

## Indiana FFA recognizes Distinguished Service Award Recipient

One member of the agriculture education community was named for exceptional service to Indiana FFA.

West Lafayette, IN (June 19, 2024) – Indiana FFA recognized one person for their dedication to agriculture education and FFA at the 95<sup>th</sup> Indiana FFA State Convention on Wednesday. Blair Orme was recognized.

Blair Orme has spent the past 35 years as an agricultural teacher at Rushville. Over his time there, he has built their FFA program from the ground up. He was able to diversify his program in order to incorporate both traditional and non-traditional agriculture students. He has served as the District IX Advisor for many years. While in this role, he has mentored countless district officers, and he ensured that the district contest always ran smoothly for both advisors and members. He has received more than five Indiana Student-Teacher Recognition, ISTAR, awards after being nominated by some of his students for being impactful in the classroom. Students that have gone through the Rushville agriculture program, have experienced abundant success, including seven state officers, five students becoming ag teachers, and three State Stars in agriculture.



The Distinguished Service Award is to recognize those who have received their Honorary Degree and have continued to provide exceptional service on a state and national level to agriculture, agricultural education, or FFA.

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