

2018-2019 NJ FFA State Association Calendar of Events



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In Cooperation with New Jersey Department of Education

Details on events are made available to every teacher of agriculture at least one month before the event on the Ag Ed Bulletin Board: <http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/events.htm>. Due dates for applications are absolute. Applications must be postmarked or received electronically by the date indicated or they will not be accepted. Participant List with payment by due dates is required. Applications, participant lists and announcements outlined in this calendar can be accessed through the State Activity Guide on the NJ Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources Education website. All participant lists should be sent to ag.ed.registration@ag.nj.gov. *If a deadline falls on the weekend or a state holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day. Member of the Month applications must be submitted online by 2:00 pm on the day of the state meeting (except January which must be submitted by 7:30 am the day of the meeting).

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| September 1
Saturday* | September Member of the Month Applications due |
| September 10
Monday | State Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm |
| September 14-16
Fri. - Sun. | Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events
Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA |
| September 15
Saturday* | Participant List for Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference due
Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference, and State Greenhand Conference (6.000b) |
| September 21
Friday | Registration for Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference due |
| September 24
Monday | State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm |
| September 28
Friday | Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference
Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200 |
| September 28
Friday | New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (following Ag Ed Conference) |
| September 30
Sunday* | Star State Award Applications Due
(Greenhand and Chapter) |
| September 30
Sunday* | Program Affiliation Contracts Due |
| October 1
Monday | October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)

Chapter Officer List due
(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER) |
| October 1
Monday | State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm |

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October 5-6 Fri. – Sat.	Leadership Experience and Development Conference Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference & State Greenhand Conference, Location: The Hotel ML, 915 Route 73, Mt. Laurel, NJ 8054
October 9 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 10 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 15 Monday	Participant Lists for Fall Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
October 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
Oct. 24 - 27 Wed. - Sat.	91st National FFA Convention & Expo and National FFA Career Development Events Indianapolis, IN
November 1 Thursday	Membership Roster Due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)
November 1 Thursday	Alumni & Supporters Roster, Affiliation Agreement & Payment Due
November 1 Thursday	November Member of the Month Application due
November 1 Thursday	Participant Lists for 212^o Conference due
November 5 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
November TBA Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
November 15 Thursday	Fall Career Development Events , School of Environmental and Biological Sciences 9:30 am -1:30 pm 1. Land Judging 2. Milk Quality and Products 3. Turf Management 4. Fruits and Vegetables Identification
November 19 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
Nov. 27 – Dec. 1 Tue. - Sat.	National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention/ACTE Convention San Antonio, TX
Nov. 30 – Dec. 1 Fri. – Sat.	Checkpoint #2 for State Officers Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
December 1 Saturday*	December Member of the Month Application due Program of Activities due via AET & Chapter Constitution due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)

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December 3 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
December 8 Saturday	212° Conference Rutgers University, Cook Campus Student Center 8:30 am – 7:30 pm
December 12 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
December 17 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
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January 1 Tuesday*	January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
January TBA Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
January 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 9:00am
January 8 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
January 14 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
January 15 Tuesday	Participant Lists for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)
January 18 Friday	State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
January 26 Saturday	State Officer Candidates' School , Location TBA 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
February 1 Friday	February Member of the Month Application due (5.001) Participant List for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a) Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)
March 4 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
February 5-7 Tuesday – Thur. <i>Tentative</i>	New Jersey Agricultural Convention & Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ
February 6 Wednesday <i>Tentative</i>	New Jersey Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting (at State Ag Convention) Harrah's Waterfront, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm
February 11 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
February 13 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

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February 14-17 Thurs. – Sat.	State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning North Wildwood, NJ
February 15 Friday	Participant List for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a) (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PARTICIPANT LISTS)
February 16-23 Sat. – Sat.	National FFA Week – Chapter promotion of FFA
February 21 Thursday	Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ 08618
March 1 Friday	March Member of the Month application due (5.001) Participant List for Online Farm Business Management, Forestry, & Meat Evaluation CDEs due (www.judgingcard.com) Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office
March 1 Friday <i>Tentative</i>	New Jersey Youth Institute – The World Food Prize Rutgers University, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
March 4 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
March TBA Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
March 15 Friday	Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004) State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007) Proficiency Award Applications Due – available on www.ffa.org Participant List for Spring Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
March 15 Friday	Floral Design Career Development Event Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am
March 15-16 Fri. - Sat.	NJ FFA Horticultural Expo Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550
March 18 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Webinar
March 19 Tuesday	Proficiency, American & State Degree Selection Committee NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
March 27 Wednesday	Farm Business Management, Forestry & Meat Evaluation CDEs Administered Online (MyCAERT.com)
April 1 Monday	Applications are due for the following awards presented at the convention: The following applications can also be found on the New Jersey FFA Website at 1. State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008) 2. Advisor of the Year Application (14.009) 3. National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II available on www.ffa.org

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4. **Superior Chapter Application** (National Chapter Award Form I)
5. **Most Improved Chapter Application** (15.014)
6. **Member of the Year Application** (5.001)
7. **FFA Week Application** (15.013)
8. **Essay Event** (14.024)
9. **WLC Scholarship Application** (14.022)
10. **Blue Jackets Bright Futures Application** (14.010)
11. **8,000 Hour Challenge/Outstanding Service Project Award** (14.026)
12. **National Convention Scholarship Application Due** (14.021)
13. **State Talent Application** (14.027)
14. **Hall of States** (14.030)

April 1
Monday

Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office

Participant List for Dairy Evaluation CDE due (12.007b & 12.008b)

April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

Agriscience Fair Participant List, Application, and Written Report due (16.001b)

Only National Agriscience Fair participant list, application and report will be accepted!

Participant List for State FFA Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Livestock Evaluation & Poultry Evaluation Career Development Events (www.judgingcard.com)

April 1
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

April 8
Monday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Career Development Events due for 90th State FFA Convention. Advisor Assurance Forms are due with Convention Participant List. Participant List for the events listed below are due and included on the participant list form.

1. **3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003)** Uploaded Manuscript due April 8th
2. **Demonstration (14.006)** Uploaded Outline due April 8th
3. **Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest**
4. **Creed**
5. **Extemporaneous Public Speaking**
6. **Portable Exhibit (14.005)**
7. **Employment Skills (14.017)** Uploaded Resume/Cover Letter/Application/Job Description due April 8th
8. **Agricultural Issues Forum** Uploaded Portfolio due April 8th
9. **Official Ceremonies (15.015)**
10. **FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)**
11. **Artwork Competition (15.018)**
12. **Teach Agriculture Event (14.029)** Uploaded Lesson Plan due April 8th
13. **Marketing Plan CDE (12.022)** Uploaded Portfolio due April 8th

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April 9 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
April 10 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop , NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor Auditorium, 5:00 pm
April 11 Thursday	Spring Career Development Events Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences 9:30 am -1:30 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems 2. Floriculture 3. Nursery/Landscape 4. Ag Sales 5. Environmental and Natural Resources 6. Veterinary Science
April TBA Sunday	State Horse Evaluation Career Development Event Location TBA
April 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm
April 18 Thursday	Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee , NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 1 st floor, Board Room. 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
April/May-TBA Saturday	State FFA Dairy Career Development Event Location TBA
April/May-TBA Tuesday	State FFA Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Livestock Evaluation & Poultry Evaluation Career Development Events Eastern PA FFA Day, Lebanon, Pennsylvania
May 1 Wednesday	Agriscience Fair , Rutgers EcoComplex, 3:00 – 6:00 pm
May 1 Wednesday	May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)
May 1 Wednesday	State Officer Applications Due (15.001)
May 6 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
May 13 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
May 20-22 Mon. – Wed.	State officer set up and practice for state convention
May 22 Wednesday	New Jersey Ag Ed Council Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 1:00 pm
May 22 Wednesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm

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May 22-24
Wed. – Fri.

90th State FFA Convention

Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

*Dates Subject to Change

Participant List required. **Events to be held:**

1. 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003)
(Participant List and electronic submission of speech Due April 8th)
2. Demonstration (14.006) (Participant List and electronic submission of outline Due April 8th)
3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Participant List Due April 8th)
4. Creed (15.006) (Participant List Due April 8th)
5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Participant List Due April 8th)
6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 8th)
7. Employment Skills (14.017) (Participant List and electronic submission of materials Due April 8th)
8. Agricultural Issues Forum (participant list and electronic submission of Portfolio Due April 8th)
9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Participant List Due April 8th)
10. Landscape Design (13.004) (Participant List due March 1st)
11. FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)
12. Art Competition (15.018)
13. Teach Agriculture Event (14.029) (electronic submission of materials)
14. Hall of States Exhibit Event (14.030)
15. Marketing Plan (12.022) (Participant List and electronic submission of materials Due April 8th)

June 1
Saturday*

Participant List for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b)

Dairy Handlers & Tractor Driving

National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due

June 1
Saturday*

June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

June 3
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. Of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

June 8-9
Sat. - Sun.

State Officer Leadership Training Conference, sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni

Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200

June 12
Wednesday

State Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

June 17
Monday

State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

June 25
Tuesday
(Tentative)

18th Annual New Jersey FFA Alumni Golf Tournament

Gambler Ridge Golf Course, 121 Burlington Path Road, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514, 1:00PM

June 26-28
Wed. - Fri.

Base Camp for State Officers

Location TBA

July 1
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, NJ, 1st floor Auditorium, 9 am

July 9
Tuesday

State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

July 15
Monday

State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

July 16
Tuesday
(tentative)

Tractor Driving Event

Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds

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July 20 Saturday (tentative)	Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 21-25 Sun - Thur (Tentative)	State Officer Summit , Washington, D.C.
August 1 Thursday	National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code of Conducts Due to State Office
August 5 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, NJ, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am
August 6-9 Tue - Fri (Tentative)	Checkpoint #1 for State Officers Location TBA
August 14 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
August 15 Thursday	Big E Gate Passes & Parking Requests Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 15 Thursday	Big E CDE & Star Participant List, Waivers and Event Materials Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 19 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

Future National FFA Convention Dates :



Indianapolis, IN
Oct. 24-27, 2018
Oct. 30 – Nov. 2, 2019
Oct. 29 – Oct. 31, 2020

FFA Mission Statement

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Definition of Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education for New Jersey

"Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education prepares people for careers and professional leadership in production, processing, marketing, and distribution of agricultural products, and for related careers in plant and animal technology (including aquatic life), economics, education, mechanics and engineering, natural resources and environmental technology, politics and sociology, and international relations and trade."

Definition of Supervised Agricultural Experience - SAE

"Planned, documented, practical activities conducted outside of the *classroom/laboratory instruction* time in which students develop and apply agricultural knowledge and skills." These experiences (Exploratory, Research/Experimentation and Analysis, Placement, and Ownership/Entrepreneurship) are individualized to meet the needs of a diverse student clientele, and they are supervised by teachers, employers, parents/guardians, and/or other adults who assist students in achieving their objectives.

"The New Jersey FFA

Association is a resource and support organization that does not select, control or supervise local chapter or individual member activities except as expressly provided for in the state FFA constitution, bylaws or policies."