



Virginia FFA 2009 State Convention “Same Traditions, New Ambitions”

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Virginia FFA Association State Event Winners – Prepared Public Speaking

Blacksburg, Virginia -- Winners of the State FFA Prepared Public Speaking Career Development Event were announced June 23, 2009 at the 83rd Virginia FFA State Convention held in Blacksburg, Virginia.

Britany Bowman of the North Fork FFA placed first in the Virginia FFA Junior Prepared Public Speaking CDE. **Ashley Light of the Carroll County Intermediate FFA** placed second. Bowman received a plaque sponsored by the endowment for Gary Monroe and a state plaque in honor of Dr. James and Barbara Clouse.

Top Individuals

- 1st Place- Britany Bowman of the North Fork FFA
- 2nd Place- Ashley Light of the Carroll County Intermediate FFA
- 3rd Place- Victoria Gray of the Magna Vista FFA

CDEs focus on student success. Career opportunities abound within today's agribusiness and agriscience industries. The key to achievement lies in the ability to think critically, communicate clearly and perform effectively. The Prepared Public Speaking CDE requires students to become confident in their public speaking abilities and research various agricultural topics to write and present an informative speech.

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FFA is a national youth organization of 500,823 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,385 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The Virginia FFA Association has over 10,800 members in 189 chapters. FFA strives 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. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.

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