

2020-2021 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).

2020

September 1 Tuesday	September Member of the Month Applications due
September 14 Monday	State Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
September 15 Tuesday	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 18-19 Fri. - Sat.	Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA
September 18 Friday	Registration for Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference due
September 21 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
September 25 Friday	Fall Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference Virtual
September 25 Friday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (following Ag Ed Conference)
Sept. 28- Oct. 3 Mon. – Sat.	Leadership Experience and Development Conference Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference & State Greenhand Conference, Location: Virtual
September 30 Wednesday	Star State Award Applications Due (Greenhand and Chapter)
September 30 Wednesday	Program Affiliation Contracts Due
October 1 Thursday	October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)
October 1 Thursday	Chapter Officer List due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)
October 5 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm

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October 13 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 6:00 pm
October 14 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 6:00 pm
October 15 Thursday	Participant Lists for Fall Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
October 19 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
Oct. 28-31 Wed. - Sat.	93rd National FFA Convention & Expo and National FFA Career Development Events Virtual
November 1 Sunday*	Membership Roster Due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)
November 1 Sunday*	Alumni & Supporters Roster, Affiliation Agreement & Payment Due
November 1 Sunday*	November Member of the Month Application due
November 1 Sunday*	Participant Lists for 212° Conference due
November 9 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
November 10 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
Nov. 13-14 Fri. – Sat.	Checkpoint #2 for State Officers Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
November 16 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
November 17-19 Tue. – Thur.	Fall Career Development Events , Virtual 1. Land Judging 2. Milk Quality and Products 3. Turf Management 4. Fruits and Vegetables Identification
December 1 Tuesday	December Member of the Month Application due
December 1 Tuesday	Program of Activities due via AET & Chapter Constitution due (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)
Dec. 2-5 Wed. - Sat.	National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention/ACTE Convention Nashville, TN
December 5 Saturday	212° Conference Virtual 8:30 am – 6:30 pm
December 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm

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December 9 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 6:00 pm
December 21 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
<u>2021</u>	
January 1 Friday	January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
January 12 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting Location TBA, 6:00 pm
January 15 Friday	Participant Lists for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)
January 18 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200 3:00 pm
January 19 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Location TBA, 5:00 pm
January 22 Friday	State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
January 30 Saturday	State Officer Candidates' School , Stone Bridge Middle School, 1252 Yardville-Allentown Rd., Allentown, NJ 08501, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
February 1 Monday	February Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
February 1 Monday	Participant List for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a)
February 1 Monday	Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)
February 1 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
February 9-11 Tues. – Thur.	New Jersey Agricultural Convention & Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ
February 10 Wednesday	New Jersey Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Council Meeting (at State Ag Convention) Harrah's Waterfront, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm
February 10 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA, 6:00 pm
February 15 Monday	Participant List for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a) (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PARTICIPANT LISTS)
February 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Location TBA 4:00 pm
February 18-21 Thurs. – Sun.	State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning North Wildwood, NJ
February 20-27 Sat. – Sat.	National FFA Week – Chapter promotion of FFA

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February 25 Thursday	Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ 08618
March 1 Monday	March Member of the Month application due (5.001)
March 1 Monday	Participant List for Online Farm & Agribusiness Management, Forestry, & Meat Evaluation CDEs due (www.judgingcard.com)
March 1 Monday	Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office
March 1 Monday	Participant List for Horse Evaluation CDE due
March 1 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting Location TBA, 4:00 pm
March 5 Friday <i>Tentative</i>	New Jersey Youth Institute – The World Food Prize Rutgers University, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
March 9 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
March 12 Friday	Floral Design Career Development Event Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am
March 12-13 Fri. - Sat.	NJ FFA Horticultural Expo Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550
March 15 Monday	Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004)
March 15 Monday	State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007)
March 15 Monday	Proficiency Award Applications Due – available on www.ffa.org
March 15 Monday	Participant List for Spring Career Development Events due (www.judgingcard.com)
March 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session Webinar
March 23 Tuesday	Proficiency, American & State Degree Selection Committee Location TBA 4:00 pm
March 24 Wednesday	Farm & Agribusiness Management, Forestry & Meat Evaluation CDEs Administered Online
April 1 Thursday	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) 3. National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II available on www.ffa.org or www.theaet.com

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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).
15. **Ag Awareness Application** (14.020)

April 1
Thursday

Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office

April 1
Thursday

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

April 1
Thursday

April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

April 1
Thursday

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
Thursday

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

April 5
Monday

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

April TBA
Sunday

State Horse Evaluation Career Development Event
Location TBA

April 7
Wednesday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Career Development Events due for 92nd 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 7th
2. **Demonstration (14.006)** Uploaded Outline due April 7th
3. **Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest**
4. **Creed**
5. **Extemporaneous Public Speaking**

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6. **Portable Exhibit (14.005)**
7. **Employment Skills (14.017)** Uploaded Resume/Cover Letter/Application/Job Description due April 7th
8. **Agricultural Issues Forum** Uploaded Portfolio due April 7th
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 7th
13. **Marketing Plan CDE (12.022)** Uploaded Portfolio due April 7th

April 7
Wednesday

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

April 8
Thursday

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

April 13
Tuesday

State FFA Foundation Meeting
Location TBA, 6:00 pm

April 15
Thursday

Spring Career Development Events, 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 19
Monday

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

April TBA
Saturday

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

April 28
Wednesday

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

April 29
Thursday

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

May 1
Saturday*

May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)

May 1
Saturday*

State Officer Applications Due (15.001)

May 3
Monday

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

May 10
Monday

State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture
Location TBA 4:00 pm

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May 24-26 Mon. – Wed.	State officer set up and practice for state convention
May 26 Wednesday	New Jersey Food, Agriculture & Natural Resources Education Council Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 1:00 pm
May 26 Wednesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm
May 26-28 Wed. – Fri.	92nd 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 7th) 2. Demonstration (14.006) (Participant List and electronic submission of outline Due April 7th) 3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Participant List Due April 7th) 4. Creed (15.006) (Participant List Due April 7th) 5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Participant List Due April 7th) 6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 7th) 7. Employment Skills (14.017) (Participant List and electronic submission of materials Due April 7th) 8. Agricultural Issues Forum (participant list and electronic submission of Portfolio Due April 7th) 9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Participant List Due April 7th) 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 7th)
June 1 Tuesday	Participant List for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b) <i>Dairy Handlers & Tractor Driving</i>
June 1 Tuesday	National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due
June 1 Tuesday	June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
June 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. Of Agriculture Location TBA, 4:00 pm
June 9 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , Location TBA 6:00 pm
June 12 Saturday	Past State Officer Capstone , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 12-13 Sat. - Sun.	State Officer Leadership Training Conference , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 21 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , Location TBA 4:00 pm
June 22 Tuesday	19th Annual New Jersey FFA Alumni Golf Tournament Gambler Ridge Golf Course, 121 Burlington Path Road, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514, 1:00PM
June 23-25 Wed. - Fri.	Base Camp for State Officers Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200

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July 12 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, Location TBA, 9 am
July 13 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting, Location TBA 6:00 pm
July 13 Tuesday	Tractor Driving Event Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 17 Saturday	Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 18-22 Sun. – Thur.	State Officer Summit, Washington, D.C.
July 27-30 Tue. – Fri. (<i>Tentative</i>)	Checkpoint #1 for State Officers Location TBA
August 1 Sunday*	National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code of Conducts Due to State Office
August 2 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Location TBA 9:00 am
August 11 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting, Location TBA, 6:00 pm
August 15 Sunday*	Big E Gate Passes & Parking Requests Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 15 Sunday*	Big E CDE & Star Participant List, Waivers and Event Materials Due to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 16 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."