

Indiana Young Farmers' Association

Official Application for Star Leadership

DESCRIPTION

To recognize IYFA members who have demonstrated exemplary leadership to others through service in their community and beyond. This individual should display leadership in IYFA activities and community organizations.

RULES OF THE AWARD

1. The Indiana Star Leadership Award will be presented annually during the state convention of the Indiana Young Farmers' Association. Candidates may apply for only one of the following award applications in the same year: Star Leadership, Star Placement in Agriculture, Star Operation in Agriculture, or Star Improvement Project. Candidates must be present at the convention to receive the award.
2. All applicants must have paid state dues by December 1, had one year membership immediately preceding nomination for this award, and must be an active member during the year in which the application is made. There will be a points reduction assessed if this criteria is not met.
3. Notification will be made with a chapter official to verify qualifications of the applicant.
4. The judging committee will be selected by the Executive Director of the Indiana Young Farmers' Association. The judges will select a winner and runner-up from eligible applicants.
5. No applicant may receive the first place state award in this activity more than once every two years.
6. This application is limited to the previous three years of Young Farmer membership.
7. This application should be emailed to indianayoungfarmers@gmail.com or mailed to: Indiana Young Farmers' Association, P.O. Box 136, Brownstown, IN 47220 by or postmarked by January 1.

Scoring Area	Maximum Points
1. Resume	50
a. Contact Information	
b. Education	
c. Employment Information	
d. IYFA Service	
e. Non-IYFA Service, Ag-based Service	
f. Non-IYFA, Non-ag Service	
g. Awards & Recognition	
2. Questionnaire	15
3. Letters of Recommendation	20
a. Share nature of relationship	
b. Share project(s) work and leadership witnessed	
c. Impact on the organization	
4. Photos with Captions	15
Total	100

Please include the following information with your application:

1. Resume slides
2. Answer the following questions:
 - a. Share your goals with us including the following areas
 - i. What are your short term goals?
 - ii. What are your long term goals?
 - iii. How does being involved in IYFA help you achieve these goals?
 - iv. Share timeline for goals.
 - b. What is your most rewarding leadership experience?
 - i. When did it happen?
 - ii. Share the impact that experience has had on your life.
 - iii. How can that experience be replicated in other areas?
3. Provide two letters of recommendations.
 - a. Can be from anyone your have served/worked with.
 - b. Letter should be no longer than one page in length.
 - i. Share specific working relationship.
 - ii. Share leadership skills evident in the task at hand.
4. Photos and Captions
 - a. Include at least 8 photos.
 - b. Include two sentence captions with each photo.