



This application and a copy of your State FFA Degree application are due to your Regional Coordinator by March 1.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Your cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian Names: \_\_\_\_\_

FFA Advisor(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in school (at time of application): \_\_\_\_\_ Year you received the State Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the school you currently attend (2017-2018 school year): \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you expect to attend school for the 2018-2019 school year? (i.e. Anytown High School, UGA, ABAC, etc...) \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain, in detail, the public speaking experiences you have had.

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Please list each Agricultural Education class that you have taken from 6<sup>th</sup> grade through current year; the length of the class (semester/year- long) and the grade earned in the class.

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>School Year taken</u>	<u>Length of Class</u>	<u>Grade Earned</u>

We have reviewed the information on this page and the attached documentation, and agree that it is accurate. Further, we support the nomination of this student for service as State FFA Officer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal (date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ag Teacher (date)



## **Supplemental Information**

***Applications that do not include the cover page and ALL of the material listed below will be considered incomplete.***

### **• Letter of application from candidate**

Each candidate should write a 1-page letter of application for the job of state FFA office. The letter should be addressed to the State FFA Nominating Committee (316 Poultry Science – UGA; Athens, GA 30602) and should 1) introduce the candidate to the committee, 2) express the candidate's interest in the job, 3) explain the candidate's qualifications for the job, and 4) close by answering briefly why the candidate wants the job. Letter of application must be the work of the candidate and must be signed by the candidate. Letter's in excess of one page will not be accepted.

### **• Three (3) letters of reference in support of the candidate**

Each candidate should have three 1-page reference letters supporting their qualification for the job of State FFA Office. Letters should come from 1) Agricultural Education teacher & FFA Advisor, 2) a non-Agricultural Education teacher who has taught the candidate and speak to their character, and 3) a member of the community who is not related to the candidate. Each reference should speak to the character, work ethic, and qualifications of the candidate. Letters should be the original work of the reference person, be limited to one page, be on letterhead and must be signed.

### **• Resume**

Each candidate should include a resume highlighting their experiences, recognition and service. Resumes must be two (2) pages or less and are expected to include the following information.

-**Personal Information:** Student name, address, contact information

-**Education:** name of school attending and year of graduation

-**Experience:** specific work and/or leadership experiences that qualify the student for the role of State FFA Office

-**Leadership Positions:** officer and/or committee positions held (FFA and non-FFA)

-**Awards and Recognition:** honors earned by the applicant (FFA and non-FFA)

-**Community Service:** summary of activities & events, roles the applicant played & impact made on others

### **• Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) description**

Each candidate should submit a description their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program. Candidates are encouraged to be specific with description, including size, scope, hours worked, skills developed, name of business, name of employer, etc...The SAE description should be a maximum of one (1) page, and can be in paragraph form, bullet points, tables, or any style the candidate chooses. SAE descriptions of more than one page will not be considered.

### **• “Why I Want to Serve” Statement (NEW in 2019)**

Each candidate is expected to provide a 100-word statement answering the question, “Why do you want to serve as a state officer.” These statements should be written to the audience of FFA members because they will be the statements used to promote the candidates on Georgia FFA website and State Convention mobile app. Statements longer than 100 words will be edited by the FFA staff without consulting the candidate.

### **• Candidate Commitment form**

Each candidate is expected to review and sign the Candidate Commitment form, insuring that the candidate, as well as their family and advisors, understand and agree to the expectation of serving as a state FFA officer.

### **• Photo**

Each candidate is expected to submit a head & shoulders photo of themselves in official FFA dress. The photo should be submitted on CD or flash drive so that it can be accessed and used for the State Convention website and mobile app.

**Applications that do not include ALL of these items will be considered incomplete.**

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| 1. Cover Page (1 page)                      | 5. SAE Description (1 page)        |
| 2. Candidate letter of application (1 page) | 6. “Why I Want to Serve” statement |
| 3. Three letters of reference (1 page each) | 7. Candidate Commitment Form       |
| 4. Resume (max of 2 pages)                  | 8. Official Dress photo            |



**Candidate Commitment Form**

Serving as a State FFA Officer requires making a commitment to service. In addition to serving and representing the members of the Georgia FFA Association, you will represent the image and direction of the Georgia FFA Association to teachers, state staff, teacher educators, agriculture industry, elected officials, the media, and the general public. You will also be a teammate to 7 other officers. The following items are commitments required of all State FFA Officers in Georgia.

During my year of service as a State FFA Officer, I commit to:

1. Be dedicated and committed to FFA and the total program of agricultural education.
2. Be willing and able to travel as necessary to fulfill the duties of a state FFA officer.
3. Forego all alcohol, tobacco, & illegal substances at all times during my year of service FFA.
4. Avoid places or activities that, in any way, would raise questions as to my moral character or conduct.
5. Use wholesome and appropriate language in all speeches and informal conversations.
6. Maintain proper dress and good grooming for all occasions.
7. Be willing to take and follow instructions as directed by those responsible for State FFA Officers and programs.
8. Maintain and protect my health.
9. Regularly, and on time, write all letters, thank-you notes, emails and other correspondence, which are necessary and desirable.
10. Accept and search out constructive criticism and evaluation of my total performance.
11. Through preparation and practice, develop myself into an effective public speaker and project a desirable image of FFA at all times.
12. Be willing to commit the entire year to State FFA Officer activities.
13. Be willing and able to travel in service to the Georgia FFA Association.
14. Attend the entire National FFA Convention as an Official Delegate.
15. Strive to improve my ability to carry on meaningful and enjoyable conversations with individuals of all ages and walks of life.
16. Treat all FFA members equally by not favoring one over another.
17. Conduct myself in a manner that commands respect without any display of superiority.
18. Maintain my dignity while being personable, concerned, and interested in contacts with others.
19. Evaluate, periodically, my personality and attitude, making every effort to improve myself.
20. Serve as a member of the team, always maintaining a cooperative attitude.
21. Work in harmony with fellow FFA officers, and not knowingly engage in conversations or relationships detrimental to the team, other FFA members, or supporters.
22. Become knowledgeable of agriculture, of education in agriculture/agribusiness, and of FFA.
23. Keep myself up-to-date on current events.

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**Candidate Signature**

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**Date**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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**Agricultural Education Teacher Signature**

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**Date**

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**High School Principal**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**