



Young Farmer Leadership Award In Honor of Bob Joslin 2026 Nomination



The legacy of past Iowa Farm Bureau President, Bob Joslin lives on by recognizing young farmers who demonstrate outstanding leadership. This award is an opportunity for young farmers who are actively contributing and growing through their involvement in Farm Bureau and agriculture to earn recognition.

Eligibility Requirements: Must be a leader actively engaged in agriculture, 35 years of age or younger as of July 1, 2026, and a regular member in good standing with your county Farm Bureau. Current Young Farmer Advisory Committee members and county/state Farm Bureau employees are not eligible.

Nomination Requirements: County Farm Bureaus nominate deserving young leaders with the support of their county president. Nominated individuals must complete the application form. Applications will be evaluated based on leadership experience and involvement in Farm Bureau, their community, and other agricultural organizations. **Nominations are due April 10, 2026.**

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COUNTY FARM BUREAU:

Nominee Name _____

Nominated by _____ County Farm Bureau

County President's Name _____
If the President is being nominated, the Voting Delegate or Vice President should nominate instead.

☐ **Confirmation:** The county representative listed above has reviewed and approved of this nomination. *This confirmation is in replacement of any previous requirement for a written signature, formal letter, or e-mail from the county Farm Bureau president.*

The nominee should complete the information on pages 2 through 5.

Return via e-mail or mail by 11:59pm CT Friday, April 10, 2026 to:

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The judges' selections will be communicated with the nominees, Regional Managers, and County Farm Bureaus by mid-May.



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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE NOMINEE:

Name _____

Address _____
(route/street) (town) (zip)

E-mail _____ Cell _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____
Must be 35 years of age or younger as of July 1, 2026 (Born on or after 07/02/1990).

Joined Farm Bureau (YYYY) _____
Must be a regular member in good standing with your County Farm Bureau.

Briefly describe your farm operation (e.g., business partners, crops, livestock):

If applicable, briefly describe other occupation:

1. List **ALL** your participation in **Farm Bureau** activities, leadership roles, and specific achievements.

2. List **ALL** your participation in **other agricultural** activities, leadership roles, and specific achievements.

3. List **ALL** your participation in **community and non-agricultural** activities, leadership roles and specific achievements.

4. What **goals** do you have for the next five years related to your career, Farm Bureau involvement, and involvement in other organizations? What steps have you taken to reach these goals?
5. What do you think will be the three most **important issues impacting young farmers** in the next five years? First, explain. Then, choose one of these issues and describe how you personally have addressed, or can address, that issue and work towards a resolution

If needed, please use the space below for additional information. Indicate which question the additional information refers to.