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Lincoln – The Nebraska Pork Producers Association (NPPA) is proud to announce the members of the 2008 Pork Industry Mentoring Program. The Pork Industry Mentoring Program is an educational program that provides opportunities for agriculture youth leaders to explore areas of the pork industry by shadowing industry professionals and helps youth identify future careers, while developing their skills to be strong agricultural advocates.

Mentoring students will shadow four industry professionals to learn about the industry hands on, plus each mentoring student will complete four promotion activities, teach two lesson plans to two Lincoln classrooms, as well as attend quarterly meetings that focus on leadership development, agriculture issues and more.

Ten college age students were selected to participate in Pork Industry Mentoring Program based on the quality of each student's application. Members of the 2008 class include: Emily Arkfeld, Dunbar; Amareese Bettin, Leon, IA; Spencer Bolte, McCool Junction; Dana Christensen, Hardy, Mathew Habrock, Wayne; Meredith Jordan, Chelsmforth, MA; Danielle O'Neel, Friend; Kayla Rubenthaler, Gothenburg; Emily Tschida, Omaha; and Laura Witte, Scribner.

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*The Nebraska Pork Producers Association is a grassroots, incorporated, non profit organization established in 1961. NPPA was developed to promote the pork industry through the enhancement of consumer demand, producer education and research. For more information, visit NPPA's website at [www.NEpork.org](http://www.NEpork.org).*