



Georgia FFA Association

FFA Update

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- **National FFA Convention recap**
 - 19 National Winners (1 CDE, 9 proficiency awards, 6 agriscience fair)
 - Hall of States Winner – Paulding County
 - Talent Winner – Emma Long (Pickens County)
 - Outstanding Middle School program – West Jackson Middle
- **Incredible CDE growth & success**
 - 1 winner (Bleckley County – Ag Mechanics)
 - 10 top-5 finishes
 - 4 more-top 10 finishes
- **134 American Degree recipients**
 - Finalist for American Star in Agricultural Placement
- **Honorary American Degree recipients**
 - Mr. Mike Bushey (Gilmer County)
 - Mr. Andy TenHuisen (Burke County)
 - Ms. Lynne Cook (Tift County)
 - Mr. Josh Allen (State AgEd staff)
- **Unclaimed awards from National Convention are available for pick-up here**



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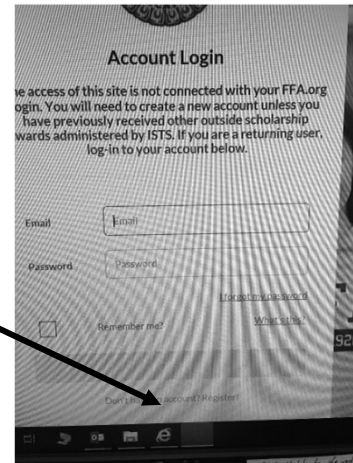
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National FFA Scholarship Applications

- Online applications opened in November.
- Application process closes on February 6.
- Still National FFA Scholarships, but the online application is outsourced.
- Students must create a login to new system (NOT same as MyFFA account).
- Current 12th grade FFA members and recent graduates can apply.
- Students who received a scholarship as graduating senior can receive a scholarship after HS too.



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FFA Membership Update (rest of this year)

- Students must be enrolled in agricultural education classes to be FFA members.
- Students should declare their course and SAE type in student profile on Georgia AgEd site.
- If you have new students at the semester, the deadline to finalize AgEd enrollment and submit FFA membership is March 29.
- If you have students listed on your Student Enrollment page who are not part of your program this school year, move them to the Deleted Student folder.
- When you submit membership to State, it takes a few days for state and national processing of membership.
- State processing does not occur until dues are paid.
- Invoices and receipts are available for download on your Georgia AgEd site.
- Each time you make a submission, you generate an invoice. Submitting small (1 at a time) batches generates lots of separate invoices for you. Try to submit large batches.

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FFA Membership Update (2019-20 and beyond)

- Georgia will become a full Affiliation state (All students in All AgEd classes will be FFA members)
- Fees
 - High School - \$9.05 per student (\$5.05 national / \$4.00 state)
 - Middle School - \$900 flat fee (\$300 national / \$600 state)
- National FFA no longer implies regulations on collection of funds to pay Affiliation fees.
- Website will look different. You will see it in July.
 - No need to declare Affiliation
 - Invoicing will reflect new fees
- Middle School program that are very small can choose to utilize the per person fee rather than the \$900 flat fee.
- This change will alleviate the concern of meeting the 80% membership standard on teacher Program of Work.
- Each student's engagement may vary, but any obstacle of FFA membership has been removed.

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State Convention

- April 25-27, 2019 (Macon)
- Chapter fee will be \$300 per chapter
 - Fee covers all students & adults a chapter plans to bring.
- Online Registration opens in early February and closes March 29.
- Fee for late registration is \$400 per chapter.
- An attendee liability waiver will be necessary for all attendees. Document will be available online and must be presented at on-site registration in order for chapter to claim their registration packet.
- Dance tickets and T-Shirts are separate charges.
- TAG Workshop for students seriously considering a career in AgEd.
- Day of Service projects
- Celebration of 50 years of females in the FFA (Friday night, session 5)
- Advisor material and Convention information available on State Convention website in early February.

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FFA Updates

- **State Officer Candidate Interviews**
 - Date changed from Friday/Saturday (April 19-20) to Thurs./Friday (April 18-19)
 - Camp John Hope
 - Candidate application and handbook are posted online; apps due March 1.
- **FFA Day at the Capitol**
 - 24 chapters have accepted invitations to represent Georgia FFA in Atlanta.
 - February 19, 2019
- **Georgia Jr. National Livestock Show**
 - February 20-23, 2019 (Perry)
 - Banquet has moved to Wednesday night (kick-off event)
 - Registration is necessary for the banquet (student exhibitors are free)



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FFA Updates

- **4 Georgia FFA members received National SAE Grants**
 - Daniel Highfill (Madison County); Harrison Faulk (Golden Isles); William Sell (Screven County); and Walter Grayson Webb (Elbert County)
 - \$1000 grants
 - Only 16 applications from Georgia this year!
- **Washington Leadership Conference Bus Trip**
 - June 17-23, 2019
 - 36 student seats available / 6 advisor seats available
 - Scholarship applications due to Region offices by March 1
 - Cost is \$1165 per student / \$1260 per advisor
 - All registration material due to Andy Paul by April 3.



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FFA Award Applications

- **Proficiency Award applications**
 - Due February 1 (Region Office)
 - Read category descriptions carefully!
- **State Degree & Star applications**
 - Due March 1 (Region Office)
- **American Degree & Star applications**
 - Due May 15 (Region Office)
- **Students must be on the FFA roster THIS SCHOOL YEAR.**
- **Students must have a MyFFA account to begin the applications.**



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THANK YOU!



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