

## **IHSSA Large Group Critics Choice History**

1981:

ONE ACT PLAY: North Fayette, West Union

READERS THEATRE: Fort Dodge

CHORAL READING: LeMars Community

DUET ACTING: Maurice-Orange City

GROUP MIME: Sibley

SOLO MIME: Irwin

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Fort Dodge

1982:

ONE ACT PLAY: LeMars Community

READERS THEATRE: Greene

CHORAL READING: United Comm., Boone

DUET ACTING: Hempstead, Dubuque

GROUP MIME: Dysart-Geneseo

SOLO MIME: Ames

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Sibley

1983:

ONE ACT PLAY: LeMars Community

READERS THEATRE: Greene

CHORAL READING: Danville

DUET ACTING: Hempstead, Dubuque

GROUP MIME: Spencer

SOLO MIME: Hempstead, Dubuque

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Danville

1984:

ONE ACT PLAY: Benton Comm. Van Horne

READERS THEATRE: Creston

CHORAL READING: T.J., Council Bluffs

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior

GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior

SOLO MIME: Dubuque Senior  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

1985:

ONE ACT PLAY: West, Iowa City  
READERS THEATRE: Keokuk  
CHORAL READING: Decorah  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Fort Dodge  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: LeMars Community  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1986:

ONE ACT PLAY: LeMars Community  
READERS THEATRE: Dubuque Senior  
CHORAL READING: United Comm., Boone  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Ames  
GROUP MIME: LeMars Community  
SOLO MIME: Decorah  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1987:

ONE ACT PLAY: North Scott, Eldridge  
READERS THEATRE: Glenwood  
CHORAL READING: North Fayette, West Union  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: Dubuque Senior  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Regis, C.R.  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1988:

ONE ACT PLAY: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield  
READERS THEATRE: Decorah  
CHORAL READING: Danville

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Ankeny  
GROUP MIME: T.J., Council Bluffs  
SOLO MIME: Hoover, Des Moines  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Dubuque Senior  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1989:

ONE ACT PLAY: Cascade  
READERS THEATRE: Glenwood  
CHORAL READING: Bishop Heelan, Sioux City  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Hoover, Des Moines  
GROUP MIME: T. J, Council Bluffs  
SOLO MIME: Hoover, Des Moines  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Dubuque Senior  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: T.J., Council Bluffs

1990:

ONE ACT PLAY: Columbus, Waterloo  
READERS THEATRE: T.J., Council Bluffs  
CHORAL READING: Bishop Heelan ,Sioux City  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: WDM Valley  
GROUP MIME: Prairie City/ Monroe  
SOLO MIME: BCL-UW, Conrad  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Bishop Heelan, SC  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1991:

ONE ACT PLAY: T.J. , Council Bluffs  
READERS THEATRE: Greene Community  
CHORAL READING: North Fayette,West Union  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: MOC/Floyd Valley  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: T.J., Council Bluffs  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Bishop Heelan, SC  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Monticello

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: T.J., Council Bluffs

1992:

ONE ACT PLAY: WDM Valley

READERS THEATRE: Dubuque Senior

CHORAL READING: Danville

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Eastwood, Correctionville

GROUP MIME: Spencer

SOLO MIME: Danville

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Jefferson, C.R.

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Grinnell

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: LeMars Community

1993:

ONE ACT PLAY: Cascade

READERS THEATRE: Glenwood Sr.

CHORAL READING: T.J., Council Bluffs

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Spencer

GROUP MIME: WDM Valley

SOLO MIME: Hoover, Des Moines

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Adel-DeSoto

GROUP IMPROVISATION: WDM Valley

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKE LeMars Community

1994:

ONE ACT PLAY: Clarinda

READERS THEATRE: Creston

CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Fort Dodge

GROUP MIME: Danville

SOLO MIME: North Linn, Coggon

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Creston  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Dubuque Senior  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Fort Dodge

1995:

ONE ACT PLAY: Jefferson, Cedar Rapids  
READERS THEATRE: Coon Rapids-Bayard  
CHORAL READING: Bishop Heelan, Sioux City  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Marshalltown  
GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield  
SOLO MIME: Fort Dodge  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Starmont  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Okoboji  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Danville

1996:

ONE ACT PLAY: Fort Dodge  
READERS THEATRE: Cascade, Sr.  
CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Roosevelt, Des Moines  
GROUP MIME: Danville  
SOLO MIME: River Valley , Correctionville  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Maquoketa Valley  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Hampton-Dumont  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Fort Dodge

1997:

ONE ACT PLAY: Sioux City East  
READERS THEATRE: River Valley, Correctionville  
CHORAL READING: Clinton  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Regis-LaSalle, C.R.  
GROUP MIME: A.L., Council Bluffs  
SOLO MIME: Decorah  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Creston  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Monticello

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Spencer

1998:

ONE ACT PLAY: South Winneshiek

READERS THEATRE: Bishop Heelan, Sioux City

CHORAL READING: Laurens-Marathon

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Grinnell

GROUP MIME: Armstrong-Ringsted

SOLO MIME: Centerville

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Sioux City East

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Regis-LaSalle, C.R.

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Maharishi Upper

1999:

ONE ACT PLAY: Clarinda

READERS THEATRE: Spencer

CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Waterloo West

GROUP MIME: Hoover, Des Moines

SOLO MIME: Carroll

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Keokuk

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Shenandoah

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Spencer

2000:

ONE ACT PLAY: Hudson

READERS THEATRE: Decorah

CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Ankeny

GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

SOLO MIME: A.L., Council Bluffs

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Garnavillo

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Farragut

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Hoover, Des Moines

2001:

ONE ACT PLAY: WDM Valley

READERS THEATRE: Clinton

CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Jefferson-Scranton

GROUP MIME: Farragut

SOLO MIME: LeMars Community

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Carroll

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Sioux Center

MUSICAL THEATRE: Waterloo West

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2002:

ONE ACT PLAY: Clarinda

READERS THEATRE: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

CHORAL READING: WDM Valley

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Northern Univ. Price Lab

GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

SOLO MIME: Cascade

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Farragut

MUSICAL THEATRE: Waterloo West

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Decorah

2003:

ONE ACT PLAY: Charles City

READERS THEATRE: Decorah

CHORAL READING: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Fort Dodge

GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

SOLO MIME: Cascade

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Newell-Fonda

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Nashua-Plainfield

MUSICAL THEATRE: Waterloo West

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Maharishi Upper

2004:

ONE ACT PLAY: Iowa City West

READERS THEATRE: Woodbine

CHORAL READING: Sioux City East

ENSEMBLE ACTING: South Winneshiek

GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper, Fairfield

SOLO MIME: Vinton-Shellsburg

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: WDM Valley

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Glenwood

MUSICAL THEATRE: Union, LaPorte City

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2005:

ONE ACT PLAY: Forest City

READERS THEATRE: Grinnell

CHORAL READING: Laurens-Marathon

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Union, LaPorte City

GROUP MIME: WDM Valley

SOLO MIME: Dubuque Senior

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Lincoln, Des Moines

MUSICAL THEATRE: Union, La Porte City

RADIO BROADCASTING Maharishi Upper

COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Decorah

2006:

ONE ACT PLAY: Fairfield

READERS THEATRE: Hoover, Des Moines

CHORAL READING: MOC-Floyd Valley

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior

GROUP MIME: WDM Valley

SOLO MIME: WDM Valley

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell



GROUP IMPROVISATION: Fairfield  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Waterloo West  
RADIO BROADCASTING George-Little Rock  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2007:

ONE ACT PLAY: Hoover, Des Moines  
READERS THEATRE: Hoover, Des Moines  
CHORAL READING: WDM Valley  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: CR Washington  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: Hoover, Des Moines  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Mount Vernon  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Union, La Porte City  
RADIO BROADCASTING West Delaware  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2008:

ONE ACT PLAY: Woodward-Granger  
READERS THEATRE: Dubuque Hempstead  
CHORAL READING: Fairfield  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: Maharishi Upper  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Dubuque Hempstead  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Sioux City East  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Bedford  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2009:

ONE ACT PLAY: Clarinda  
READERS THEATRE: Spalding Catholic  
CHORAL READING: Alta

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: Maharishi Upper  
SOLO MIME: Sioux City East  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Grinnell  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Lake Mills  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Sheldon  
RADIO BROADCASTING: West Delaware  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2010:

ONE ACT PLAY: Pella Christian  
READERS THEATRE: Dubuque Senior  
CHORAL READING: Danville  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: North Scott  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: Maharishi Upper  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: WDM Valley  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Bondurant-Farrar  
MUSICAL THEATRE: DSM Roosevelt  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Kuemper Catholic  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2011:

ONE ACT PLAY: Dubuque Senior  
READERS THEATRE: ADM, Adel  
CHORAL READING: WDM Valley  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: Rockwell City/Lytton  
SOLO MIME: CR Washington  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Decorah  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: CR Kennedy  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Waterloo West  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Forest City  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2012:

ONE ACT PLAY: IC Regina  
READERS THEATRE: Lewis Central  
CHORAL READING: Earlham  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: MOC-Floyd Valley  
GROUP MIME: West Delaware  
SOLO MIME: Fairfield  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Forest City  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: CR Kennedy  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Boone  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Kee, Lansing  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2013:

ONE ACT PLAY: Dubuque Senior  
READERS THEATRE: CR Kennedy  
CHORAL READING: Waterloo West  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: CR Kennedy  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: Sibley-Ocheyedan  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Carroll  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: CR Washington  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Ballard  
RADIO BROADCASTING: East Marshall  
SHORT FILM: Ankeny  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2014:

ONE ACT PLAY: Algona  
READERS THEATRE: CR Kennedy  
CHORAL READING: Sioux City East  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior 9th  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: Sioux City East  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Carroll

GROUP IMPROVISATION: WDM Valley  
MUSICAL THEATRE: WDM Valley  
RADIO BROADCASTING: WDM Valley  
SHORT FILM: South Tama  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2015:

ONE ACT PLAY: WDM Valley  
READERS THEATRE: WDM Valley  
CHORAL READING: Sheldon  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Decorah  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: WDM Valley  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: WDM Valley  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: WDM Valley  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Dubuque Senior  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Dubuque Senior  
SHORT FILM: Decorah 9th  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2016:

ONE ACT PLAY: Dubuque Senior  
READERS THEATRE: South Winneshiek  
CHORAL READING: Montezuma  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: WDM Valley  
SOLO MIME: Dubuque Senior  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: George-Little Rock  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Cedar Rapids Kennedy  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Maharishi Upper  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Sioux City East  
SHORT FILM: Des Moines East  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2017:

ONE ACT PLAY: WDM Valley  
READERS THEATRE: Akron-Westfield  
CHORAL READING: WDM Valley  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Grinnell  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: WDM Valley  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Decorah  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Waterloo West  
MUSICAL THEATRE: WDM Valley  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Dubuque Senior  
SHORT FILM: Decorah  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2018:

ONE ACT PLAY: Siouxland Christian  
READERS THEATRE: Bondurant-Farrar  
CHORAL READING: Sioux City East  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dallas-Center Grimes 9th  
GROUP MIME: Waukee  
SOLO MIME: WDM Valley  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Decorah  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Waterloo West  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Spencer  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Dubuque Senior  
SHORT FILM: Des Moines Hoover  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2019:

ONE ACT PLAY: Siouxland Christian  
READERS THEATRE: Cedar Rapids Kennedy  
CHORAL READING: Creston  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior  
GROUP MIME: Dubuque Senior  
SOLO MIME: Sumner-Fredericksburg  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Postvillie

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Woodbury Central  
MUSICAL THEATRE: Des Moines Roosevelt  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Lewis Central  
SHORT FILM: Siouxland Christian  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2020:

ONE ACT PLAY: Clarinda  
READERS THEATRE: Pella Christain  
CHORAL READING: Siouxland Christian  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Siouxland Christian  
GROUP MIME: Fairfield  
SOLO MIME: WDM Valley  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Cherokee  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Carroll  
MUSICAL THEATRE: WDM Valley  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Lewis Central  
SHORT FILM: Des Moines Roosevelt  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2021: No Festival due to Covid

2022:

ONE ACT PLAY: Siouxland Christian  
READERS THEATRE: Manson Northwest Webster  
CHORAL READING: Dubuque Senior  
ENSEMBLE ACTING: Mount Vernon  
GROUP MIME: Grinnell  
SOLO MIME: Cedar Rapids Washington  
TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: Decorah  
GROUP IMPROVISATION: Spirit Lake  
MUSICAL THEATRE: ACGC  
RADIO BROADCASTING: Decorah  
SHORT FILM: IKM-Manning  
COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: WDM Valley

2023:

ONE ACT PLAY: Cedar Rapids Washington

READERS THEATRE: Maquoketa Valley

CHORAL READING: Siouxland Christian

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Dubuque Senior

GROUP MIME: Grinnell

SOLO MIME: Dubuque Senior

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: IKM-Manning

GROUP IMPROVISATION: Decorah

MUSICAL THEATRE: Clear Creek Amana

RADIO BROADCASTING: Dubuque Senior

SHORT FILM: IKM-Manning

E. WAYNE COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior

2024:

ONE ACT PLAY: Dubuque Senior

READERS THEATRE: MOC-Floyd Valley

CHORAL READING: Siouxland Christian

ENSEMBLE ACTING: Siouxland Christian

GROUP MIME: Grinnell-Newburg

SOLO MIME: Cedar Rapids Washington

TELEVISION NEWSCASTING: IKM-Manning

GROUP IMPROVISATION: LeMars Community

MUSICAL THEATRE: Decorah

RADIO BROADCASTING: Decorah

SHORT FILM: Greene County

E. WAYNE COOLEY SWEEPSTAKES: Dubuque Senior