



Iowa Extension Council Association Board of Directors

Candidate Voting Procedure and Ballot

Below is the ballot for the IECA Board of Directors. You may vote for one person to represent your administrative region on the association board for a 3-year term. Any person who is a current Extension Council member in your region is eligible to serve on the Board of Directors. If you wish to vote for a Council member not listed, please write his or her name in the space provided. Place an (X) or (✓) in the box beside the candidate you are voting for.

Once you have completed your ballot, please return it, postmarked by **May 10** to:
IECA
611 Roosevelt St.
Lisbon, IA 52253

Region 19:

Place an (X) or (✓) in the box beside the candidate you are voting for.
You may vote for 1 candidate.

Amy Eden (Van Buren County)

(Name)

(County)

Write-in candidate

Ballots postmarked after May 10 or not marked correctly will not be valid.

Please sign your name and county below (*for verification only – names will not be associated with your response*).

(Name)

(County)

Candidate Profile

Amy Eden Ryan

Van Buren County

Number of Years on Extension Council: 5

1. Why are you interested in serving on the Iowa Extension Council Association's Board of Directors?

I am interested in serving on the IECA Board of Directors to represent and bring a voice from my county and region, by applying my experience from serving on the Van Buren County Extension Council and years as a 4H member.

2. What contributions do you feel you could make to this association?

Some of my favorite childhood memories come from the Van Buren County fair. I feel I bring a unique perspective from having been an active 4H member that had great learning experiences, friendships and memories made at the fair. My goal is to help provide current and future generations the opportunity for those same great experiences.

Much of what I learned growing up on the farm, raising livestock and preparing projects for the fair, I apply in my everyday life. I am passionate about 4H and the various programming that Extension provides to the public. I am especially passionate about programming that focuses on women in agriculture, growing the future generations of agriculture and placing our youth in a position that helps grow future leaders and becoming advocates of local rural communities.

3. What types of experiences you have had on your extension council?

2019 began my second term with the Van Buren County Extension Council, serving as Vice-Chair. I have experience working on each of our council committees. In addition to serving on the Extension Council, I am also co-Superintendent of the horse program for Van Buren County 4H.

Growing up, I was a Van Buren County 4Her, completing 10 years of membership with the Jolly Trio 4H club. I exhibited cattle, sheep, horses and many static exhibits (photography, cooking, sewing, etc).

4. Please tell us briefly about yourself.

I work full time in the financial services industry as Senior Consultant with the Succession and Acquisition Solutions at Cambridge Investment Research in Fairfield, IA. In my role, I help financial advisors structure their continuity and succession plans by valuing their businesses and developing a plan to pass their businesses on to the next generation of financial advisors.

I call rural Hillsboro, IA home. When I'm not at the office, I help run my family's farming operation (cow/calf beef cattle operation and raise corn, soybeans and hay) in Bonaparte and Hillsboro. I also own and operate a small retail gift and floral business, Eden Inspired, in Bonaparte, IA that is open on weekends. In my free time, I enjoy riding horses, hiking, traveling and spending time with family and friends.