

Iowa Cattlemen's Association

## 2019 Young Cattlemen's Leadership Program Application

### **Young Cattlemen's Leadership Program**

The goal of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association Young Cattlemen's Leadership Program (YCLP) is to train future leaders of Iowa's cattle industry. The program is an initial opportunity to be more active in the Iowa Cattlemen's Association, and perhaps you can see yourself in a future leadership role in ICA. YCLP participants are educated on the structure and function of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association, as well as the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Participants undergo training and educational seminars to enhance their communications skills, strengthen their awareness of the legislative process, and diversify their knowledge of the Iowa and U.S. beef cattle industries.

The association covers the cost of meals and hotel accommodations once participants arrive to the session locations; however, members must pay their travel costs. The YCLP is a year-long program open to young cattlemen and women under the age of 40, but over the age of 25, or younger if a college graduate. YCLP members should have a vested interest in the beef cattle industry. While they may be actively engaged in a beef cattle operation, it is not a requirement. Preference is given to applicants who are current members of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association.

### **The Iowa Cattlemen's Association**

The Iowa Cattlemen's Association is a grassroots organization of approximately 10,000 members. The mission of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association is 'Grow Iowa's beef business through advocacy, leadership and education.' Through member input, the Iowa Cattlemen's Association engages with regulations and legislation that can assist or impede Iowa's beef business. ICA also offers a variety of services to its members.

ICA efforts are governed by member leaders and executed by staff. The Iowa Cattlemen's Association is led by an elected board of producer members and industry professionals. Board members attend and promote ICA events – whether educational or policy focused. Board members also play an integral role in implementing the grassroots process by connecting with county leaders and other ICA members. Comprehension of the association's function and engagements are an essential component to being an effective board member and leader of the ICA.

### **Young Cattlemen's Leadership Program Timeline**

The YCLP group will meet six times throughout the year. This program and your relationship with other participants is based on your full participation. However, we're well aware of time demands for those in agriculture. Participants may miss up to two sessions; missing more sessions than that will change your status to participant, rather than graduate, at the end of the year.

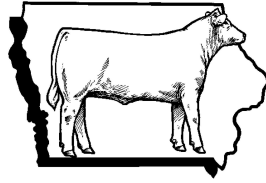
**By signing below as an applicant for the 2018 Young Cattlemen's Leadership program you acknowledge your commitment to the program and ability to miss no more than two sessions.**

***The sessions for the 2019 program are January 9-10, 2019; February 5-6, 2019; May 30-31, 2019; August 1-2, 2019; November 7-8, 2019 and December 5-6, 2019.***

***If you are unable to attend one of the sessions, please list it below.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sessions: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Applications are due November 1, 2018.**

**Please use a separate sheet of paper to elaborate on answers.**

**Name:**

**Address:**

**County:**

**County of ICA membership:**

**City, St. Zip:**

**Email:**

**Cell Phone:**

**Home Phone:**

**Work Phone:**

**Education:**

**Tell us about your cattle operation/experience:**

**Why are you interested in participating in the program?**

**What are your goals and visions of the future of the Iowa cattle industry?**