

## 2013-2014 NJ FFA State Association Calendar of Events

**New Jersey FFA Association**  
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*In Cooperation with New Jersey Department of Education*

Details on events are made available to every teacher of agriculture at least one month before the event on the Ag Ed Bulletin Board: <http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/events.htm>. Due dates for applications are absolute. Applications must be postmarked by the date indicated or they will not be accepted. Pre-registration with payment by due dates is required. Applications, registrations and announcements outlined in this calendar can be accessed through the State Activity Guide on the NJ Agricultural Education website. All registrations should be sent to [ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us). \*If a deadline falls on the weekend or a holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day. Member of the Month applications must be physically in the office by 2:00 pm on the day of the state meeting.

### **2013**

- September 1                    **September Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)**  
 Sunday\*
- September 9                    **State Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
 Monday                         369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm
- September 11                  **Pre-registration for Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference due**  
 Wednesday                    Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference, and State Greenhand Conference (6.000b)
- September 13-15                **Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events**  
 Fri. - Sun.                      Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA.
- September 20                  **Registration for Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference due**  
 Friday
- September 23                  **State FFA Executive Board Work Session**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
 Monday                         369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm
- September 27                  **Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference**  
    Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200
- New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting** (following Ag Ed Conference)
- September 30                  **Star State Award Applications Due**  
 Monday                         (Greenhand – 14.016a and Chapter – 14.016b)
- September 30                  **Program Affiliation Contracts Due**  
 Monday
- October 1                        **October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)**  
 Tuesday
- Chapter Officer List due (1.004a)**  
    CHAPTER OFFICER NAMES, ADDRESSES, EMAIL AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS  
    **(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)**
- October 7                        **State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
 Monday                         369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

**Reminder: Collect Ag Education Student Information Data (due May 15)**

[http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag\\_ed/bulletin/AgStuCareerIntReportForm.xls](http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag_ed/bulletin/AgStuCareerIntReportForm.xls)

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| October 8<br>Tuesday          | <b>State FFA Foundation Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Conference Room 304, 6:00 pm  |
| October 9<br>Wednesday        | <b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm   |
| October 11<br>Friday          | <b>Pre-registration for Fall Career Development Events due (7.000b)</b>   |
| October 11-12<br>Fri. – Sat.  | <b>Leadership Experience and Development Conference</b><br>Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference, and State Greenhand Conference, Crowne Plaza Monroe/South Brunswick, Monroe Township, NJ |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 2<br>Wed. - Sat. | <b>86<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention and National FFA Career Development Events</b><br>Louisville, KY   |
| November 1<br>Friday          | <b>Membership Roster Due</b><br>Using Ag Career Network   |
| November 1<br>Friday          | <b>November Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>   |
| November 4<br>Monday          | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm   |
| November 6<br>Wednesday       | <b>Pre-registration for 212<sup>o</sup> Conference due (9.003a)</b>   |
| November 14<br>Thursday       | <b>Fall Career Development Events</b> , School of Environmental and Biological Sciences<br>9:30 am -1:30 pm<br>1. Land Judging<br>2. Milk Quality and Products<br>3. Turf Management<br>4. Fruits and Vegetables Identification   |
| November<br>Saturday          | <b>New Jersey FFA Alumni Turkey Trot 5K</b><br>Veterans Park (Kuser Road Entrance), Hamilton, NJ 9:30 am - TBA  |
| November 18<br>Monday         | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm   |
| November 19<br>Tuesday        | <b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b><br>Online Meeting, 5:00 pm  |
| December 1<br>Sunday          | <b>December Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b><br><br><b>Program of Activities due (1.004b)</b><br><b>(REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)</b>  |
| December 2<br>Monday          | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm   |
| December 3-7<br>Tues. - Sat.  | <b>National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention</b><br>Las Vegas, NV   |
| December 7<br>Saturday        | <b>212<sup>o</sup> Conference</b><br>Rutgers University 9:00 am – 9:30 pm   |
| December 11<br>Wednesday      | <b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm   |

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| December 16<br>Monday           | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm  |
| <b>2014</b>                     |  |
| January 1<br>Wednesday          | <b>January Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>   |
| January 2<br>Thursday           | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am   |
| January 6<br>Monday             | <b>Reminder: Collect Ag Education Student Information Data (due May 15)</b><br><a href="http://www.jerseyeducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag_ed/bulletin/AgStuCareerIntReportForm.xls">http://www.jerseyeducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag_ed/bulletin/AgStuCareerIntReportForm.xls</a>   |
| January 8<br>Wednesday          | <b>Pre-registration for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a)</b>  |
| January 14<br>Tuesday           | <b>State FFA Foundation Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm  |
| January 17<br>Friday            | <b>State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop</b> , Rutgers EcoComplex<br>1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200, 6:00 pm  |
| January 20<br>Monday            | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm  |
| January 21<br>Tuesday           | <b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b><br>Online Meeting, 5:00 pm   |
| January 25<br>Saturday          | <b>State Officer Candidates' School</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm<br>( <i>Snow date: February 1</i> )   |
| February 1<br>Saturday*         | <b>February Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b><br><br><b>Pre-registration for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a)</b><br><br><b>Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)</b> |
| February 3<br>Monday            | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm   |
| February 4-6<br>Tuesday – Thur. | <b>New Jersey Agricultural Convention &amp; Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention</b><br>Taj Mahal, Atlantic City, NJ  |
| February 5<br>Wednesday         | <b>New Jersey Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting</b> (at State Ag Convention)<br>Taj Mahal, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm  |
| February 12<br>Wednesday        | <b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm  |
| February 12<br>Wednesday        | <b>Pre-registration for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a)</b><br>(NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PRE-REGISTRATION)  |
| February 15-22<br>Sat. – Sat.   | <b>National FFA Week</b> – Chapter promotion of FFA  |
| February 17<br>Monday           | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm  |

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| February 20<br>Thursday                 | <b>Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event</b><br>The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ (Snow date: March 7)  |
| February 27- March 2<br>Thursday-Sunday | <b>State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning</b><br>Arrowhead Lake, PA  |
| March 1*<br>Saturday                    | <b>March Member of the Month application due (5.001)</b><br><br><b>Pre-registration for Online Farm Business Management, Forestry, Meat Evaluation and Agronomy CDEs due (10.000a)</b>   |
| March 1*<br>Saturday                    | <b>Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office</b>   |
| March 3<br>Monday                       | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm  |
| March 14<br>Friday                      | <b>Floral Design Career Development Event</b><br>Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am  |
| March 14-16<br>Fri. - Sun.              | <b>NJ FFA Horticultural Expo</b><br>Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550   |
| March 15*<br>Saturday                   | <b>Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004)</b>   |
| March 15*<br>Saturday                   | <b>State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007)</b><br><br><b>Proficiency Award Applications Due</b> – available on <a href="http://www.ffa.org">www.ffa.org</a>   |
| March 17<br>Monday                      | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>Webinar   |
| March 18<br>Tuesday                     | <b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b><br>Online Meeting, 5:00 pm   |
| March 19<br>Wednesday                   | <b>Farm Business Management, Forestry, Meat Evaluation and Agronomy CDEs</b><br>Administered Online ( <a href="http://MyCAERT.com">MyCAERT.com</a> )   |
| March 21<br>Friday                      | <b>Pre-registration for Spring Career Development Events due (13.001a)</b>   |
| March 25<br>Tuesday                     | <b>Proficiency, American &amp; State Degree Selection Committee</b><br>NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm   |
| April 1<br>Tuesday                      | <b>Applications are due for the following awards presented at the convention:</b><br><b>The following applications can also be found on the New Jersey FFA Website at</b><br><ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008)</b></li> <li>2. <b>Advisor of the Year Application (14.009)</b></li> <li>3. <b>National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II</b> available on <a href="http://www.ffa.org">www.ffa.org</a></li> <li>4. <b>Superior Chapter Application</b> (National Chapter Award Form I)</li> <li>5. <b>Most Improved Chapter Application (15.014)</b></li> <li>6. <b>Member of the Year Application (5.001)</b></li> <li>7. <b>FFA Week Application (15.013)</b></li> </ol> |

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8. **Essay Event** (14.024) Four typewritten copies of essay need to be submitted.
9. **WLC Scholarship Application** (14.022)
10. **Blue Jackets Bright Futures Application** (14.010)
11. **Princeton Agricultural Association Leadership Award** (14.025)
12. **8,000 Hour Challenge/Outstanding Service Project Award** (14.026)
13. **National Convention Scholarship Application Due** (14.021)
14. **State Talent Application** (14.027)
15. **Hall of States** (14.030)

April 1  
Tuesday

**Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office**

**Pre-registration for Livestock/Dairy Judging CDEs due (12.007b & 12.008b)**

April 1  
Tuesday

**April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)**

April 2  
Wednesday

**Agriscience Fair Registration, Application, and Written Report due (16.001b)**

(Please note – 5 copies of the written report are due with the application) Only National Agriscience Fair registrations, application and report will be accepted!

April 7  
Monday

**State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

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April 8  
Tuesday

**State FFA Foundation Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

April 9  
Wednesday

**State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop**, NJ Dept.

of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 5:00 pm

April 10  
Thursday

**Spring Career Development Events**

School of Environmental and Biological Sciences

9:30 am -1:30 pm

1. Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems
2. Floriculture
3. Nursery/Landscape
4. Ag Sales
5. Environmental and Natural Resources
6. Veterinary Science

April 10  
Thursday

**Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for**

**State Convention/Career Development Events due for 85th State FFA Convention. Advisor Assurance Forms are due with Convention Registration. Registration for the events listed below are due and included on the registration form.**

1. **3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Speeches due April 10<sup>th</sup>)**  
Ten typewritten copies of speeches (**with cover page to include Title of Speech, Contestant, Chapter and State, and Name of Event**) due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. *Those who do not submit 10 copies of their speech on time will not be registered to compete.*
2. **Demonstration (Ten copies of outline Due April 10<sup>th</sup>) (14.006)**

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3. **Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest**
4. **Creed**
5. **Extemporaneous Public Speaking**
6. **Portable Exhibit (14.005)**
7. **Job Interview (14.017) (Job Interview materials due April 10<sup>th</sup>)**  
Ten copies of resume, cover letter and 3 letters of reference are due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. *Those who do not submit 10 copies of their materials on time will not be registered to compete.*
8. **Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio due April 10<sup>th</sup>)**  
Rules
9. **Official Ceremonies (15.015)**
10. **Tractor Driving (15.002) (Safety Assurance Form due April 10<sup>th</sup>)**  
(found on the convention registration form)
11. **FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)**
12. **Artwork Competition (15.018)**
13. **Teach Agriculture Event (14.029) (10 copies of Lesson Plan due April 10<sup>th</sup>)**

April-TBA  
Saturday

**State FFA Livestock Career Development Events**  
Delaware Valley College, Doylestown, PA, 8:15 am-3:00 pm

April-TBA  
Saturday

**State FFA Dairy Career Development Events**  
Location TBA

April-TBA

**State FFA Food Science & Technology and Poultry Evaluation Career Development Events**  
Eastern PA FFA Day, Manheim, Pennsylvania

April 17  
Thursday

**Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 1<sup>st</sup> floor,  
Board Room. 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

April 21  
Monday

**State FFA Executive Board Work Session**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

April 23  
Wednesday

**Agriscience Fair**, Rutgers EcoComplex, 3:00 – 6:00 pm

May 1  
Thursday

**May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)**

**State Officer Applications Due (15.001)**

May 1  
Thursday

**State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

May 12  
Monday

**State FFA Executive Board Work Session**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture  
369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Room 206, 4:00 pm

May 14  
Wednesday

**Ag Education Student Data Information Due**

May 18-20  
Sun. – Tue.

State officer set up and practice for state convention

May 21  
Wednesday

**New Jersey Ag Ed Council Meeting** (at State FFA Convention)  
Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 2:00 pm

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| May 21<br>Wednesday                        | <b>New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting</b> (at State FFA Convention)<br>Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm   |
| May 21-23<br>Wed. – Thu.                   | <b>85<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention</b><br>Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ<br>Pre-registration required. <b>Events to be held:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003)<br/>(Registration and 10 copies of speech Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Demonstration (14.006) (Registration and five copies of outline Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Registration Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Creed (15.006) (Registration Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Registration Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Job Interview (14.017) (Registration and 10 copies of materials Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Registration Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Tractor Driving (15.002) (Registration and Safety Assurance Due April 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>Landscape Design (13.004) (Registration due March 1<sup>st</sup>)</li> <li>FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)</li> <li>Art Competition (15.018)</li> <li>Teach Agriculture Event (14.029)</li> <li>Hall of States Exhibit Event (14.030)</li> </ol> |
| June 1<br>Sunday                           | <b>Pre-registration for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b)</b><br><i>Horse Judging and Dairy Handlers</i> (To be held at Delaware State Fair)   |
|  | <b>National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due</b>   |
|  | <b>Soybean Yield Contest Registration due</b>   |
| June 1<br>Sunday                           | <b>June Member of the Month Application due (5.001)</b>   |
| June 2<br>Monday                           | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. Of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm   |
| June 7-8<br>Sat. - Sun.                    | <b>State Officer Leadership Training Conference</b> , sponsored by New Jersey FFA<br>Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200  |
| June 11<br>Wednesday                       | <b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm   |
| June 16<br>Monday                          | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm   |
| June 17<br>Tuesday<br>( <i>Tentative</i> ) | <b>New Jersey FFA Golf Tournament</b><br>Mercer Oaks, West Windsor, NJ  |
| June 25-27<br>Wed. - Fri.                  | <b>BLAST Off</b> - State Officer Training Conference<br>Mercer Soil Conservation District   |
| July 7<br>Monday                           | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, NJ, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor Auditorium, 9 am  |
| July 8<br>Tuesday                          | <b>State FFA Foundation Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm   |
| July 21<br>Monday                          | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm   |

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| July 21-26<br>Mon. – Sat.<br>Tentative | <b>State Presidents’ Conference</b> , Washington, D.C.<br>(arrive on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> and leave on the 27 <sup>th</sup> )  |
| July 22<br>Tuesday                     | <b>Dairy Handlers’ Career Development Event</b> at Delaware State Fair<br>( <i>Tentative</i> ) (Details to follow)   |
| July 23<br>Wednesday                   | <b>Horse Judging Career Development Event</b> at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)<br>( <i>Tentative</i> )   |
| July 27 – 31<br>Sun.-Thurs.            | <b>National Leadership Conference for State Officers</b> , Delaware  |
| August 1<br>Friday                     | <b>National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code of Conducts Due</b> to State Office                             |
| August 7-9<br>Thurs. – Sat.            | <b>State Officer 360° Training</b> , TBA   |
| August 4<br>Monday                     | <b>State FFA Association Monthly Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, NJ, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am |
| August 13<br>Wednesday                 | <b>State Alumni Meeting</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm                      |
| August 18<br>Monday                    | <b>State FFA Executive Board Work Session</b> , NJ Dept. of Agriculture<br>369 South Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm    |

### Future National FFA Convention Dates:



**Louisville, KY**  
Oct. 30-Nov. 2, 2013  
Oct. 29-Nov. 1, 2014  
Oct. 28-31, 2015

**Indianapolis, IN**  
Oct. 19-22, 2016  
Oct. 25-28, 2017  
Oct. 24-27, 2018

#### **FFA Mission Statement**

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.

#### **Definition of Agricultural Education for New Jersey**

"Agricultural Education prepares people for careers and professional leadership in production, processing, marketing, and distribution of agricultural products, and for related careers in plant and animal technology (including aquatic life), economics, education, mechanics and engineering, natural resources and environmental technology, politics and sociology, and international relations and trade."

#### **Definition of Supervised Agricultural Experience - SAE**

"Planned, documented, practical activities conducted outside of the *classroom/laboratory instruction* time in which students develop and apply agricultural knowledge and skills." These experiences (Exploratory, Research/Experimentation and Analysis, Placement, and Ownership/Entrepreneurship) are individualized to meet the needs of a diverse student clientele, and they are supervised by teachers, employers, parents/guardians, and/or other adults who assist students in achieving their objectives.

*"The New Jersey FFA*

*Association 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."*