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St. Augustin School hosts World Food Prize Lecture

St. Augustin School will be hosting one of the only non-college events in the World Food Prize Laureate Lecture Series on Monday, October 11 at 1:30 pm. Middle school students will hear from Dr. Surinder Vasal, who won the Prize in 2000, and who is known for his decades of research and leadership that helped improve the productivity and nutritional content of maize.

Nearly 100 students in sixth through eighth grades will attend the speech. The seventh grade class has been doing research on the World Food Prize and many of the laureates that have been recognized in the past years. In addition, they have created posters which will be on display and they have been collecting food donations.

This lecture is part of an annual statewide dialogue, this year consisting of 17 World Food Prize Lectures at Iowa colleges, universities, secondary schools, and other venues, on issues of great importance in providing a nutritious and sustainable food supply for the world's people.

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