

2017-2018 EVENTS CALENDAR

FLORIDA FFA ASSOCIATION

Event registration opens approximately 30 days prior to the event. Registration deadlines and final due dates are listed in the "Register/Receive By" column (this date includes any grace period applicable). Any team or individual that does not register prior to this deadline will not be eligible for participation. Teams that qualify at a preliminary event do not need to register for state finals events.

*** Please note that this symbol represents those activities that are not official activities of the Florida FFA Association. These activities are included for informational purposes only.

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DATE	EVENT/APPLICATION	REGISTER/RECEIVE BY	LOCATION
AUGUST			
August 7	Quarterly Board Meeting		Florida FFA HQ
August 26-27	E New Teacher Workshop (1-3 year teachers only)	August 11	Orlando (TBA)
August 26-27	L Chapter Presidents' Conference	August 11	Orlando (TBA)
SEPTEMBER			
September 9	Florida FFA Tailgate	September 1	Florida FFA HQ
September 11-15	E American Agriculture Experience (State FFA Officers)		Iowa
September 21	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 2	September 7	Camp Kulaqua (High Springs)
September 22	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 1	September 7	Marianna
September 25	E FFA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet***	Contact Foundation	LTC
September 26	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 3	September 15	LTC
September 27	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 4	September 15	LTC
September 28	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 5	September 15	LTC
September 29	L Chapter Officer Leadership Training – Area 6	September 15	LTC
OCTOBER			
October 1	A Quality Chapter Plan, Roster, Dues	October 8	Florida FFA HQ / MyFFA
October 10	C District Forestry CDE Preliminary (MS/HS)	September 26	Specific Districts TBA
October 12	C District Forestry CDE Preliminary (MS/HS)	September 26	Specific Districts TBA
October 25-28	L National FFA Convention	Contact National FFA	Indianapolis, IN
NOVEMBER			
November 1	Quarterly Board Meeting		Florida FFA HQ
November 1	C Agricultural Education CDE Lesson Plans Due	November 1	Online Submission
November 8-9	C State Forestry CDE (MS/HS)	Qualified Teams	Perry
November 14	C Fall Preliminary Testing Day Food Science CDE (MS/HS), Environmental Science CDE (HS), Dairy Evaluation CDE (MS/HS)	October 31	School Hosts
November 30	C State Citrus CDE (MS/HS) State Tool ID CDE (MS)	November 16	LTC
DECEMBER			
December 1-2	L Middle School Leadership Conference (MS) A	November 17	LTC
December 2-3	L Middle School Leadership Conference (MS) B	November 17	LTC
December 9	E FFA Horse Judging School***	Contact UF Animal Sciences	UF Horse Unit (Gainesville)
December 12	C Sub-District CDE/LDE Preliminaries Creed Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Extemporaneous Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Opening and Closing Ceremonies LDE (MS), Parliamentary Procedure LDE (MS/HS), Prepared Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Tractor Operations CDE (HS)	TBA	Sub-District Hosts
December 16 - January 2	Florida FFA Headquarters Closed (Holiday Break)		
JANUARY			

January 4	E	FAAE New Teacher Workshop***	Contact FAAE	LTC
January 5-7	E	FAAE Mid-Winter Conference***	Contact FAAE	LTC
TBA	E	FFA Meats & Livestock Judging Clinic***	Contact UF Animal Sciences	UF (Gainesville)
January 16	C	State Environmental Science CDE (HS)	Qualified Teams	UF/IFAS Mid-FL REC (Apopka)
		District CDE/LDE Preliminaries Creed Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Extemporaneous Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Opening and Closing Ceremonies LDE (MS), Parliamentary Procedure LDE (MS/HS), Prepared Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Tractor Operations CDE (HS)		
January 18	C		Qualified Teams Only	District Hosts
TBD	C	Agricultural Education CDE Prelims & Finals	Qualified Participants Only	LTC
January 25		Quarterly Board Meeting		LTC
January 26	L	State Officer Candidate Workshop (HS Seniors Only)	January 12	LTC
January 26-27	L	212° High School Leadership Conference	January 12	LTC
January 27-28	L	360° High School Leadership Conference	January 12	LTC
January 30	L	FFA Capitol Day		Tallahassee
FEBRUARY				
February 3	C	State Food Science CDE (MS/HS)	Qualified Teams	UF (Gainesville)
February 3	C	State Horse Evaluation CDE (MS Only)	January 20	TBA
February 10	C	State Horse Evaluation CDE Preliminary (HS) State Livestock Evaluation CDE Preliminary (HS)	January 27	Florida State Fair
February 17	C	State Dairy Evaluation CDE (MS/HS)	Qualified Teams Only	Florida State Fair
February 17	C	State Fair Poultry Evaluation Event (MS/HS)	February 3	Florida State Fair
February 17-24	L	National FFA Week		Nationwide
		Spring Preliminary Testing Day Agricultural Communications CDE (HS), Agricultural Mechanics CDE (HS), Aquaculture CDE (MS/HS), Conduct of Chapter Meetings LDE (MS/HS), Vegetable Identification & Evaluation (MS/HS), Vet Science CDE (HS)		
February 27	C		February 13	School Hosts
MARCH				
March 1	A	Membership Roster Update	March 1	MyFFA
March 1	A	State Officer Application	March 1	Florida FFA HQ
March 1	A	American FFA Degree Application, State FFA Degree Application, Star Award Applications	March 8	Florida FFA HQ
TBA	C	State Floriculture CDE (MS/HS) State Nursery and Landscape CDE (MS/HS)	TBA	UF/IFAS Mid-Florida Research Center (Apopka)
March 9	C	State Livestock Evaluation CDE (MS)	February 23	Florida Strawberry Festival
March 15	A	Ag. Communications CDE Portfolio (Submit Online)	March 15	Online Submission
March 15	A	National Chapter Award Applications, Proficiency Award Applications	March 22	Florida FFA HQ
March 16-17	L	State Leadership Summit	March 2	LTC
March 23	C	State Land Evaluation CDE (MS/HS)	March 9	Polk County
March 24		Florida FFA Beast Feast***	Contact FFA Foundation	LTC
March 12-23	C	District OH Demonstration CDEs (MS/HS)	Contact District Hosts	District Hosts
APRIL				
April 2	A	Alumni Membership Rosters Due	April 9	MyFFA
April 2	A	Award Applications Due: Alumni Awards, Chapter Co-Op, Chapter Advocacy Award, Outstanding District Officer, FFA Advisor of the Year, Alumni Essay, Feeder Steer & Feeder Swine Proficiency Applications	April 9	Florida FFA HQ
April 7	C	State Horse Evaluation CDE (HS)	Qualified Teams	UF Horse Unit Gainesville)
April 8-9		Award Application Judging	By Invitation	LTC
April 9		Quarterly Board Meeting		LTC
April 10-11	L	State Officer Candidate Screening	March 27	LTC
April 14	C	State Livestock Evaluation CDE (HS)	Qualified Teams	UF Horse Unit (Gainesville)

April 14	C	State Poultry Evaluation CDE (MS/HS)	March 31	UF Meats Lab (Gainesville)
April 15	A	Applications Due: Agriscience Fair, State Convention Talent (Online), State Convention Courtesy Corps (Online) LDE Materials Due: Employment Skills CDE Materials, Prepared Public Speaking Manuscripts, Agricultural Issues Portfolios (All Submitted Online)	April 15	Florida FFA HQ
April 20 (TBD)	C	State Aquaculture CDE (MS/HS)	Qualified Teams	UF Trop. Aqua. Lab (Ruskin)
April 21	C	State Meats CDE (MS/HS)	April 7	UF Meats Lab (Gainesville)
April 21	C	State Tractor Operations CDE (HS)	Qualified Participants	Gainesville Area (TBD)
April 27	C	State Agribusiness Management CDE (HS), Preliminary (HS), State Agricultural Sales and Service CDE (HS), State Agricultural Communications CDE (HS), State OH Demonstration CDE (MS/HS), State Vegetable Judging CDE (MS/HS)	April 13	UF (Gainesville)
April 28	C	State Agricultural Mechanics CDE (HS)	Qualified Teams	Taylor Technical Institute (Perry)
April 28	C	State Veterinary Science CDE (HS)	Qualified Teams	HCC (Plant City)
MAY				
May 1	A	Quality Chapter Report (Submit Online), District Officer Application	May 8	Florida FFA HQ
May 7-11		State Convention Planning Retreat		Orlando
May 14-18		Florida FFA Star Tour	Finalists Only	Statewide
May 28-31	L	Foundation Summer Camp***	Contact FFA Foundation	LTC
JUNE				
June 11-15	L	90th Florida FFA State Convention & Expo Agricultural Issues LDE (HS), Agriscience Fair (MS/HS), Conduct of Chapter Meetings (HS) LDE, Creed Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Employment Skills LDE (HS), Extemporaneous Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS), Opening and Closing Ceremonies LDE (MS), Parliamentary Procedure LDE (MS/HS), Prepared Public Speaking LDE (MS/HS)	May 15	Caribe Royale Orlando
JULY				
July 8-13	E	High School Forestry Camp	May 15	O'Leno State Park
July 16-20	E	Middle School Forestry Camp	May 15	O'Leno State Park