

2019-2020 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 Education 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 Food, Agriculture & 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
Sunday* | September Member of the Month Applications due |
| September 9
Monday | State Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm |
| September 13-14
Fri. - Sat. | Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events
Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA |
| September 15
Sunday* | 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 20
Friday | Registration for Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference due |
| September 23
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 27
Friday | Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference
Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200 |
| September 27
Friday | New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (following Ag Ed Conference) |
| September 30
Monday | Star State Award Applications Due
(Greenhand and Chapter) |
| September 30
Monday | Program Affiliation Contracts Due |
| October 1
Tuesday | October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001) |
| October 1
Tuesday | Chapter Officer List due
(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER) |
| October 4-5
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 08054 |

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October 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
October 8 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 9 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 15 Tuesday	Participant Lists for Fall Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
October 21 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. 30-Nov 2 Wed. - Sat.	92nd National FFA Convention & Expo and National FFA Career Development Events Indianapolis, IN
November 1 Friday	Membership Roster Due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)
November 1 Friday	Alumni & Supporters Roster, Affiliation Agreement & Payment Due
November 1 Friday	November Member of the Month Application due
November 1 Friday	Participant Lists for 212^o Conference due
November 4 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm
November 12 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 7:00 pm
Nov. 15-16 Fri. – Sat.	Checkpoint #2 for State Officers Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
November 18 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
November 21 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
December 1 Sunday*	December Member of the Month Application due
December 1 Sunday*	Program of Activities due via AET & Chapter Constitution due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)
December 2 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 4:00
Dec. 4-7 Wed. - Sat.	National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention/ACTE Convention Anaheim, CA

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December 7 Saturday	212° Conference Rutgers University, Cook Campus Student Center 8:30 am – 6:30 pm
December 11 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
December 16 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
<u>2020</u>	
January 1 Wednesday*	January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
January 14 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting Location TBA, 6:00 pm
January 14 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Location TBA, 7:00 pm
January 15 Wednesday	Participant Lists for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)
January 17 Friday	State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
January 20 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Location TBA 4:00 pm
January 25 Saturday	State Officer Candidates' School , Stone Bridge Middle School, 1252 Yardville-Allentown Rd., Allentown, NJ 08501, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
February 1 Saturday*	February Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
February 1 Saturday*	Participant List for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a)
February 1 Saturday*	Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)
February 3 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
February 4-6 Tues. – Thur.	New Jersey Agricultural Convention & Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ
February 5 Wednesday	New Jersey Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Council Meeting (at State Ag Convention) Harrah's Waterfront, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm
February 12 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 6:00 pm
February 15 Saturday*	Participant List for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a) (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PARTICIPANT LISTS)
February 17 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Location TBA 4:00 pm
February 20-23 Thurs. – Sun.	State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning North Wildwood, NJ

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February 22-29 Sat. – Sat.	National FFA Week – Chapter promotion of FFA
February 27 Thursday	Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ 08618
March 1 Sunday*	March Member of the Month application due (5.001)
March 1 Sunday*	Participant List for Online Farm & Agribusiness Management, Forestry, & Meat Evaluation CDEs due (www.judgingcard.com)
March 1 Sunday*	Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office
March 1 Sunday*	Participant List for Horse Evaluation CDE due
March 2 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting Location TBA, 4:00 pm
March 6 Friday <i>Tentative</i>	New Jersey Youth Institute – The World Food Prize Rutgers University, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
March 10 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 7:00 pm
March 13 Friday	Floral Design Career Development Event Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am
March 13-14 Fri. - Sat.	NJ FFA Horticultural Expo Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550
March 15 Sunday*	Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004)
March 15 Sunday*	State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007)
March 15 Sunday*	Proficiency Award Applications Due – available on www.ffa.org
March 15 Sunday*	Participant List for Spring Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
March 16 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Webinar
March 24 Tuesday	Proficiency, American & State Degree Selection Committee Location TBA 4:00 pm
March 25 Wednesday	Farm & Agribusiness Management, Forestry & Meat Evaluation CDEs Administered Online
April 1 Wednesday	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 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008) 2. Advisor of the Year Application (14.009)

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3. **National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II** available on www.ffa.org or www.theaet.com
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).
15. **Ag Awareness Application** (14.020)

April 1
Wednesday

Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office

April 1
Wednesday

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

April 1
Wednesday

April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

April 1
Wednesday

Agriscience Fair Participant List, Application, and Written Report due (16.001b)
Only National Agriscience Fair participant list, application and report will be accepted!

April 1
Wednesday

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

April 6
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting
Location TBA, 4:00 pm

April TBA
Sunday

State Horse Evaluation Career Development Event
Location TBA

April 8
Wednesday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Career Development Events due for 91st 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**

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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

April 8
Wednesday

State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop
Location TBA, 5:00 pm

April 9
Thursday

Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee
Location TBA 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

April 14
Tuesday

State FFA Foundation Meeting
Location TBA, 6:00 pm

April 20
Monday

State FFA Executive Board Work Session
Location TBA, 4:00 pm

April 23
Thursday

Spring Career Development Events
Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences
9:30 am -1:30 pm

1. Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems
2. Floriculture
3. Nursery/Landscape
4. Ag Sales
5. Environmental and Natural Resources
6. Veterinary Science

April TBA
Saturday

State FFA Dairy Career Development Event
Cedar Lane Farms, Oldwick, NJ

April 29
Wednesday

Agriscience Fair
Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200, 3:00 – 6:00 pm

April 30
Thursday

State FFA Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Livestock Evaluation & Poultry Evaluation Career Development Events
Eastern PA FFA Day, Lebanon, Pennsylvania

May 1
Friday

May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)

May 1
Friday

State Officer Applications Due (15.001)

May 4
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture
Location TBA 4:00 pm

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May 11 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA 4:00 pm
May 18-20 Mon. – Wed.	State officer set up and practice for state convention
May 20 Wednesday	New Jersey Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Council Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 1:00 pm
May 20 Wednesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm
May 20-22 Wed. – Fri.	91st State FFA Convention Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ *Dates Subject to Change Participant List required. Events to be held: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 Monday	Participant List for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b) <i>Dairy Handlers & Tractor Driving</i>
June 1	National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due
June 1 Monday	June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
June 1 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. Of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
June 6 Saturday	Past State Officer Capstone , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 6-7 Sat. - Sun.	State Officer Leadership Training Conference , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 10 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , Location TBA 6:00 pm
June 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , Location TBA 4:00 pm
June 23 Tuesday	19th Annual New Jersey FFA Alumni Golf Tournament Gambler Ridge Golf Course, 121 Burlington Path Road, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514, 1:00PM

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June 24-26 Wed. - Fri.	Base Camp for State Officers Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
July 6 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, Location TBA, 9 am
July 13 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session, Location TBA 4:00 pm
July 14 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting, Location TBA 6:00 pm
July 14 Tuesday	Tractor Driving Event Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 18 Saturday	Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 19-23 Sun. – Thur.	State Officer Summit, Washington, D.C.
August 1 Saturday*	National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code of Conducts Due to State Office
August 3 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA 9:00 am
August 4-7 Tue. – Fri. (<i>Tentative</i>)	Checkpoint #1 for State Officers Location TBA
August 12 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting, Location TBA, 6:00 pm
August 15 Saturday*	Big E Gate Passes & Parking Requests Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 15 Saturday*	Big E CDE & Star Participant List, Waivers and Event Materials Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 17 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session, Location TBA, 4:00 pm

Future National FFA Convention Dates :



Indianapolis, IN
Oct. 29 – Oct. 31, 2020
Oct. 27 – Oct. 30, 2021

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."