

# 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 the 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 October 1, attended three active chapter meetings during the year, 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 in five years.
6. This application is limited to the previous three years of Young Farmer membership.
7. The application should be mailed to: Indiana Young Farmers' Association, Executive Director, Room 229, State House, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2798 by postmark date of November 30.

### Scoring Area

### Maximum Points

<b>1. Resume</b>	<b>50</b>
Contact Information	
Education	
Employment Information	
IYFA Service	
Non-IYFA, Ag-based Service	
Non-IYFA, Non-ag Service	
Awards & Recognition	
<b>2. Questionnaire</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>3. Letters of Recommendation</b>	<b>20</b>
Share nature of relationship	
Share project(s) work and leadership witnessed	
Impact on the organization	
<b>4. Photos</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>100</u></b>

## **Please include the following information with your application.**

- 1. Attach a two page resume with the following information included:**
  - a. Contact information
  - b. Education
  - c. Employment Information
  - d. IYFA Service
  - e. Non-IYFA, Ag-based Service
  - f. Non-IYFA, Non-ag Service
  - g. Awards & Recognition
  
- 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 timelines 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 with your application.**
  - a. Can be from anyone you 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 (can be digital)
  - b. Include two sentence captions with each photo