

2010-2011 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 by the date indicated or they will not be accepted. Pre-registration with payment by due dates is required. Applications, registrations and announcements outlined in this calendar can be accessed through the State Activity Guide on the NJ Agricultural Education website. All registrations should be sent to ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us.

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| September 1
Wednesday | September Member of the Month Applications due (5.001) |
| September 13
Monday | State Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm |
| September 15
Wednesday | Pre-registration for Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference due
Chapter Officer Leadership Training and State Greenhand Conference (6.000b) |
| September 17-19
Fri. - Sun. | Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events
Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA. |
| September 17
Friday | Registration for Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference due |
| September 24
Friday | Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference , Rutgers Eco Complex
1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200

New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (following Ag Ed Conference) |
| September 27
Monday | State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm |
| September 30
Thursday | Star State Award Applications Due
(Greenhand – 14.016a and Chapter – 14.016b) |
| October 1
Friday | October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)

Chapter Officer List due (1.004a)
CHAPTER OFFICER NAMES, ADDRESSES, EMAIL AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS due in the state office
(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)

Access Electronic Chapter Roster from National FFA website |
| October 1-2
Fri. – Sat. | Leadership Experience and Development Conference
Chapter Officer Leadership Training and State Greenhand Conference
Camp Bernie, Port Murray, NJ |
| October 4
Monday | State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm |

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October 5 Tuesday	New Jersey Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting New Jersey Farm Bureau 10:00 am
October 12 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 13 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
October 15 Friday	Pre-registration for Fall Career Development Events due (7.000b)
October 20-23 Wed. - Sat.	83rd National FFA Convention and National FFA Career Development Events Indianapolis, IN
November 1 Monday	November Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
November 1 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
November 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
November 16 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Location TBA, 5:00 pm
November 18 Thursday	Fall Career Development Events , School of Environmental and Biological Sciences 9:30 am -1:30 pm 1. Land Judging 2. Dairy Foods 3. Turf Management 4. Fruits and Vegetables Identification
December 1 Wednesday	December Member of the Month Application due (5.001) Program of Activities due (1.004b) CHAPTER PROGRAMS OF ACTIVITIES DUE IN THE STATE OFFICE (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)
December 6 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 3 rd Floor DD Conference Room, 4:00 pm
December 8 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
December 20 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

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January 1 Saturday	January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)
January 3 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am
January 11 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

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January 12 Wednesday	Pre-registration for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)
January 18 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Location TBA, 5:00 pm
January 21 Friday	State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 6:00 pm
January 24 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
January 29 Saturday	State Officer Candidates' School , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st Floor Auditorium, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (<i>Snow date: February 6</i>)
January 31 Monday	Chapter Roster due STATE AND NATIONAL DUES - DUE IN STATE OFFICE (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER'S CHARTER – MAY BE PAID ANY TIME PRIOR TO THIS DATE) \$13.00-member A \$75 late fee will be assessed if not paid by January 31st.
February 1 Tuesday	February Member of the Month Application due (5.001) Pre-registration 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)
February 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
February 9 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm Pre-registration for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a) (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PRE-REGISTRATION)
February TBA Mon. - Wed.	NJ State Agriculture Convention
February TBA Tuesday	New Jersey Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting (at State Ag Convention) Location TBA, 2:00 pm
February 21 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
February 19-26 Sat. – Sat.	National FFA Week – Chapter promotion of FFA
February 24 Thursday	Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ (Snow date: March 10)
March 1 Tuesday	March Member of the Month application due (5.001) Pre-registration for Online Farm Business Management, Forestry, Meat Evaluation and Agronomy CDEs due (FBM – 10.003a, Forestry – 12.013b, Meat Evaluation – 12.018a and Agronomy – 12.019a)

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March 1 Tuesday	Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office
March 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
March 15 Tuesday	Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004)
March 15 Tuesday	State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007) Proficiency Award Applications Due – available on www.ffa.org
March 15 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Location TBA, 5:00 pm
March 18 Friday	Floral Design Career Development Event , Burlington Center Mall, 2501 Burlington – Mount Holly Road, Burlington, NJ, 8:30 am
March 18-20 Fri. - Sun.	NJ FFA Horticultural Expo , Burlington Center Mall, Burlington, NJ
March 21 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm
March 18 Friday	Pre-registration for Spring Career Development Events due (13.001a)
March 22 Tuesday	Proficiency and American & State Degree Selection Committee NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st Floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
March 23 Wednesday	Farm Business Management, Forestry, Meat Evaluation and Agronomy CDEs Administered Online (MyCAERT.com)
March 30 Wednesday	Agriscience Fair Registration, Application, and Abstracts Due (16.001a) (Please note – 5 copies of the abstract are due with the application) Only National Agriscience fair registrations, application and abstracts will be accepted!
April 1 Friday	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 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. National Agriscience Student & Teacher of the Year Applications available on www.ffa.org 9. Essay Event (14.024) Four typewritten copies of essay need to be submitted. 10. WLC Scholarship Application (14.022)

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11. **Blue Jackets Bright Futures Application**
12. **Agri-Entrepreneurship Award** available on www.ffa.org
13. **H.O. Sargent Award** available on www.ffa.org
14. **Princeton Agricultural Association Leadership Award** (14.025)
15. **8,000 Hour Challenge/Outstanding Service Project Award** (14.026)
16. **National Convention Scholarship Application Due** (14.021)
17. **State Talent Application** (14.027)

April 1
Friday

Honorary American Degree For Teachers due to the State Office
Pre-registration for Livestock/Dairy Judging CDEs due (12.007b & 12.008b)

April 1
Friday

April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

April 4
Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 5:00 pm

April 7
Thursday

Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee, Northeast
& South Teacher Representation, NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 1st floor, Board Room.
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

April 8
Friday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Career Development Events due for 82nd State FFA Convention. Advisor Assurance Forms are due with Convention Registration. Registration for the events listed below are due and included on the registration form.

1. **3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Speeches due April 8th)**
Ten typewritten copies of speeches (**with cover page to include Title of Speech, Contestant, Chapter and State, and Name of Event**) due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. *Those who do not submit 10 copies of their speech on time will not be registered to compete.*
2. **Demonstration (Ten copies of outline Due April 8th)**
3. **Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest**
4. **Creed**
5. **Extemporaneous Public Speaking**
6. **Portable Exhibit**
7. **Job Interview (14.017) (Job Interview materials due April 8th)**
Ten copies of resume, cover letter and 3 letters of reference are due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. *Those who do not submit 10 copies of their materials on time will not be registered to compete.*
8. **Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio due April 8th)**
Rules
9. **Official Ceremonies**
10. **Tractor Driving (15.002) (Safety Assurance Form due April 8th)**
(found on the convention registration form)
11. **FFA Quiz Bowl (15.017)**
12. **Artwork Competition (15.018)**

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April-TBA Saturday	State FFA Livestock & Dairy Career Development Events Delaware Valley College, Doylestown, PA, 8:15 am-3:00 pm
April 12 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
April 13 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop , NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 5:00 pm
April 14 Thursday	Spring Career Development Events , School of Environmental and Biological Sciences 9:30 am -1:30 pm <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agricultural Mechanics 2. Floriculture 3. Nursery/Landscape 4. Ag Sales 5. Environmental and Natural Resources
April 18 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 2 nd floor, Conference Room 206, 4:00 pm
May 1 Sunday	May Member of the Month Application due (5.010) State Officer Applications Due (15.001)
May 2 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
May 4 Wednesday	Agriscience Fair , Rutgers EcoComplex, 3:00 – 6:00 pm
May 16 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
May 22-23 Sun. - Mon.	State officer set up and practice for state convention
May 24 Tuesday	New Jersey Ag Ed Council Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Hickman Hall, Rutgers University, 2:00 pm
May 24 Tuesday	New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (at State FFA Convention) Hickman Hall, Rutgers University, 6:00 pm
May 24-26 Tues. - Thur.	82nd State FFA Convention School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Rutgers University Pre-registration required. Events to be held: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Registration and 10 copies of speech Due April 8th) 2. Demonstration (14.006) (Registration and five copies of outline Due April 8th) 3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Registration Due April 8th) 4. Creed (15.006) (Registration Due April 8th) 5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Registration Due April 8th) 6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 8th) 7. Job Interview (14.017) (Registration and 10 copies of materials Due April 8th) 8. Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio Due April 8th) 9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Registration Due April 8th) 10. Tractor Driving (15.002) (Registration and Safety Assurance Due April 8th) 11. Landscape Design (13.004) (Registration due March 1st) 12. FFA Quiz Bowl (15.017) 13. Art Competition (15.018)

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June 1 Wednesday	<p>Pre-registration for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b) <i>Horse Judging, Poultry Judging and Dairy Handlers</i> (To be held at Delaware State Fair)</p> <p>National & Eastern States Career Development Event Certifications and Waivers, and National Convention State Block Rooms Needed due</p>
June 1 Wednesday	<p>June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</p> <p>National FFA Band or Chorus or Talent Application Due to State Office</p>
June 1 Wednesday	National Convention CDE Certification and Waivers Due to State Office
June 6 Monday	<p>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. Of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, State Board Room, 4:00 pm</p>
June 8 Wednesday	<p>State Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm</p>
June 10-11 Sat. - Sun.	State Officer Leadership Training Conference , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni
June 20 Monday	<p>State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm</p>
June 28 Tuesday (<i>Tentative</i>)	<p>New Jersey FFA Golf Tournament TBA</p>
June 29-July 1 Wed. - Fri.	BLAST Off - State Officer Training Conference
July 11 Monday	<p>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, NJ, 1st floor Auditorium, 9 am</p>
July 12 Tuesday	<p>State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm</p>
July 18 Monday	<p>State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm</p>
July 22 Friday (<i>Tentative</i>)	Poultry Career Development Event at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)
July 25 Monday (<i>Tentative</i>)	Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)
July 27 Wednesday (<i>Tentative</i>)	Horse Career Development Event at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)
July 26-29 Tues. – Fri.	<p>State Presidents' Conference, Washington, D.C. (arrive on the 25th and leave on the 30th)</p>
August Sun.-Thurs. (<i>Tentative</i>)	National Leadership Conference for State Officers , West Virginia

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August 1 Monday	National Convention Participant List and Code of Conducts Due to State Office
August 1 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, NJ, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am
August 10 Wednesday	State Alumni Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm
August 15 Monday	State FFA Executive Board Work Session , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

Future National FFA Convention Dates:

Indianapolis, IN

Oct. 19-22, 2011

Oct. 24-27, 2012

Louisville, KY

Oct. 30-Nov. 2, 2013

Oct. 29-Nov. 1, 2014

Oct. 28-31, 2015

Indianapolis, IN

Oct. 19-22, 2016

Oct. 25-28, 2017

Oct. 24-27, 2018



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 Agricultural Education for New Jersey

"Agricultural 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."