

## 2022-2023 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 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](mailto: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.

### 2022

September 1 Thursday	<b>September Member of the Month Applications due</b>
September 12 Monday	<b>State Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
September 15 Thursday	<b>Participant List for Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference due</b> Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference, and State Greenhand Conference (6.000b)
September 16-17 Fri.-Sat.	<b>Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events</b> Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA
September 19 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
September 23 Friday	<b>Registration for Fall Food, Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference due</b>
September 30 Friday	<b>Program Affiliation Contracts Due</b>
September 30 Friday	<b>Fall Food, Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Education Teachers Conference</b> Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
September 30 Friday	<b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> (following Ag Ed Conference) Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
October 1 Saturday*	<b>October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)</b>
October 1 Saturday*	<b>Chapter Officer List due</b> <b>(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)</b>
October 3 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
Oct. 7-8 Fri. – Sat.	<b>Leadership Experience and Development Conference</b> Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference & State Greenhand Conference, Location: TBD
October 11 Tuesday	<b>State FFA Foundation Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 6:00 pm

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October 12 Wednesday	<b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Online Meeting, 6:00 pm
October 15 Saturday*	<b>Participant Lists for Fall Career Development Events due</b> ( <a href="http://www.judgingcard.com">www.judgingcard.com</a> )
October 17 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
Oct. 26-29 Wed- Sat.	<b>95<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention &amp; Expo and National FFA Career Development Events</b> Indianapolis, IN
November 1 Tuesday	<b>Membership Roster Due</b> <b>(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)</b>
November 1 Tuesday	<b>Alumni &amp; Supporters Roster, Affiliation Agreement &amp; Payment Due</b>
November 1 Tuesday	<b>November Member of the Month Application due</b>
November 1 Tuesday	<b>Participant Lists for Mission Conference due</b>
November 1 Tuesday	<b>Star State Award Applications Due</b> (Greenhand and Chapter)
November 7 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
November 8 Tuesday	<b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
Nov. 11-12 Fri.-Sat.	<b>Checkpoint #2 for State Officers</b> Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
November 17 Thursday	<b>Fall Career Development Events</b> , School of Environmental and Biological Sciences 9:30 am -1:30 pm 1. Forestry 2. Land Judging 3. Milk Quality and Products 4. Turf Management 5. Fruits and Vegetables Identification
November 21 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
December 1 Thursday	<b>December Member of the Month Application due</b>
December 1 Thursday	<b>Program of Activities due via AET &amp; Chapter Constitution due</b> <b>(REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)</b>
Nov. 29- Dec. 3 Tues.-Sat.	<b>National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention/ACTE Vision Conference</b> Las Vegas, NV
December 5 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

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December 10 Saturday	<b>Mission Conference</b> Rutgers University, Cook Campus Student Center, 8:30 am – 6:00 pm
December 12 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
December 14 Wednesday	<b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Online Meeting, 6:00 pm
<b><u>2023</u></b>	
January 1 Sunday*	<b>January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>
January 9 Monday	<b>State Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room, 9:00 am
January 10 Tuesday	<b>State FFA Foundation Meeting</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 6:00 pm
January 15 Sunday*	<b>Participant Lists for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)</b>
January 16 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
January 17 Tuesday	<b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> Location TBA, 5:00 pm
January 20 Friday	<b>State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop</b> Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200 4:30 pm – 9:00 pm
January 28 Saturday	<b>State Officer Candidates' School</b> , Stonebridge Middle School, 1252 Yardville Allentown Rd., Allentown, NJ 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
February 1 Wednesday	<b>February Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>
February 1 Wednesday	<b>Participant List for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a)</b>
February 1 Wednesday	<b>Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)</b>
February 6 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
February 8 Wednesday	<b>New Jersey Food, Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Education Council Meeting</b> (at State Ag Convention) Harrah's Waterfront, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm
February 8-9 Wed.-Thur.	<b>New Jersey Agricultural Convention &amp; Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention</b> Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ
February 15 Wednesday	<b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Online Meeting, 6:00 pm
February 15 Wednesday	<b>Participant List for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a)</b> (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PARTICIPANT LISTS)
February 16-19 Thurs.- Sun.	<b>State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning</b> North Wildwood, NJ

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February 18-25 Sat.-Sat.	<b>National FFA Week</b> – Chapter promotion of FFA
February 20 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
February 23 Thursday	<b>Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event</b> Location TBA
March 1 Wednesday	<b>March Member of the Month application due (5.001)</b>
March 1 Wednesday	<b>Participant List for Online Farm &amp; Agribusiness Management, Forestry, &amp; Meat Evaluation CDEs due</b> ( <a href="http://www.judgingcard.com">www.judgingcard.com</a> )
March 1 Wednesday	<b>Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office</b>
March 1 Wednesday	<b>Participant List for Horse and Dairy Evaluation CDE due</b>
March 3 Friday ( <i>Tent.</i> )	<b>New Jersey Youth Institute – The World Food Prize</b> Rutgers University, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
March 6 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
March 10 Friday	<b>Floral Design Career Development Event</b> Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am
March 10-11 Fri.-Sat.	<b>NJ FFA Horticultural Expo</b> Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550
March 14 Tuesday	<b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> Online Meeting, 5:00 pm
March 15 Wednesday	<b>Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004)</b>
March 15 Wednesday	<b>State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007)</b>
March 15 Wednesday	<b>Proficiency Award Applications Due</b> – available on <a href="http://www.ffa.org">www.ffa.org</a>
March 15 Wednesday	<b>Participant List for Spring Career Development Events due</b> ( <a href="http://www.judgingcard.com">www.judgingcard.com</a> )
March 20 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> Webinar
March 18-22 Sat. – Weds.	<b>Proficiency, American &amp; State Degree Selection Committee</b> Virtual
March 22 Wednesday	<b>Farm &amp; Agribusiness Management CDEs</b> Administered Online
April 1 Saturday*	<b>Applications are due for the following awards presented at the convention:</b> <b>The following applications can also be found on the New Jersey FFA Website at</b> 1. <b>State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008)</b>

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2. **Advisor of the Year Application** (14.009)
3. **National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II** available on [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org) or [www.theaet.com](http://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  
Saturday\*

**Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office**

April 1  
Saturday\*

**April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)**

April 1  
Saturday\*

**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  
Saturday\*

**Participant List for State FFA Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Livestock Evaluation & Poultry Evaluation Career Development Events** ([www.judgingcard.com](http://www.judgingcard.com))

April 3  
Monday

**State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

April TBA  
Sunday

**State Horse Evaluation Career Development Event**  
Location TBA

April 8-12  
Sat. – Weds.

**Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee**  
Virtual

April 11  
Tuesday

**State FFA Foundation Meeting**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 6:00 pm

April 11  
Tuesday

**Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Career Development Events due for 94<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup>

2. **Demonstration (14.006)** Uploaded Outline due April 11<sup>th</sup>

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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 11<sup>th</sup>
8. **Agricultural Issues Forum** Uploaded Portfolio due April 11<sup>th</sup>
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 11<sup>th</sup>
13. **Marketing Plan CDE (12.022)** Uploaded Portfolio due April 11<sup>th</sup>

April 12  
Wednesday

**State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 5:00 pm

April 17  
Monday

**State FFA Executive Board Work Session**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

April TBA  
Saturday

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

April 20  
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 25  
Tuesday

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

April 26  
Wednesday

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

May 1  
Monday

**May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)**

May 1  
Monday

**State Officer Applications Due (15.001)**

May 1  
Monday

**State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

May 8  
Monday

**State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture**  
200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

May 22-24  
Mon. – Wed.

State officer set up and practice for state convention

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May 24 Wednesday	<b>New Jersey Food, Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources Education Council Meeting</b> (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 1:00 pm
May 24 Wednesday	<b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> (at State FFA Convention) Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm
May 24-26 Wed. – Fri.	<b>94<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention</b> Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ Participant List required. <b>Events to be held:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Participant List and electronic submission of speech Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>2. Demonstration (14.006) (Participant List and electronic submission of outline Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>4. Creed (15.006) (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>7. Employment Skills (14.017) (Participant List and electronic submission of materials Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>8. Agricultural Issues Forum (participant list and electronic submission of Portfolio Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>10. Landscape Design (13.004) (Participant List due March 1<sup>st</sup>)</li> <li>11. FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)</li> <li>12. Art Competition (15.018)</li> <li>13. Teach Agriculture Event (14.029) (electronic submission of materials)</li> <li>14. Hall of States Exhibit Event (14.030)</li> <li>15. Marketing Plan (12.022) (Participant List and electronic submission of materials Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)</li> </ol>
June 1 Thursday	<b>Participant List for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b)</b> <i>Meat Evaluation, Dairy Handlers &amp; Tractor Driving</i>
June 1 Thursday	<b>National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due</b>
June 1 Thursday	<b>June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>
June 5 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. Of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
June 14 Wednesday	<b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , Online Meeting, 6:00 pm
June 10 Saturday	<b>Past State Officer Capstone</b> , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 10-11 Sat.-Sun.	<b>State Officer Leadership Training Conference</b> , sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
June 19 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm
June 27 Tuesday	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Annual New Jersey FFA Alumni Golf Tournament</b> TBD, 1:00PM
June 28-30 Wed.-Fri.	<b>Base Camp for State Officers</b> Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
July 10 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 9 am

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July 11 Tuesday	<b>State FFA Foundation Meeting,</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 6:00 pm
July 16-20 Sun. – Thur.	<b>State Officer Summit,</b> Washington, D.C. (tentative)
July 18 Tuesday	<b>Tractor Driving Event</b> Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 22 Saturday	<b>Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event</b> Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds
July 22 Saturday	<b>Meat Evaluation CDE</b> Burlington County NRCS, 1971 Jacksonville-Jobstown Rd, Columbus, NJ 08022
July 24 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session,</b> Online Meeting, 4:00 pm
July 25-28 Tue.- Fri. ( <i>Tent.</i> )	<b>Checkpoint #1 for State Officers</b> Location TBA
August 1 Tuesday	<b>National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code of Conducts Due</b> to State Office
August 7 Monday	<b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting,</b> NJ Dept. of Agriculture 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 9:00 am
August 9 Wednesday	<b>State Alumni Meeting,</b> Location TBA, 6:00 pm
August 15 Tuesday	<b>Big E Gate Passes &amp; Parking Requests Due</b> to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 15 Tuesday	<b>Big E CDE &amp; Star Participant List, Waivers and Event Materials Due</b> to Big E Coordinator 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
August 21 Monday	<b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session,</b> 200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, 4:00 pm

### Future National FFA Convention Dates :



**Indianapolis, IN**  
Nov. 1 – 4, 2023  
Oct. 23 – 26, 2024

### **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."*