

2020 Idaho FFA  
State FFA Degree Study Guide



**Idaho FFA**  

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**ASSOCIATION**

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## Idaho FFA History

1. The Idaho FFA Association holds State Charter No. 17 in the National Organization. It was issued on September 4, 1929.
2. A state charter was issued to the Idaho FFA Alumni Association by the National FFA Alumni on October 13, 1972.
3. Malad was the first chapter chartered in the Idaho FFA Association.
4. The first State President of the Idaho FFA Association was Rodney Hansen, from Firth, in 1929-1930.
5. Idaho's first State FFA Advisor was William Kerr.
6. Idaho's first American FFA Degree recipient was Carrol Baker, from Twin Falls, in 1928.



7. In 1928, three students from Twin Falls attended the first National FFA Convention held in Kansas City, Missouri, at the Baltimore Hotel.
8. These are the first fifteen chapters chartered in the Idaho FFA Association in 1929:

<b>1</b>	Malad	<b>6</b>	Nampa	<b>11</b>	Firth
<b>2</b>	Rupert (Minico)	<b>7</b>	Aberdeen	<b>12</b>	Burley
<b>3</b>	South Fremont	<b>8</b>	Blackfoot	<b>13</b>	Moscow
<b>4</b>	Gooding	<b>9</b>	Lapwai	<b>14</b>	Sugar-Salem
<b>5</b>	Twin Falls	<b>10</b>	Boise	<b>15</b>	Culdesac

9. Ten FFA members received their Idaho State FFA Degree the first year it was issued in 1930. In 2019, 270 Idaho FFA members received their State FFA Degree.
10. Fifty-four Idaho FFA members have been selected as National FFA Proficiency Award Finalists.
11. Six Idaho FFA members have been named American Star Finalist:

1936	Howard Annis	Twin Falls FFA	Star Farmer
1955	Lynn Loosli	North Fremont FFA	Star Farmer
1985	Bryon Tlucek	Melba FFA	Star Farmer
1992	Darren Funk	Burley FFA	Star Farmer
1998	Jere Stewert	Kuna FFA	Star Farmer
2010	Gabriel Flick	Middleton FFA	Star in Agribusiness

## Idaho FFA Past National Officers

12. Ten National FFA Officers have come from Idaho:

Idaho FFA Past National Officers			
Seth Pratt	Western Region Vice President	2011-12	Blackfoot FFA
Casey Isom	Western Region Vice President	1989-90	Fruitland FFA
Jeff Isom	Western Region Vice President	1988-89	Fruitland FFA
Zane Hansen	Western Region Vice President	1972-73	Snake River FFA
L.E. Craig	Western Region Vice President	1965-66	Midvale FFA
Vernon France	Secretary	1962-63	Gooding FFA
Lynn Loosli	Pacific Region Vice President	1955-56	North Fremont FFA
*Marvin Jagels	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President/President	1942-43	Buhl FFA
Leonard Arrington	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	1934-35	Twin Falls FFA
Harry Welhousen	Vice President	1929-30	Twin Falls FFA

\*Elevated to National FFA President in 1943, when National FFA President Harold Gum resigned to join the US military in WWII.

## National FFA History

13. The FFA Creed was written by E. M. Tiffany in 1930. KNOW THE CREED!
14. The first National FFA President was Leslie Applegate.
15. FFA began in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1928.
16. Original National FFA dues were \$0.10.
17. The Smith-Hughes Act established Vocational Agriculture in 1917.
18. African American males were welcomed to the FFA in 1965.
19. Women were welcomed to the FFA in 1969, and 2019 is the 50 year anniversary of this decision.
20. Sitting US Presidents who have addressed the National FFA Convention in person include:
  - Dwight Eisenhower
  - Richard Nixon
  - Gerald Ford
  - Jimmy Carter
  - George H.W. Bush
  - Donald J. Trump
21. FFA officially changed its name to the National FFA Organization in 1988.
22. The first FFA Manual was published in 1930, in Pennsylvania.

## National FFA Facts

23. The official FFA colors are National Blue and Corn Gold.
24. The FFA Moto is:  
Learning to Do,  
Doing to Learn,  
Earning to Live,  
Living to Serve.
25. The National FFA Mission Statement is:  
FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success** through agricultural education.
26. National FFA Conventions have been held in three cities:  
Kansas City, MO  
Louisville, KY  
Indianapolis, IN
27. The National FFA Convention will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, for the years of 2016-2031.
28. The three components to agricultural education include:  
FFA  
Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)  
Classroom/Laboratory

## Idaho FFA Facts

29. There are 92 FFA Chapters chartered in the Idaho FFA Association.
30. Idaho FFA Association membership for 2018-2019 school year totaled 5,208 members.
31. State and National FFA Membership dues are \$16.00, and include the following:  
\$7.00 for National FFA dues (including the National FFA Magazine, New Horizons)  
\$9.00 for State FFA Association dues  
\*\*\$2.00 of the \$9.00 State Association dues go to the Idaho FFA Foundation to grow a long-term endowment and support Idaho FFA Foundation operations.

## Idaho FFA Dates and Deadlines

32. The 2020 State FFA Leadership Conference will be held April 1-4, 2020, at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, Idaho.
33. Chapter Rosters and Programs of Activities (POA) are due to the State FFA Office December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
34. Each chapter's Annual FFA Report is due online June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
35. State Proficiency applications are due postmarked to the State FFA Office by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
36. State Officer Candidate applications are due postmarked to the State FFA Office by February 15<sup>th</sup>.
37. American FFA Degree applications are due online to the State FFA Office March 1<sup>st</sup>.
38. National Chapter Award applications are due postmarked to State FFA Office, Attention: Lucas Barnett by March 1st.
39. State FFA Career Development Events (State CDEs) will be held June 2-5, 2020, at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

## Idaho State FFA Officers

40. Idaho State FFA Officers:

Idaho FFA Officers		
President	Herman Roberts	Perston FFA
Vice President	Shalani Wilcox	Madison FFA
Secretary	Cassidey Plum	Meridian FFA
Treasurer	Katie Hettinga	Kuna FFA
Reporter	Sydney Plum	Meridian FFA
Sentinel	Katy Doumit	Troy FFA

## Idaho District FFA Presidents

41. Idaho District FFA Presidents:

District Presidents	Chapter	FFA District
Brenna Dunworth	Troy	North Idaho
Anna DeVries	Cambridge	Western Idaho
Taylor Dixon	Kuna	Boise Valley
Gabriella Ponce	Wendell	North Magic Valley
Karson King	Filer	South Magic Valley
Sarah Bateman	Declo	East Magic Valley
Kayden Driggs	Teton	North Upper Snake River
Philina Beare	Mackay	South Upper Snake River
Riley Hayes	Bear Lake	Southeastern Idaho
Cade Brackett	Marsing	Treasure Valley

## Idaho District FFA Advisors

42. Idaho District FFA Advisors:

District Advisors	Chapter	FFA District
Sam Hoffman	Troy	North Idaho
Chelsie Fugate	Payette	Western Idaho
Renee Peugh	Meridian	Boise Valley
Rick Hance	Glenns Ferry	North Magic Valley
Derek Jones	Buhl	South Magic Valley
Troy Bird	Minico	East Magic Valley
Lex Godfrey	Rigby	North Upper Snake River
Cody Park	Aberdeen	South Upper Snake River
Katie Wells	Preston	Southeastern Idaho
Kylie Ruhl	Ridgevue	Treasure Valley District

## 2019-2020 National FFA Officers

43. National FFA Officers:

2016-2017 National FFA Officers		
President	<b>Kolsen McCoy</b>	Ohio
Secretary	<b>Kourtney Lehman</b>	Oregon
Central Region Vice President	<b>Mamie Hertel</b>	Montana
Eastern Region Vice President	<b>Tess Seibel</b>	Virginia
Southern Region Vice President	<b>Yomar Roman</b>	Puerto Rico
Western Region Vice President	<b>Lyle Logeman</b>	New Mexico

## **Idaho FFA Association Staff**

44. The State FFA Advisor and Program Quality Manager for Agricultural and Natural Resources Education is Lucas Barnett.
45. The State FFA Executive Director is Clara-Leigh Evans.
46. The Career & Technical Student Organization Coordinator (CTSO) for Idaho FFA is housed within Idaho Career and Technical Education (CTE).
47. The Idaho FFA Foundation Executive Director is Marcia Jedry.
48. The Idaho FFA Alumni President is John Kelly.
49. The Idaho FFA Association mailing address is:  
650 West State Street, Room 324  
Boise, Idaho 83720-0095

## **National FFA Information**

50. National FFA Organization address is:  
6060 FFA Drive  
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960
51. The National FFA Advisor position is Dr. James Woodard from Georgia. (updated 11-18-19)
52. The National FFA Executive Secretary is Cheryl Zimmerman from Wisconsin. (updated 11-18-19)
53. The National FFA Chief Executive Officer is Mark Poeschl in Indianapolis, IN.
54. The National FFA Chief Operating Officer position was eliminated in 2017.
55. Idaho's National FFA Western Region Specialist is Ben Meyer from Montana.
56. The National FFA Treasurer is William "Buddy" Deimler from Utah.
57. The 2019 National FFA Foundation President is Molly Ball in Indianapolis, IN.
58. The National FFA Alumni and Supporters Advisory Committee Chair is Taylor Wiseman, Arkansas.
59. The National FFA Region I Alumni Representative is Tom Rutledge from Oregon.



## IDAHO FFA ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION INFORMATION

60. The Idaho FFA Association Board of Directors has the power to make Association decisions and oversee the operation of the Idaho FFA Association
- a. Members include
    - i. Six (6) constitutional officers
    - ii. Ten (10) District Directors of the IVATA
    - iii. IATA president, president elect and past president
    - iv. One (1) representative of the Idaho FFA Alumni Association
    - v. One (1) representative of the Idaho FFA Foundation
    - vi. One (1) teacher educator representing the Department of Agriculture Education and Extension Education at the University of Idaho
    - vii. One (1) past state FFA officer
    - viii. State FFA Advisor (ex-officio)
    - ix. State FFA Executive Director (ex-officio)
61. The Constitutional Officers of the Idaho FFA Association are:
- a. President
  - b. Vice President
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Reporter
  - f. Sentinel
62. The three kinds of membership shall be:
- a. Active
  - b. Alumni
  - c. Honorary
63. The emblem of the FFA shall be made up of five symbols:
- a. **Plow:** labor and tillage of the soil
  - b. **Owl:** representing wisdom
  - c. **Rising sun:** representing progress
  - d. **Cross section ear of corn:** as a symbol of unity, as corn is grown in every state of the nation
  - e. **American eagle:** represents our national freedom

64. The five degrees of membership shall be:

- a. Discovery Degree           wears the blue pin
- b. Greenhand Degree       wears bronze emblem pin
- c. Chapter FFA Degree      wears silver emblem pin
- d. State FFA Degree       wears gold emblem charm
- e. American FFA Degree   wears gold emblem key

65. The State Leadership Conference (SLC) is the annual meeting of the Idaho FFA Association. The Idaho Leadership Conference must be held at least 45 days prior to the meeting of the National Convention of the FFA.

66. The three standing committees of the Idaho FFA Association are:

- a. Nominating committee
- b. Audit and Budget committee
- c. Program of Activities and Resolution committee