

# Press Release

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## Midland Valley FFA Chapter Receives National Recognition



GRANITEVILLE, SC ..... The National FFA Organization recently selected from a pool of more than 600 candidates nationwide the Midland Valley High School FFA Chapter of Graniteville, S.C., as a 3-star winner in the National FFA Chapter Award program. The chapter members have been invited to attend the 82nd National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, October

20-23, 2010, where they will be recognized for this honor.

The award program is a special project of the National FFA Foundation. The National FFA Chapter Award program recognizes FFA chapters for developing and conducting a detailed Program of Activities (POA). Each activity provides opportunities for members to excel in one of three areas: student, chapter, or community development. Every year, chapters are recognized as having earned a one-, two- or three-star rating on their application. The three-star rating is the highest level of accomplishment a chapter may achieve.

The National FFA Organization, formerly known as the Future Farmers of America, is a national youth organization of 507,763 student members – all preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture – as part of 7,439 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The National FFA Organization changed to its present name in 1988, in recognition of the growth and diversity of agriculture and agricultural education. The FFA mission is to make a positive

difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success** through agricultural education.

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