

**NEWS RELEASE  
MFE & ALD Conferences  
December 10-11, 2011  
Oklahoma City, OK**

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**Local Students Attending Personal Growth Conference**

Members of the \_\_\_\_\_ FFA chapter will attend the Made For Excellence conference and Advanced Leadership Development conference to be held the weekend of December 10-11, in Oklahoma City. These conferences are sponsored by the Oklahoma FFA Association and provide members the chance to develop and refine skills that will create a lifetime of leadership.

The Made For Excellence (MFE) conference is designed for eighth, ninth and tenth grade FFA members. MFE is designed to meet these students where they are: thinking about plans for the future, understanding themselves, and considering choices ahead. With a thoughtful mix of activities, large and small group interaction, direct instruction and personal reflection, MFE is engaging and meaningful for FFA members.

**Attending the MFE conference will be:**

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The Advanced Leadership Development (ALD) conference is intended for junior and senior FFA members. This conference will develop better leaders that build stronger FFA chapters. ALD introduces FFA members to the concept – leadership is influence, in a real-life and purposeful way. Students will work in small groups to solve challenges, have discussions and plan for success of their local FFA chapter as they learn about team building, problem solving and service to others.

**Attending the ALD conference will be:**

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The Oklahoma FFA Association has 23,552 student members preparing for leadership careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 354 local

chapters throughout the state. FFA strives 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 as a part of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education. For more information, visit [www.okffa.org](http://www.okffa.org).

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