

# Georgia FFA Foundation



## State FFA Convention Ambassador Program Application

## Purpose

The purpose of the ambassador program is to provide a leadership program to Georgia FFA members which will allow opportunities during State FFA Convention to interact and connect with FFA supporters, donors, and potential sponsors. The program, in turn, gives industry representatives and donors the opportunity to interact with FFA members, learn more about the FFA program and its mission, and see first-hand the impact of their support.

## Being Selected as an Ambassador

Prospective ambassadors must complete and submit an application by April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 5:00pm. **Chapters may only submit two applications.** Applications will be judged and Ambassadors will be announced by April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Judging will be based on the submitted application and the advisor's recommendation. **Students must be in the 9th – 12th grades to apply.** Please see the last page for additional information.

## Expectations of an Ambassador

Ambassadors must attend the mandatory training on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm. Ambassadors will be provided with a meal after the training and lodging overnight for Tuesday and Wednesday. Further details will be provided once the Ambassador team is selected and announced.

The training will include:

- Overview of the Foundation (the purpose, mission, goals, activities, etc.)
- Overview of the Ambassador Program
- How to Interact with Business & Industry Representatives and Donors
- Role of the Ambassadors while at the Convention
- Specific Assignments for each Ambassador

FFA members selected for the program must feel comfortable and confident greeting guests, sharing their own FFA story, and having their assigned guests where they should be at all times. This will require prior planning and preparation by each ambassador. Ambassadors will work in a fast-paced environment with little supervision. Therefore, Ambassadors will be required to know the following information:

- Convention Schedule
- Convention Center Layout
- Guest Registration Process
- Award Program Sponsors
- Their Assigned Business & Industry Representatives, Judges and Donors

## Please Note

We need students, parents, and agriculture teachers to be aware of the commitment being made when applying to be a Foundation Ambassador. By submitting an application, you are agreeing to being involved in Ambassador activities throughout the entire Convention. **If an FFA member is planning to run for State Office, this program is not ideal for the student to participate in.** This commitment begins with training on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. As an Ambassador, hours may be unpredictable as we work with special guests who may show up unannounced, or assist with additional guests. Ambassadors will need to be on high alert at all times. It is encouraged for potential ambassadors to sit down and discuss this opportunity with their agriculture teacher **BEFORE** applying. Teachers must be willing to support the time commitment to the program, including bringing you and picking you up on time and allowing you to be with the Foundation during required times. Travel to and from the convention center is the responsibility of the ambassador.

If you have questions, concerns, or need additional information before submitting an application, please contact Peyton Sweet, Georgia FFA Foundation Events Coordinator, at 912-614-6808 or psweet@gaaged.org.

# Ambassador Application

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

FFA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include the Region and Area that your Chapter is located in. For Example – Irwin County High FFA Chapter, South Region, Area 5

Student Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City

State

Zip Code

Student Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

(000) – 123 – 4567

Career Objective: \_\_\_\_\_

Year FFA Membership Began: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Agricultural Education Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any FFA Degrees that you have received, including the year that the Degrees were obtained:

*For Example – Greenhand FFA Degree, 2019. State FFA Degree – 2020.*

Please list any FFA Offices that you have held, including the years that you served in that position:

*For Example – Chapter Reporter, 2016-2017. Area 2 President, 2019-2020.*

How are you involved with your local FFA Chapter?

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Please list any FFA Conferences and Conventions that you have attended. Please include the year that you attended, and how each event impacted your FFA career.

*For Example – 94<sup>th</sup> Georgia FFA State Convention, 2022. 95<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention, 2022. WLC Conference, 2022.*

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Describe your Supervised Agricultural Experience – Be sure to list your responsibilities, details of scope, hours, etc.:

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What do you know about the Georgia FFA Foundation?

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Will you be competing in any competitions, accepting an award(s), or attending workshops at State Convention? If so, please list the event name, date, and time for each activity while being as detailed as possible.

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Please list any medical information that we need to be aware of:  
For example – Allergies (mushrooms, shell fish, peanuts). Asthma. Diabetes.

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Please list TWO Emergency Contacts, with one being your FFA Advisor:

Emergency Contact's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Student's T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Student Statement



Please use the space below to explain why you wish to be selected as an Ambassador. Questions to consider when answering: What qualities do you possess that would make you an excellent Ambassador? What do you wish to gain by serving as an Ambassador? What can you contribute to the Ambassador Program/Georgia FFA Foundation by serving as an Ambassador? How has the Georgia FFA Foundation impacted your FFA journey?

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and agree to all duties and responsibilities that will be required of me if I am selected to serve as a 96<sup>th</sup> Georgia FFA State Convention Ambassador.

X - \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature - **If you type your signature, your FFA Advisor must submit your application on your behalf.**

# Ambassador Application Advisor Recommendation



Please use the space below to explain why your student should participate in the Ambassador Program.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, highly recommend \_\_\_\_\_ to  
serve as a 96<sup>th</sup> Georgia FFA State Convention Ambassador.

X - \_\_\_\_\_  
Advisor Signature - **If you type your signature, we ask the FFA Advisor to submit the application.**

# Things to remember when submitting the Ambassador Application:



**Applications must be submitted by Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00pm.**

Applications received after this deadline will not be accepted or considered for judging.

Applications must be typed, submitted via email, as a PDF Document, to:

Peyton Sweet – Georgia FFA Foundation Events Coordinator  
psweet@gaaged.org

FFA chapters may only submit two applications per chapter.

**If a student is running for State FFA Office, it is not recommended that they apply to serve as a Georgia FFA State Convention Ambassador.**

If you have a student that is interested in serving as an Ambassador, but will be competing in any event throughout Convention (even during training days), the Foundation will work with the student/advisor to allow time for them to compete. However, the student must communicate this information with the Foundation Staff. We ask that this information be listed on page 5 of the student's application.

The Ambassador Training will conclude by 1:00 pm on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> so students may compete if needed.

Once the Ambassador Team is selected, the Foundation will send the Ambassadors and their Advisors more details about their week at Convention with a schedule, lodging, meals, and expectations.



**Thank you to the Farm Credit Associations of Georgia for sponsoring the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia FFA State Convention Ambassador Program!**

**For Additional Information Contact:**

Peyton Sweet  
912-614-6808  
psweet@gaaged.org