



Arizona FFA

Schedule of Events & Deadlines

JUNE 2025	
June 1-4	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting, Tucson
June 5-7	State FFA Leadership Conference, Tucson
June 11-13	New State FFA Officers Training Session
June 16	State FFA Leadership Camp Applications Due
June 18	State Winning Agriscience Fair Applications due to State FFA Office
June 18-20	State Officer Base Camp
June 16,17,21,22	State FFA Leadership Camp Staff Meetings
June 23-27	State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber, AZ
JULY 2025	
July TBD	State Officer Defensive Driving Training
July TBD	State FFA Board of Directors Meeting
July 7-8	State Officer Summit Conference Training
July 9-11	State Officer Advanced Facilitation Training
July 13-18	National FFA – State Officer Summit
July 11-16	ACTE AZ Conference
July 28-August 2	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting (Chapter Visit Training)
AUGUST 2025	
August 4	State FFA Officers begin chapter visitations
August 4	Hotel Booking Link for National FFA Convention State Delegation Released
August 29-30	August Chapter Officer Leadership Training
SEPTEMBER 2025	
September 1	National FFA CDE/LDE Certifications & Uploads Due
September 10	Last day for new convention hotel reservations
September 10	Summit Leadership Conferences – Chandler – Chandler HS Center for the Arts
September 12	Tentative Summit Leadership Conferences – Yuma – Arizona Western College
September 15	Summit Leadership Conferences – Safford – Safford High School
September 17	Summit Leadership Conferences – Cottonwood – Verde Valley Fairgrounds
September 18	Tentative Summit Leadership Conferences – Waddell – Canyon View High School
September 22	Tentative Summit Leadership Conferences – Tucson – Sheraton
September 26-27	AATA Fall Conference
September 30	New Charter Application and Paperwork Due
<i>September 30</i>	<i>AZFFA.org Chapter/Teacher Profile Completed</i>
<i>September 30</i>	<i>Affiliation Contracts and Membership entry Due</i>
<i>September 30</i>	<i>Arizona FFA Digital Waivers Due</i>
OCTOBER 2025	
October 1	Last day for convention hotel changes/cancellations through housing bureau
October 1	Blue Jacket Legacy Program Applications Due

October 6	Summit Leadership Conferences – Winslow – Winslow High School
October 10	Agriculturalist of the Year Nominations due
October TBD	Arizona FFA Board of Directors Meeting – Gilbert, AZ
October 24	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting
October 26- November 1	National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, Indiana (State Officers & Staff)
October 29- November 1	National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, Indiana (Arizona Delegation)
NOVEMBER 2025	
<i>November 1</i>	<i>CTSO Annual Chapter Submission Due (includes chapter directory worksheet, advisor statement of assurance, program of activities, constitution/bylaws, etc)</i>
November 1	Alumni Dues due
November 12	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting
DECEMBER 2025	
December 12	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting
JANUARY 2026	
January 6-8	State FFA Executive Committee Retreat
January TBD	National FFA Scholarships Due
January 24	Arizona FFA Board of Directors Meeting (held in conjunction with the Peoria Mini Camp)
January 23-24	Pinnacle - Senior Leadership Conference, Peoria High School
January 23-24	Peoria FFA Mini-Leadership Camp, Peoria High School
January 30	Registration for State FFA Spring Conference due (5:00 PM 3 weeks prior to event)
January 31	Arizona Agricultural Education/FFA Foundation Blue & Gold Gala
FEBRUARY 2026	
February 10	American Degree Applications due to Arizona FFA
February 6	Last day for online testing for the Spring Conference (2 weeks prior to the event)
February 15	State FFA Scholarship Applications Due
February 15	Deadline for submitting State & National Dues for second semester students
February 16	State FFA Degree Applications Due for Region Review District Advisor: process and submit to State FFA Office by March 16.
February 16	Star State Greenhand Applications Due for Region Review District Advisor: process and submit to State FFA Office by March 16.
February 21-28	National FFA Week
February 19	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting
February 20-21	State FFA Spring Conference, U of A, Tucson
February 25-27	State FFA Officer Business & Industry Partner Tours, ADE, Phoenix
MARCH 2026	
March 1	Washington Leadership Conference Scholarship Applications Due
March 10	FFA Administrator of the Year Award Nominations

March 10	Honorary State FFA Degree Nominations
March 10	FFA Alumni Award Nominations
March 16	FFA Proficiency Award Applications due
March 16	State FFA Degrees to State Office from Region Advisors
March 16	Star State and Greenhand Applications Due to State FFA Office (four per district per category)
March 16	Superior Chapter Award Applications Due (Form I of National Chapter application only)
March 16	National Chapter Award Applications Due (Forms I & II)
March 20-21	State FFA Executive Committee Meetings
March 21	State FFA Award Selection Day
APRIL 2026	
April 1	Constitutional Amendments to State Constitution Due to State FFA Office
April 1	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting
Early April	Arizona Star SAE Finalist tours (Production, Business, Placement, Science, Greenhand)
April 15	State Officer Candidate Applications Due
MAY 2026	
May 1	District-Qualifying LDEs completed
May 1	Honorary American FFA Degree Nominations Due to State Office
May 1	National FFA Officer Candidate Applications Due to State FFA Office
May 1	Arizona FFA Foundation 1929 Senior Society Entries Due
May 1-2	Chapter Officer Leadership Training, ASU Polytech
May 1-2	State Officer Candidate Pre-Interviews
May 8	State Leadership Conference registration due
May 8	Prepared Public Speaking Manuscript Due
May 21	Last day for online testing for the State Leadership Conference
May TBD	Arizona National FFA Officer Candidate Interviews
JUNE 2026	
June 1	State Winning National Chapter, Proficiency Apps Due back to AZFFA
May 31 - June 3	State FFA Executive Committee Meeting (SLC Prep)
June 4-6	State FFA Leadership Conference, UofA, Centennial Hall, Tucson
June 5	Arizona Agricultural Education/FFA Foundation Board Meeting
June TBD	New State FFA Officer Training Session
June TBD	State FFA Leadership Camp Applications Due
June TBD	Camp Staff Meeting
June TBD	State FFA Leadership Camp

Key
State FFA Events
<i>Required to Maintain Chapter Good Standing Status</i>





What is the Summit Conference Series?

The Summit Conference Series is a traveling four part conference series with a conference designed for students in each grade level. The Embark (Greenhand), Elevate (Sophomore) and Ascend (Junior) Conferences are held in the fall and take place at 7 locations across the state.



Embark: A Greenhand Conference is designed to intrigue and excite the **8th and 9th grade** FFA members about the organization. This conference is the “hook - line - and sinker” to get students to buy into the FFA organization throughout their four years in high school. The objectives of the conference are to share many of the benefits of FFA, increase knowledge of first year activities, develop agricultural career awareness, and design an individual personal plan of involvement to help guide the student through his/her first year of agriculture education enrollment.



Elevate: A Sophomore Leadership Conference will focus on a student’s individual development with an emphasis on identifying their leadership qualities in an effort to better enable them to facilitate personal growth and set goals. Attendees will identify their personal leadership qualities as well as develop a plan for utilizing those qualities to become a contributing member of their FFA Chapter, school and community.



Ascend: A Junior Leadership Conference will focus on a student’s interactions with others and will include relationship building, maintaining relationships, serving others and refilling their own personal cup. Attendees will develop a deep understanding of the factors that contribute to relationships, both positive and negative, and how to strengthen those relationships. They will dive into understanding the pressures of service in today’s society and develop a plan to serve others using their time, talents and treasures.

Who may attend?

The Embark: Greenhand Conference is open to 8th and 9th grade students only. The Elevate: Sophomore Leadership Conference is open to 10th graders only. The Ascend: Junior Leadership Conference is open to 11th grade students only. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis. We reserve the right to cap registration per location if necessary. There is no limit to the number of students that a chapter may bring.

Note: *No reimbursement of conference fees for non-attendance will be provided except for circumstances due to a disabling injury or illness, or death in the immediate family. Such cases require a written explanation by the advisor to be submitted to the State FFA Office for reimbursement.*

Registration Fees

Embark: Greenhand Conference - \$35 per student

- The registration fee includes lunch, a conference t-shirt, a booklet containing the student’s personal road map for their FFA career.

Elevate: A Sophomore Leadership Conference - \$20 per student

- The registration fee includes lunch and conference materials

Ascend: A Sophomore Leadership Conference - \$20 per student

- The registration fee includes lunch and conference materials

Adults: Advisors and Chaperones - \$20 per person

- The registration fee includes lunch



Hotel Reservations

Chapters are responsible for making appropriate hotel arrangements. In most cases, hotel rooms are not needed.

Medical Consent Forms-Conduct Agreements

Each student attending the conference must complete a Medical Consent-Conduct Agreement. These forms are completed via the Agricultural Experience Tracker and the Advisor must ensure they are completed before a student attends the event. The Arizona Association FFA will purchase no additional accident insurance. Participants must be covered by individual and/or school insurance policies.

Special Needs

Students needing special accommodations or special services should contact the State FFA Office at 602-542-5564 at least 14 days prior to the event. The needs of specialized services must be documented and verified by the school and district office. It is the responsibility of the school and district to provide assistance for the hearing impaired. We will do everything we can to accommodate all students to enhance learning experiences, but prior knowledge of special circumstances must be known in advance.

Conference locations

Please note that **all conferences are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of 120 is not achieved.**

<u>Conference #1</u>	<u>Conference #2</u>	<u>Conference #3</u>	<u>Conference #4</u>	<u>Conference #5</u>	<u>Conference #6</u>	<u>Conference #7</u>
September 10: Chandler Center for the Arts 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	September 12: Arizona Western College 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	September 15: Safford Center for the Arts 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	September 17: Verde Valley Fairgrounds 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	September 18: Canyon View High School 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	September 22: Sheraton Hotel Tucson 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	October 6: Winslow High School 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

The Arizona Association FFA 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.



Chapter Officer Leadership Training

Who:

Open to all chapter officers or potential chapter leaders

Where:

Sheraton Four Points
6850 E Williams Field Rd, Mesa
and ASU Polytechnic Campus

What:

COLT (Chapter Officer Leadership Training) is designed to help equip chapter officers for a successful year! Training is designed to help develop the individual and their chapter.

Cost:

One Star Chapters: 2 free students
Basic Chapters : 1 free student
Additional Students: \$50 without a hotel and \$75 with a hotel

When:

August 29-30, 2025 & May 1-2, 2026
12:00 PM on Friday to
12:00 PM on Saturday

Topics:

Topics include servant leadership, involving and engaging members, running meetings, planning events, team dynamics, staying motivated, and more!



ARIZONA FFA SUMMIT CONFERENCE SERIES

Pinnacle Senior Conference

Who:

ALL SENIOR ARIZONA FFA MEMBERS!

Where:

PEORIA HIGH SCHOOL - IN CONJUNCTION
WITH PEORIA MINI CAMP

What:

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE A 2-DAY EVENT.
WE WILL BEGIN BY FOCUSING ON HOW TO
TRANSITION INTO LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL
AND THEN TRANSITION TO FFA AWARD
APPLICATIONS & JOB INTERVIEWING.

Cost:

\$65 PER STUDENT - INCLUDES
BREAKFAST, LUNCH & HOUSING

When:

JANUARY 23-24, 2026

4 PM TO 4 PM

Topics:

- RECOGNIZE SKILLS GAINED IN HIGH SCHOOL
- TOOLS FOR OVERCOMING OBSTACLES
- RESUME BUILDING
- BEHAVIORAL INTERVIEW PRACTICE
- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
- STATE DEGREE APPLICATIONS
- PROFICIENCY AWARD APPLICATIONS

Arizona Association FFA *Spring Conference*

February 20-21, 2026



**Hosted on the University of
Arizona Campus and Farm**
1200 E University Blvd, Tucson AZ 85721

**Dairy Evaluation, Veterinary Science, and
Horse Evaluation will happen off campus**

Friday: 8:00- 5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00- 4:00 PM



Free for One Star Affiliated Chapters
**\$25 per event for Basic Affiliated
Chapters**