



Georgia FFA Association
Application to serve as Delegate to the National FFA Convention
For use in 2020

This application is due to the State FFA Office by July 1.

Name: _____ Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Your cell phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Parent cell phone: _____

Applicant E-mail address: _____

Parents/Guardian Names: _____

FFA Advisor(s): _____ Chapter: _____

Where do you expect to attend school for the 2020-2021 school year? (*i.e. Anytown High School, UGA, ABAC, etc...*) _____

Do you understand that attending the National FFA Convention as a delegate will necessitate missing an entire week of school? (*Mark one answer*) YES _____ NO _____

Further, are you willing to work ahead of time in your classes to ensure that you afford to miss the week of school? (*Mark one answer*) YES _____ NO _____

Applicants selected to serve as National Convention delegates are expected to attend the Delegate orientation meeting at Camp John Hope on September 18.

We have reviewed the information on this page and the attached documentation and agree that it is accurate. We acknowledge the need for the candidate to miss a week of school to serve as a National Convention delegate and will assist them in working with their teacher/professors and administration to meet that expectation. Further, we support the nomination of this student for service as delegate to the National FFA Convention.

Principal (date)

Parent/Guardian (date)

Ag Teacher (date)





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Supplemental Information

Applications that do not include the cover page and ALL of the material listed below will be considered incomplete.

• Letter of application

Each candidate should write a 1-page letter of application for the job of National Convention delegate. The letter should be addressed to the State FFA Executive Secretary (316 Poultry Science – UGA; Athens, GA 30602) and should 1) introduce the candidate to the committee, 2) express the applicant's interest in the job, 3) explain the applicant's qualifications for the job, and 4) close by answering briefly why the applicant wants the job. Letter of application must be the work of the applicant and must be signed by the applicant. Letter's in excess of one page will not be accepted.

• Three (3) letters of reference in support of the applicant

Each applicant should have three 1-page reference letters supporting their qualification(s) for the job of National Convention Delegate. One letter must come from the applicant's Agricultural Education teacher & FFA Advisor. The remaining letters can come from any person who can fairly and accurately speak to the applicant's character, work ethic, and qualifications for this important task of representing our state at a national event. Letters should be the original work of the reference person, be limited to one page, be on letterhead and be signed.

• Resume

Each applicant should include a resume highlighting their experiences, recognition, and service. Resumes must be two (2) pages or less and are expected to include the following information.

-**Personal Information:** Student name, address, contact information

-**Education:** name of school attending and year of graduation

-**Experience:** specific work and/or leadership experiences that qualify the student for the role of national delegate

-**Leadership Positions:** officer and/or committee positions held (FFA and non-FFA)

-**Awards and Recognition:** honors earned by the applicant (FFA and non-FFA)

-**Community Service:** summary of activities & events, roles the applicant played & impact made on others

• Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) description

Each applicant should submit a description their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program. Applicants are encouraged to be specific with description, including size, scope, hours worked, skills developed, name of business, name of employer, etc...The SAE description should be a maximum of one (1) page, and can be in paragraph form, bullet points, tables, or any style the candidate chooses. SAE descriptions of more than one page will not be considered.

• "Why I Want to Serve" Statement

Each candidate is expected to provide a written statement (maximum of 500 words) answering the question, "Why do you want to serve as a National Convention Delegate."

• Candidate Commitment form

Each candidate is expected to review and sign the Candidate Commitment form, ensuring that the candidate, as well as their family and advisors, understand and agree to the expectation of serving as a state FFA officer.

• Photo

Each applicant is expected to submit a head & shoulders photo of themselves in official FFA dress. The photo should be emailed to Ben Lastly at blastly@gaaged.org.

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Candidate Commitment Form

Serving as a Georgia Delegate for the National FFA Convention requires making a commitment to service. In addition to serving and representing the members of the Georgia FFA Association, you will represent the image and direction of the Georgia FFA Association to fellow delegates, FFA members, teachers, state and national FFA staff, Alumni, sponsors, and the general public. You will also be expected to handle the official business of the National FFA Organization on behalf of Georgia's over 73,000 members, in a profession manner.

The following are commitments required of all National Convention Delegates from Georgia.

During my time of service as a National Convention Delegate, I commit to:

1. Be willing to commit the entire week to Delegate activities.
2. Be willing and able to travel to the National Convention with the Georgia delegation.
3. Forego all alcohol, tobacco, and illegal substances at all times during my delegate trip.
4. Wear complete and proper official FFA dress each time it is called for.
5. Avoid places or activities that, in any way, would raise questions as to my moral character or conduct.
6. Adhere to the schedule, expectations and curfews provided for Georgia delegates.
7. Arrive on time and attend each delegate function/session throughout the week.
8. Use wholesome and appropriate language in all speeches and informal conversations.
9. Maintain proper dress and good grooming for all occasions.
10. Be willing to take and follow instructions as directed by those responsible for Delegates.
11. Maintain and protect my health.
12. Strive to improve my ability to carry on meaningful and enjoyable conversations with individuals of all ages and walks of life.
13. Treat all FFA members and delegates equally and with respect; not favoring one over another.
14. Conduct myself in a manner that commands respect without any display of superiority.
15. Maintain my dignity while being personable, concerned, and interested in contacts with others.
16. Evaluate, periodically, my personality and attitude, making every effort to improve myself.
17. Serve as a member of the team, always maintaining a cooperative attitude.
18. Work in harmony with fellow FFA officers, and not knowingly engage in conversations or relationships detrimental to the Georgia delegation, other FFA members, or supporters.
19. Become knowledgeable of my delegate issue and be prepared for my responsibilities ahead of time.
20. Represent the Georgia FFA with a smile on my face and love in my heart.

Candidate Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Agricultural Education Teacher Signature

Date

High School Principal

Date

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