**PURPOSE OF THE VIP CITATION**The Idaho FFA Association relies on the support of exceptional individuals to provide life-changing experiences for its members at or above the state level. Each year, those who have made outstanding contributions to FFA, for more than 15 years, are honored with the VIP Citation. Nominations are to be completed by the end of the calendar year annually and reviewed by the Idaho FFA Board of Directors at the Mid-Winter Meeting.

REQUIREMENTS/LIMITATIONS from Delegates 2023:

Nominees must have contributed 15 years of unobligated service, excludes advisors.

**NUMBER OF AWARDEES**
In order to maintain the prestige of the recognition, the VIP Citation award be limited to 1 recipient annually. It is not required to have a recipient each year.

Individuals nominated for the VIP Citation should have a state-wide impact. This should be indicated in the nomination form. This impact/involvement will vary greatly from candidate to candidate but not overlooked in the application.

**GUIDELINES TO ASSIST IN COMPLETING THE APPLICATION**
Below are guidelines to assist in completing the essay portion of the nomination form:

**Written Essay Recommendations:**
Essay prompt: List and describe major contributions the nominee has made on a state level to advance
agricultural education and FFA.

**Recommendations to be included in response:**

Describe the specific impacts (service and/or role in advancing the organization) this individual has made on a state level directly affecting the Idaho FFA Association.

Examples, but not limited to:

* + - Individual has served on a state FFA committee, board, or as CDE/LDE leadership.
		- Individual has volunteered countless hours to the Idaho FFA Association.
		- Individual has created or implemented new learning experiences for the benefit of the Idaho FFA Association, its members, advisors, and/or staff.
		- Describe the specific contributions (financial and/or in-kind) this individual may have made on a state level to the Idaho FFA Association.

 Describe the substantial financial or in-kind contributions to the Idaho FFA Foundation.

Examples, but not limited to:

* + - Individual has helped secure multi-year financial commitments.
		- In-kind support, including mentorship, communication and marketing support.
		- Describe contributions made to agricultural education related organizations (i.e., IATA, CTEI, Idaho FFA Board of Directors, Idaho FFA Foundation, Idaho FFA Alumni, etc.,) that have had a direct impact to the Idaho FFA Association.

 Describe how the individual has made a statewide impact on Idaho FFA by supporting

 Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource Education and associated programs.

* + - Individual has participated in state initiatives, such as Teach Ag Campaign, support of IATA, CTEI, Idaho FFA Board of Directors, Idaho FFA Foundation, Idaho FFA Alumni, Career Success Tours including financial, in-kind, and/or volunteerism.

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| ***Person Making Nomination:*** |  |
| *Contact Info:* | *Phone:* |  | *E-Mail:* |  |
| ***Name of Nominee:*** |  | *Occupation/Affiliation:* |  |
| *Mailing Address:* |  |
| *City, State, Zip Code* |  |
| *Contact Info:* | *Phone:* |   | *E-Mail:* |  |
| List and describe major contributions the nominee has made on a state level to advanceagricultural education and FFA. | *Please* ***type*** *script to be read on stage: 200 words or less (see and pattern this from the sample bios next page)*  |
| ***Approved by Idaho FFA Board of Directors Yes No Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_******Signature of State FFA President: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** |