

# JOIN US

Four two-day sessions held in central Iowa January through March, and one in the summer. Sessions begin with lunch on Friday and adjourn mid-afternoon on Saturday. Participants are expected to attend all sessions from beginning to adjournment, including evening events. Virtual attendance is reserved for participants who have been exposed or test positive for COVID-19, who have a mandated quarantine or other health issues outside of their control. Each participant must attend a minimum of four core sessions to be eligible for the Washington D.C. trip.

## Schedule of 2021 Sessions

**Session 1** - January 22 - 23

**Session 2** - February 12 - 13  
Spouses invited if COVID restrictions lifted

**Session 3** - February 26 - 27

**Session 4** - March 19 - 20

**Summer Session**  
August date TBD by class  
Families invited if COVID restrictions lifted

**Washington, DC Trip** - September 13 - 17

**Graduation** - December 7 - 8  
IFBF Annual Meeting, Des Moines

## APPLY NOW!

To register visit [iowafarmbureau.com/AgLeadersInstitute](https://www.iowafarmbureau.com/AgLeadersInstitute) to fill out the online application. The deadline to apply is Dec. 11.



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# 2021 AG LEADERS INSTITUTE

JOIN THE GROWING RANKS OF AG LEADER GRADUATES  
- FARMERS WHO MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE!





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You are the **People, Progress** and **Pride** of Iowa. Agriculture is critical to Iowa's future. By helping farm families prosper and improving their quality of life, the Iowa Farm Bureau is at the center of agriculture - and you are the heart of it.



**People.** You can make a difference and ensure that Iowa's bond with agriculture continues to flourish through the Iowa Farm Bureau Ag Leaders Institute. This program will help you build a network with other leaders, and meet current Farm Bureau leaders and staff who support you in your efforts.



Ag Leaders Institute helped me grow as an individual. It has changed me from shying away to seeking opportunities where I can use my voice for Iowa agriculture.  
- Emily Carroll, Louisa County

**Progress.** While each Iowan's individual efforts are important, when we work together, amazing things happen for Iowa. Farm Bureau shows this every day as we speak out for Iowa farmers and their families. We need leaders like you to continue our progress.

*"The Ag Leader classes are a great way to develop and improve on the skills needed to be great leaders of tomorrow. An added bonus is meeting and working alongside some great people from across the state."* - Chris Ten Napel, Sioux County



**Pride.** The Iowa Farm Bureau is proud to support our members and our state through innovative programs like the Ag Leaders Institute. The institute will teach you how to stand up and speak out, address issues and create change. You will be proud when you see your hard work pay off as you help keep your community, operation, family, church - and Farm Bureau organization - strong.



*If we don't help the world know what it is we do, we will not only be giving ourselves a disservice but also the future of agriculture. It starts here.*  
- Kristin Plate, Mahaska County

# WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

## Looking for Leaders

The Ag Leaders Institute is for Farm Bureau members who have the potential for providing exceptional leadership in their county, community and state.

It's for people who care about the future of agriculture, and want to make a positive impact.

The institute is open to men and women of all ages. Farm Bureau members who have been nominated by their county are encouraged to apply.

Twenty-five individuals will participate, with one leader selected from each region and eight selected at-large.

*Applications are due December 11, 2020. A selection committee will then review applications. Participants who are selected will be notified by Dec. 31.*

## Costs

The Farm Bureau Ag Leaders Institute is valued at \$3,000 per participant.

- The Iowa Farm Bureau will support the majority of the institute, including hotel stays and meals for in-state sessions, and airfare, hotel, meals and fees associated with the Washington, D.C. trip
- Your county Farm Bureau will make an additional \$200 investment
- You will invest your time and energy, and make a commitment to attend all sessions

## Session Topics

As a member of the Farm Bureau Ag Leaders Institute, you will take part in a series of dynamic, interactive sessions that provide:

- The latest information and insights on issues important to agriculture
- Practice in developing the leadership skills needed to deal with critical issues
- Interaction with current Farm Bureau leaders and staff
- Participant networking and interaction