

# 2024 Schedule of Events:

## THURSDAY, MAY 2

8:30 am - Optional Niagara Falls Experience (pre-registration required)

11:30 am - Registration Opens.

12:00 pm - Lunch (included in registration).

12:00 pm - FFA Expo Opens

12:45 pm - Tours begin. (TBA)

- Thursday competitors cannot register for Thursday tours.

1:00 pm - Competitions and workshops begin.

- Competitions:
  - Agriscience Fair
  - Agricultural Issues
  - Discussion Meet
  - Employment Skills
  - Extemporaneous Speaking (Jr & Sr)
  - Farm & Agribusiness Management
  - Food Science
  - Maple Production
  - Parliamentary Procedure
  - Prepared Speaking (Sr Only)
  - Tool Identification (Jr Only)
  - Veterinary Science
- Workshops offered at 1, 2, 3 and 4
  - Workshops to include leadership & career topics

4:45 pm - Dinner service begins (included in convention registration).

7:00 pm - Session 1 (Convention Kick Off)\*\*

- Animal Systems Proficiency Recognition
- Dairy Breed Award
- Prepared Speaking Student Showcase
- CDE Recognition
- Ellie Tarrants Retiring Address
- FFA Jacket Award Presentation
- Keynote Speaker - A'ric Jones

9:00 pm - Return to hotels for evening

\*\*Convention Session Norms: Every convention session will open an hour before listed start time to allow for seating and additional student engagement.

Honorees or award recipients should find their designated seating at least 30 minutes before the listed start time of the session in which they will be recognized.

CDE results are shared as quickly as possible to allow for accuracy. Finalists featured in each session will be communicated with advisors and posted online.

## FRIDAY, MAY 3

8:30 am - Friday competitions begin:

- Agricultural Communications
- Agricultural Education
- Agricultural Sales
- Aquaculture
- Conduct of Chapter Meetings
- Creed Speaking (Jr & Sr)
- Forestry
- Floriculture
- Marketing Plan
- People in Agriculture (Jr & Sr)
- Prepared Speaking (Jr Only)
- Quiz Bowl (Jr & Sr)

8:30 am - Delegate Committees begin.

8:30 am - Tours begin. (TBA)

- Delegates cannot participate in ANY Friday tours.

9:00 am - Workshops begin & Expo opens.

- Delegates cannot participate in Friday workshops.
- Workshops to include leadership & career topics and to be offered at 9, 10 and 11 am.

10:00 am - Session 2

- Ag Issues Student Showcase
- Plant Systems Proficiency Recognition
- Membership Growth Recognition
- National Officer Greetings
- Scholarship Recognition
- Jacob Lucak Retiring Address
- CDE Recognition

11:30 am - Lunch (included in convention registration).

12:45 pm - Afternoon Tours begin (TBA)

- Delegates cannot participate in ANY Friday tours.
- State and District Officer candidates cannot participate in Friday afternoon tours.

1:00 pm - Business Session

- State & District Candidate Recognition
- Election of Officers
- Committee Reports
- Constitutional Change Consideration

1:00 pm - Afternoon workshops

- Delegates will have conflicts.
- Offered at 1, 2 and 3 pm.

2:30 pm - District Meetings (tentative and pending end of Business Session)

4:00 pm - Session 3

- Agribusiness Systems Proficiency Recognition
- Agriscience Fair Recognition
- New Chapter Charters & Jacket Set
- Extemporaneous Speaking Student Showcase
- Honorary Degree Recognition
- Courtney Taibi Retiring Address
- Past State Officer Recognition
- CDE Recognition

## FRIDAY, MAY 3, CONT.

6:15 pm - NY FFA Social Fun Night

- Optional add-on activity that includes entertainment, games, social opportunities and included concessions. (Additional concessions available for purchase)
- Accessible by free public transportation

6:30 pm - NY FFA Foundation's Blue & Gold Reception

- Pre-registration required

9:30 pm - Return to hotels for evening in line with NY FFA Code of Conduct

## SATURDAY, MAY 4

9 am - Session 4

- Environmental Natural Resources & Power, Structural & Technical Systems Proficiency Recognition
- SAE Grant Recognition
- Eric Heath Retiring Address
- District President Recognition
- District President Support System Recognition
- District President Installation
- PR Recognition (Secretary, Reporter, Scrapbook)
- Advisor Recognition
- CDE Recognition
- Kealy Shilde Retiring Address

11:15 am - Lunch and Empire Luncheon (must be added on through registration)

1:00 pm - Session 5

- Creed Speaking Student Showcase
- National Chapter Award
- Support System Recognition
- Ella Underberg Retiring Address
- National Officer Candidate Introduction
- Talent Results
- State Star Recognition
- Empire Degree Presentation
- New Officer Installation

3:00 pm - End of Convention

