**News Release**

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Local FFA Member Recognized as State Star Farmer

**Raleigh, NC** – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ FFA Chapter was recognized as the State Star Farmer during the 83rd North Carolina FFA State Convention which was held at the Raleigh Convention Center, June 21-23, 2011. His/her advisor is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The North Carolina FFA Association State Star awards are designed to recognize outstanding FFA members who have earned their State FFA Degree and excelled in their Supervised Agricultural Experience projects. These awards are given to members who have successfully completed at least three years of agricultural education instruction, earned at least $1,000 or worked in excess of 300 hours, and been actively involved in FFA activities on all levels. The State Star Farmer Award recognizes one member who has successfully owned and operated their own production agriculture enterprise. The application requires the member to submit extensive information regarding their production and financial records. Only one candidate per year is named the State Star Farmer. The state winner receives cash awards from the National FFA Organization and the North Carolina FFA Foundation as well as a plaque.

The North Carolina FFA is a youth organization of over 17,400 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with nearly 250 local chapters across the state. FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success** through agricultural education. Visit www.ncffa.org for more information.

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