



*"We are met in a spirit of friendship and goodwill as we prepare for careers in a world-class workforce. We work together to develop professionalism and leadership through Business Professionals of America and pledge our loyalty to our nation."*

## **Preview of the 2015 Iowa State Leadership Conference**

This year Iowa BPA's State Leadership Conference will be held from February 22nd-24th. The conference will feature a different schedule from past years. Events begin Sunday after noon. State Officer Elections are Monday morning. Competitive events fill the rest of the day with finals on Tuesday morning. Awards conclude the conference on Tuesday afternoon. Due to this change in schedule, no formal entertainment is planned; however, designated "Chapter Time" is built into the agenda in order to spend time and bond with your fellow chapter members! In addition, on Monday night BPA will offer a free Walking Taco bar for dinner. Get ready to **IMAGINE BELIEVE BECOME** at the State Leadership Conference! Be prepared to compete in many different events and qualify for this year's National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California! State officers hope to see you all there!

### **Winning T-Shirt**

Congratulations to Chris Beas from Waterloo West High School for submitting the winning t-shirt design for this year's state conference! Thank you to all who entered the contest. It was a tough decision. Start designing for next year BPA members!!



### **Winning Trading Pin**

The 2015 trading pin that Iowa will take to National Leadership Conference was designed by Maggie Ganley from Bedford High School! Thank you to all who participated and submitted designs!

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Join more than 5,000 members and advisors at the 2015  
National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California *May 6-10!*

# State Officer Candidates



**Jakob Beggs**  
Bedford High School

Quote: "Speak softly and carry a big stick." -Theodore Roosevelt



**McKenna Brinning**  
Washington High School

Quote: "Do something every day that scares you."



**Madelynn Burn**  
Bedford High School

Quote: "It is impossible to live without failing at something, unless you live so cautiously that you might as well not have lived at all – in which case, you fail by default." -J.K. Rowling



**Andrew Conquest**  
Iowa City West High School

Quote: "All it takes is all you got"



**Ashlynn Dale**  
Iowa City West High School

Quote: "Be the change you want to see in the world"



**Grace Gudenkauf**  
Cedar Rapids Prairie High School

Quote: "Happiness is the only thing in life that truly matters."



**Amra Resic**  
Waterloo West High School

Quote: "Whatever the mind of man can conceive and believe it can achieve" -Napoleon Hill



**Hannah Ritchey**  
Shenandoah High School

Quote: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." -Margaret Mead