

Communications, Media and Spokesperson Training

April 23-24 | The Oread, Lawrence, KS

Objectives

Participants will:

- 1. Learn how to identify, organize and project key messages with clarity, confidence and passion.
- 2. Gain skills and practice to help increase comfort levels and effectiveness when talking to various audiences, such as formal presentations, traditional media and social media.
- 3. Hear best practices of media and speaking dos and don'ts.
- 4. Discover how to best handle unexpected and challenging questions.
- 5. Advance their Farm Bureau network of peers and experts in ag communications and advocacy.

TRAINING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 23:

Location: Gathering Room 1 Attire: Business Professional

1:00 p.m.	Welcome, Expectations and Participant Introductions
1:30 p.m.	Delivery of Prepared Speeches on Platform Issue – All Participants
2:45 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m.	Telling Your Story
4:30 p.m.	Presentation Skills
6:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	Preparing Your Message
8:00 p.m.	Homework Review & Adjourn
Evening	Homework & Preparation for Final Presentations – All Participants

Wednesday, April 26:

Location: Gathering Rooms 1, 2 and 3

Attire: Business Professional

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:45 a.m.	Day 1 Recap/Day 2 Prep
8:00 a.m.	Media Training – Johnna Miller, American Farm Bureau
10:20 a.m.	Interview Practice Rounds – Group A Final Press Conference Prep – Group B
11:30 a.m.	Interview Practice Rounds – Group B Final Press Conference Prep – Group A
12:45 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	Final Press Conference Presentations and Q&A – All Participants
2:45 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m.	Social Media – Johnna Miller, American Farm Bureau
4:00 p.m.	Break
4:15 p.m.	Talking Point Lightning Rounds – All Participants
5:45 p.m.	Closing Thoughts
6:30 p.m.	Group Celebration Dinner