

FCFB PRESENTS AT PRECISION AG DAY

On Sept. 9, 2025, Outreach Coordinator Hanna Jenkins and Regional Manager Holly Merritt attended the 2025 NE IA Precision Ag and Animal Science Day. They presented to over 100 High school students what Farm Bureau is and how they develop policy. They presented to

students from schools all over the area including Charles City, Nashua Plainfield, Osage, etc. In the session, students discussed what an issue is and listed their top agricultural issues. They then broke out into small groups and talked about their issues and each group surface their

top two issues. The whole group then read over the issues and voted for which ones they agreed with. This models what we do in Farm Bureau to develop policy. If you have an issue that you want to surface, you can go to www.iowafarmbureau.com/IssueSurfacing/submit.

CHARLES CITY FFA HOSTS FARM TO HOMECOMING EVENT

On Sunday, Sept. 14, the Charles City FFA hosted a build-your-own baked potato bar with ingredients sourced from local farms and businesses. The meal, catered by Ginger's Top Shelf, highlighted a special barbecue sauce created just for the occasion: "Comet Sauce." Locally grown produce, including potatoes donated by Twisted River Farms and products from Iowa Food Hub, Child's Family Farms, Tudor's Honey, Pav's Bee Happy Honey, and more, showcased the flavors of Floyd County and surrounding areas.

Local dessert vendors were also on-site, including Mutch Oven, adding a sweet finish to the meal.

The Farm-to-Homecoming

event was a free-will donation and open to the public while supplies lasted. Proceeds supported the Charles City FFA and their continued efforts to connect students and the community with local agriculture.

FFA Advisor Michelle Dohlman shared, "We wanted this to be an enriching experience for all in attendance, and we wanted to showcase local producers while providing a flavorful meal with some new recipe ideas."

Healthy Harvest of North Iowa (HHNI) assisted with procurement and planning for the event. HHNI is a nonprofit dedicated to building a thriving network for locally produced foods across North Iowa. The organization worked to

connect farmers, businesses, and consumers through education, marketing, and resources, ensuring more local food ended up on local tables.

"This event was a perfect opportunity for schools to discover how to tap into the expansive local food network across our region and state and for our communities to taste the local difference," said Mallory DeVries of Healthy Harvest of North Iowa.

This community celebration was made possible through the generous support of sponsors, including Klobberdanz Insurance, Daniel's Auto Collision, Mike Molstead Motors, Charles City Comet Booster Club, and Floyd County Farm Bureau: Jay Jung.



Members listening to District Director Andy Hill.

FCFB HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

On Sept. 7, 2025, the Floyd County Farm Bureau held their 108th Annual Meeting. It was held at the Sew That Barn in Charles City. It started with a call to order, and the introduction of the board. The board gave a review of the activities that they have done throughout the year. They highlighted Ag in the Classroom, Floyd County Fair, and Policy Development. Then we heard from

District Director, Andy Hill. He spoke on what rights we have as property owners. He also spoke about hydrogen exploration, artificial intelligence, and new technologies. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Members then enjoyed a meal of steak sandwiches, parmesan potatoes, green beans, and cookies. It was a fun time had by all, and we hope to see you next year at our 109th meeting!

2025 TRANSPORTATION RULES WEBINAR

In anticipation of harvest, farmers need the latest information on regulations and exemptions that apply to them as they transport their crops. IFBF is hosting a webinar on Monday, Sept. 29, 2025 at 1 p.m. Webinar participants will receive valuable information regarding registrations and licensing of farm vehicles, pre-trip inspections, vehicle weight, and much more. Join the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation as we host Trooper Jay Kirkpatrick with the Iowa State Patrol Commercial Motor Vehicles Unit for this unique opportunity to learn, ask questions, and stay safe

on the roads during this year's harvest season and beyond. To access the webinar go to www.iowa-farmbureau.com/events.

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Tuesday, noon
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