

Iowa FFA Degree

The Iowa FFA Degree is the highest rank that can be conferred upon active members by the Iowa FFA Association. Those to receive the degree will be selected for nomination by the State Committee according to provisions in the Iowa FFA Constitution. Awards will be presented with appropriate ceremony to the successful candidates at the annual Iowa FFA Leadership Conference.

Candidates may be nominated by submitting service and achievement records on official application forms. Applications are to be prepared by the candidate and verified by the chapter advisor and executive committee.

In any year, all active members who are candidates meeting minimum qualification may be elected to the Iowa FFA Degree (There are not chapter quotas.)

The minimum qualifications for election to the degree are:

- 1. Must have received the Chapter FFA Degree and have been an active FFA member for at least two consecutive years (24 months).*
- 2. While in high school, must be enrolled in at least the third year of instruction in a vocational education course for an agricultural occupation; if out of high school, must have completed the equivalent of two full years of systematic secondary school instruction (360 hours in addition to a supervised agricultural experience program).*
- 3. Have earned and productively invested at least \$1000 net income by his or her own efforts from his or her agricultural experience program, or have worked (other than class scheduled time) at least 300 hours in the case of directed laboratory experience program, or a combination thereof.*
- 4. Demonstrate leadership ability by:*
 - Performing ten parliamentary procedure activities as specified in the "Mastering Parliamentary Procedure" booklet*
 - Giving a five-minute speech.*
 - Leading 30-minute group discussion*
 - Serving as an officer and/or committee chairperson or a participating member of a major committee.*
- 5. Have a satisfactory scholastic record, certified by the local superintendent or principal.*

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6. *Participate in the planning and completion of Chapter Program Activities.*

7. *Participate in five (5) separate FFA Activities above the chapter level listing an activity only once. These are to be officially sponsored FFA activities as listed on pages 108-1211 of this booklet. (Be careful to include only those activities specified for approval.)*

8. *Be familiar with the provisions of the constitution of the Iowa Association and the National Organization.*

9. *Must have participated in an outstanding way in activities for community improvement and the development of agriculture.*