



# **Georgia FFA Association**

## **FFA Update**

**GVATA Summer Conference - 2020**

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- **FFA membership in 2019-2020 – 73,442**
  - Increase of more than 30,000 members
  - Local chapters submitted less dues money in 2019-20 than in 2018-19
  - State Association paid less money to National FFA for dues in 2019-20 than in 2018-19
  - State Association kept more in state dues for operating budget in 2019-20 than in 2018-19
- **State Affiliation in 2020-2021**
  - No change from 2019-2020
  - Middle School chapter flat fee = \$900 (all students in the program)
  - High School chapters = \$9.05 per student (all students in the program)

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- **Virtual State Convention**
  - Thank you for supporting by promoting in your communities & social media
  - Views and online engagement were strong
  - 2019-20 State Officers, Andy Paul, FFA/FCCLA Center and Technical Crew did great work.
  - Online voting worked
  - Sessions and State Officer Retiring Address videos are on Georgia FFA YouTube channel.
  - **State Convention Financials**
    - 1) All chapter money was returned.
    - 2) State Association pay no money Macon Convention Center and hotels
    - 3) Expenses for production crew, audio/visual work, & meals/lodging at FFA Center (\$15,000)
    - 4) Foundation provided some sponsorship money to offset costs (\$5,000)
    - 5) Some FFA dues money was budgeted for State Convention expenses (\$10,000)
  - 93<sup>rd</sup> State Convention scheduled for April 22-24, 2021 in Macon

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- **National Convention**

- Virtual Convention (no gathering in Indianapolis)
- No national CDEs & LDEs in 2020
- Virtual competitions will be available to any student/chapter who want to compete
- Proficiency, National Chapter, Agriscience Fair & Star applications will be judged
- Proficiency, NCA, & Agriscience applications must be finalized online by July 22.
- National Finalists will be named around September 1.
- Plans for National Finalists interviews have not yet been confirmed.

- **National Officer Candidate**

- Doster Harper – Newton College & Career Academy

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- **FFA Events in 2020-2021**

- **First semester will be all virtual CDEs/LDEs on Area level.**
- **CDEs/LDEs that cannot be virtual will be held in Spring semester.**
- **Complete CDE/LDE schedule will be released in Region calendars this week.**
- **State CDE days will be held in January, February, and March at FFA Camps; at in April at the State Convention.**
- **Why the Camps?**
  - **University/College campuses still have the potential for shutdown with little notice. We have more control over use at “our” facilities.**

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- **Virtual Area CDEs & LDEs in 2020-21**
  - **Creed**
  - **Employment Skills**
  - **Extemporaneous Speaking**
  - **Farm & Agribusiness Management**
  - **FFA Quiz**
  - **Floriculture**
  - **Nursery/Landscape**
  - **Prepared Public Speaking**
  - **Wildlife Management**

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## State CDEs & LDEs in 2020-21

- **January 16, 2021 (FFA/FCCLA Center)**
  - Creed
  - Dairy Evaluation (*straight to state*)
  - Employment Skills
  - Extemporaneous Speaking
  - Farm & Agribusiness Management
  - FFA Quiz
  - Floriculture
  - Prepared Public Speaking
  - Wildlife Management

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## State CDEs & LDEs in 2020-21

- **February 13, 2021 (Camp John Hope)**
  - **Agricultural Equipment & Technology ID**
  - **Forestry**
  - **Land Evaluation**
  - **Lawnmower Operations**
  - **Nursery/Landscape**
  - **Veterinary Science**



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- **March 20, 2021 (FFA/FCCLA Center)**
  - **Agricultural Communications**
  - **Agricultural Education**
  - **Agricultural Mechanics**
  - **Environmental/Natural Resources**
  - **Floral Design**
  - **Livestock Evaluation**
  - **Poultry Evaluation**

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## State CDEs & LDEs in 2020-21

- **State FFA Convention (Macon)**
  - **Agricultural Sales**
  - **Conduct of Chapter Meeting**
  - **Discussion Meet**
  - **Marketing Plan**
  - **Parliamentary Procedure**
  - **Tractor Operations**

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## State CDEs & LDEs in 2020-21

- **Horse Evaluation**
  - April 6 – Conyers, GA
- **Forestry Field Day**
  - Date & Location are TBA
- **EMC – Agricultural Electrification**
  - April 17 – Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center
- **Meats Evaluation**
  - March 27 (University of Georgia or FFA/FCCLA Center)

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- **Virtual Chapter Officer Training**

- Information emailed on June 30 from Andy Paul.
- 3 Tiers of virtual COLT conference from which to choose.
- Register by August 1, to get your material and access to online resources.



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- **Hannah Elrick joins the State FFA Office**

- Hannah began July 1, 2020
- Mrs. Martha White retired June 30 after 25 years.
- Hannah's email address is different from the one you used for Mrs. White.



**Hannah Elrick**

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