exhibitor
$ 500 3rd Place Premier FFA Swine Exhibitor
$ 300 4th Place Premier FFA Swine Exhibitor
$ 200 5th Place Premier FFA Swine Exhibitor
Sale of Champions

The Sale of Champions is sponsored by the Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Advancement and held on Saturday, August 17th. The Grand Champion 4-H Market Steer, Reserve Champion 4-H Market Steer, Grand Champion 4-H Market Heifer, Reserve Champion 4-H Market Heifer, Grand Champion 4-H Market Hog, Reserve Champion 4-H Market Hog, Grand Champion FFA Market Hog, Reserve Champion FFA Market Hog, Grand Champion 4-H Market Lamb, Reserve Champion 4-H Market Lamb, Grand Champion FFA Market Lamb, Reserve Champion FFA Market Lamb, Grand Champion 4-H Broiler Pen, Reserve Champion 4-H Broiler Pen, Grand Champion 4-H Meat Goat and Grand Champion FFA Meat Goat will all sell on Saturday, August 17, 2019, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Cattle Barn Media Center. Buyers must relinquish the champions for carcass data. All animals will be available for viewing at the Iowa State University Meat Lab on August 24th. There will be a portion (25%) of the proceeds from the Sale of Champions deducted from the sale checks. These funds are retained by the Foundation for scholarships.

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