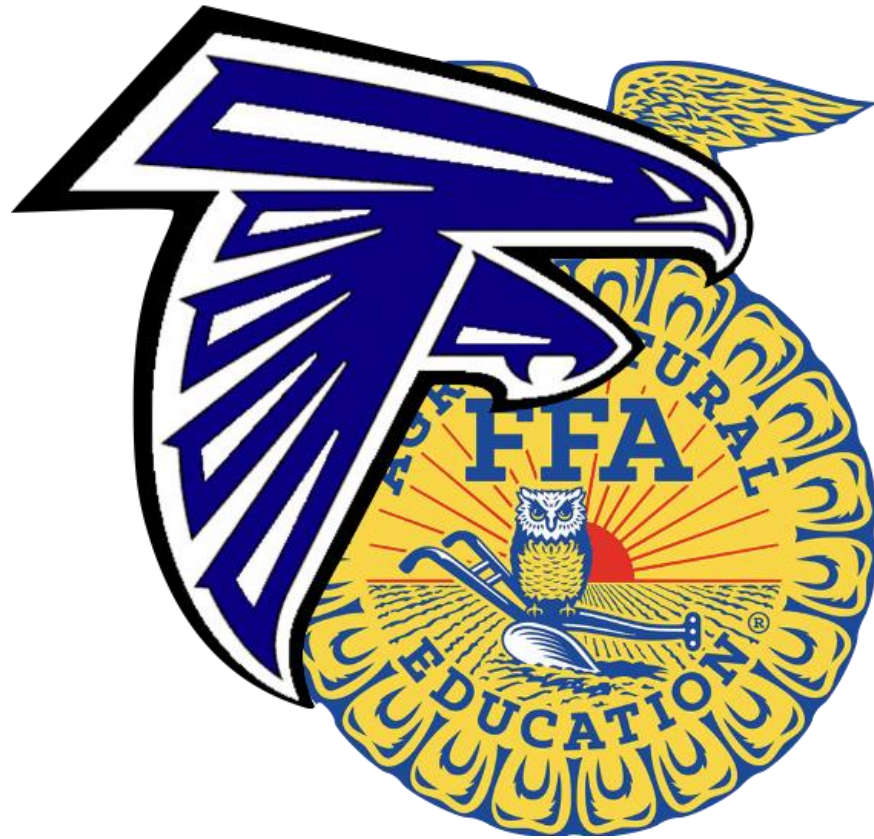


Atwater High School FFA

Atwater High School Agriculture Department



2021 – 2022

Program of Activities

“Welcome to the Show”



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Dear FFA Members,

After the unpredictable two years the world has had, we are looking forward to a productive, safe, and enjoyable year with the Atwater High School FFA. The Atwater High School Agriculture Program has a lengthy history of promoting students' success and character development through agricultural education, events, and activities online and in person. As the world begins to return to a semblance of normalcy and we continue to exceed expectations, members can look forward to a school year full of teamwork, passion, success and involvement. We have had the pleasure of adding many new agriculture courses, members, teams, teachers and ideas to our program this past year and will continue to enhance our program to best serve the students of Atwater High School.



This year's officer team has made it our main goal to get members to take advantage of as many opportunities the FFA has to offer as possible. Whether it be in the classroom, SAE's, or competitions, we believe there is a place for everyone in our program. I speak for the officer team when I say we look forward to guiding each member on their agricultural journey, so they can have the greatest experience in FFA and in our Chapter. Our organization has 1000+ involved members, and every single one of them has the power to make a difference in our school and community while upholding the rich traditions within the FFA organization.

The Atwater High School Agriculture program is a growing, productive and nationally recognized agriculture program. This recognition is in direct correlation to student involvement, staff commitment, and our community's support.

I look forward to working each and every day with my officer team and fellow FFA members to preserve and enhance our contributions to our school and our community.

Sincerely,

Allison Garner

Allison Garner

2021-2022 Chapter President



Caden Hultgren (Treasurer), Sahyleigh Miller (Reporter), Hannah Slate (Vice President), Allison Garner (President), Katrina Andujar (Sentinel), Ella Boyenga (Historian), Kendall Borba (Secretary), & Julia Callahan (Parliamentarian)

Dear Members,

Our 2021-2022 Atwater FFA theme is, "Welcome to the Show". The FFA is welcoming back our members after a year of being away. We would like to take this opportunity to come back stronger than ever. We are not just welcoming our members back to the show in terms of fairs and livestock, but we are welcoming them back to all the meetings, events, conferences, that the FFA has to offer.

The 2021-2022 Atwater FFA chapter officer team strives to serve all students within the Atwater High School agriculture program. We want each of you to start now, by taking every opportunity offered. You are all encouraged to learn, grow, and develop in agriculture education and the FFA through chapter meetings, judging teams, community service activities, fundraisers, team competitions, recreational activities, and much more! Every event we hold is bound to be enjoyable, enlightening and dynamic to all involved!

Our established goal is to ensure that all stakeholders are aware of the agriculture industry and its importance in our everyday life. There is so much to explore in the agriculture industry including agriculture mechanics, animal anatomy, horticulture, agriculture business, biotechnology, agronomy, floriculture, vet science, and computer technology. As a chapter, we want to strive to meet our goals of getting more students involved in our activities and FFA knowledge, becoming active members of our community, and creating a fun open environment. We encourage students to be a part of the many opportunities the agriculture industry and the FFA have to offer.

Sincerely,

*Allison Garner, Hannah Slate, Kendall Borba, Caden Hultgren, Shayleigh Miller,
Katrina Victoria Andujar, Ella Boyenga, Julia Callahan*

2021-2022 Chapter Officers



Jose Vargas, Dan Flatt, Kim Mesa, Sam Meredith, Taylor Helton, Natalie Borba, Shelby Fishman, and Dave Gossman

Dear Chapter Members,

The Advisors of the Atwater FFA would like to welcome each and every new and old member alike to the Atwater FFA and Agriculture program for the 2021-2022 school year.

The mission of the Atwater FFA and Atwater High School Agriculture Department is to lead, assist, and motivate the members of the FFA in providing high quality agricultural education that is equitable and efficient, that prepares students for higher education, employment, and citizenship, and promotes students' intellectual, ethical and cultural growth.

We are committed to make a positive difference in the lives of young people through the variety of resources and opportunities agriculture education and the FFA have to offer. We believe we have something of academic, personal, or career value for all of our students and we encourage all of you to take advantage of the opportunities that have made the Atwater High School agriculture program the largest and one of the most productive programs in the state and nation!

We look forward to working with all of you and experience all the successes and adventures that the 2021-2022 school year has ahead!

Sincerely,

*Dave Gossman, Shelby Fishman, Jose Vargas, Kim Mesa, Sam Meredith, Taylor Helton,
Natalie Borba, and Dan Flatt*

The Atwater High School Agriculture Department Staff and Atwater FFA Advisor Team



Atwater FFA Chapter, Department, and School Calendar

Calendar of Activities

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August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Chapter Officer Leadership Retreat	2 Chapter Officer Leadership Retreat	3 Chapter Officer Leadership Retreat	4C Chapter Officer Leadership Retreat	5 Frosh Round Up -FFA Recruitment	6 10th -12th Round Up	7
8	9 MUHSD/AHS Teacher In-Service	10 MUHSD/AHS Teacher In-Service	11 1st Day of School	12	13 AHS Back to school Rally	14
15	16	17	18	19 FFA Jacket Orders Begin Placemat Ad Sales Begin	20 FFA BBQ #1 Ticket Sales Begin Change Makers Summit Conference	21 Change Makers Summit Conference
22	23	24	25 FFA Ice Cream Social Back to School Night	26	27 FFA Football BBQ	28
29	30	31				

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 AHS Club Rush	3 Take-Out BBQ #1 Ticket Sales End FFA Football BBQ	4
5	6 School Holiday—No School	7	8	9 FFA Rotary Presentation	10	11
12	13 Placemat Ad Sales End Progress Report Grades Due	14 MMS SOLC MMS CATA 4PM @ MC	15 Staff ID Pictures	16 Cash/Check Order Pmt FFA Jacket Sales End	17 FFA Football BBQ	18
19	20 FFA Exec/Adv/Adult Board Mtg	21 National FFA Delegate Training (Virtual)	22 FFA Fundraising Forms Due	23 Take-Out BBQ #1	24 Tailgate with El Cap FFA @ Football Game	25
26	27 Online Sale Orders for FFA Jacket Sales End	28 Greenhand Leadership Conference	29 FFA Pool Party Mtg	30 Mandatory MUHSD Online Training Due		

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 FFA Fall Fest X
3	4 AHS Homecoming Week	5	6	7	8 FFA Plant Sale Student Merced County Fair Forms DUE FFA Football BBQ	9 FFA Plant Sale
10	11	12	13 M/M FFA O/C Ceremonies Contest @ 4pm (Gustine)	14 Atwater FFA Beautification	15 End of 1st Quarter FFA Football BBQ	16 MJC Cotton Contest
17	18 2nd Quarter Begins	19	20 FFA Corn Maze Mtg	21	22 AHS Sadies Dance	23
24 31	25	26	27 National FFA Convention	28 National FFA Convention	29 National FFA Convention	30 National FFA Convention

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 FFA Greenhand Officer Apps Out	2	3	4 New Professionals Institute	5 New Professionals Institute Greenhand Officer Apps DUE	6 FFA State Cotton Judging Finals
7	8	9 MMS Leadership and Game Night	10 MMS CATA Admin Night—4:30PM @ Pacheco and Wool- growers	11 School Holiday—No School	12 School Holiday—No School	13
14	15 FFA Greenhand Officer Interviews	16 FFA Greenhand / Chapter Degree Ceremony Mtg	17 FFA Parent / Student Fair Exhibitor Mtg	18 FFA BBQ #2 Ticket Sales Begin	19 Central Region CATA Road Show—Delta College	20 Central Region CATA Road Show—Delta College
21	22 Thanksgiving Recess— No School	23 Thanksgiving Recess— No School	24 Thanksgiving Recess— No School	25 Thanksgiving Recess— No School Thanksgiving Day	26 Thanksgiving Recess— No School	27
28	29	30				

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Dairy Heifer Student Exhibitor Mtg	2	3 Take-Out BBQ #2 Ticket Sales End Sectional Project Comp	4 Mariposa Speaking Contest Field Day
5	6 Merced Fair Forms Application Week	7 Ag Advisory Mtg Merced Fair Forms Application Week	8 Dairy Forms DUE Merced Fair Forms Application Week	9 Judging Team Showcase Merced Fair Forms Application Week	10 Merced Fair Forms Application Week	11
12	13 CTE / Elective Course Fair FFA Morning Wave	14	15 Take-Out BBQ #2	16 Last Day of the 1st Semester	17 State Degree Mtg FFA Hockey Game Winter Recess—Non Instructional Day	18
19	20 Winter Recess—No School	21 Winter Recess—No School	22 Winter Recess—No School	23 Winter Recess—No School	24 Winter Recess—No School	25
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January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Supervising Teachers Conference	2 M/M FFA Project Competition Banquet	3	4 FFA Regional Speaking Contest—MJC	5 Arbuckle FFA Field Day
6	7 Regional FFA Proficiency and Star Apps - Ripon	8 FFA State Officer Pre- Screen	9	10 FFA Regional Officer Screening World Ag Expo— Tulare	11 FFA Regional Officer Screening FFA Modesto	12 Chico State Field Day
13	14 National FFA Week (TBD) Activities FFA Exec/Adv/Adult Board Mtg	15 National FFA Week (TBD) Activities Nom-Com Screening State Proficiency Judging	16 National FFA Week (TBD) Activities State Proficiency Judging	17 National FFA Week (TBD) Activities State Proficiency Judging	18 National FFA Week (TBD) Activities Regional Parli Pro Finals—MJC	19 Le Grand FFA Field Day
20	21 President's Recess — No School	22 President's Recess — No School	23 President's Recess — No School	24 President's Recess — No School	25 President's Recess — No School	26 Central Region CATA/ FFA Meeting—CRC
27	28					

March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 FFA Take-Out BBQ #3 Ticket Sales END	4 UC Davis FFA Parli Pro	5 UC Davis FFA Field Day
6	7 State Finals FFA Speaking Manuscripts DUE	8	9 FFA Goat Yoga Mtg	10	11	12 Merced College FFA Field Day
13	14	15	16	17 FFA Take-Out BBQ #3	18 End of 3rd Quarter	19 MJC FFA Field Day
20	21	22	23	24 FFA State Speaking Finals	25 FFA State Parli Pro Finals	26 FFA State Leadership Conference Cosumnes River College FFA Field Day
27 FFA State Leadership Conference	28 FFA State Leadership Conference	29 FFA State Leadership Conference	30	31		

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Reedley College FFA Field Day
3	4	5	6	7 FFA Burrito Bingo Mtg	8	9 Fresno State FFA Field Day
10	11	12 M/M FFA Regional Awards Ceremony— Turlock	13 M/M CATA and FFA Mtg - Livingston	14	15 Spring Recess—No School	16
17	18 Spring Recess—No School	19 Spring Recess—No School	20 Spring Recess—No School	21 Spring Recess—No School	22 Spring Recess—No School	23
24	25 FFA Take-Out BBQ #4 Ticket Sales Begin Los Banos Fair	26 Los Banos Fair	27 Los Banos Fair	28 Los Banos Fair	29 FFA Spring Plant Sale Los Banos Fair	30 FFA Spring Plant Sale AHS Prom Los Banos Fair

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 FFA Take-Out BBQ #4 Ticket Sales END	5 State FFA Finals Trip— Cal Poly	6 State FFA Finals Trip— Cal Poly	7 Cal Poly State Finals
8	9	10 Scholarship Night	11	12	13 FFA America De- gree Apps DUE	14
15	16	17 FFA Award Banquet	18	19 Judging Team Banquet	20	21
22	23 Chapter Officer Inter- views	24 Chapter Awards Ban- quet	25	26 FFA Take-Out BBQ #4	27	28
29	30 School Holiday—No School	31				

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 National FFA Delegate Apps Due	2 End of 2nd Semester / Graduation	3 MUHSD Non- Instructional Day	4 Merced County Fair
5 Merced County Fair	6 Merced County Fair	7 Merced County Fair	8 Merced County Fair	9 Merced County Fair	10 Merced County Fair	11 Merced County Fair
12 Merced County Fair	13	14 FFA Point Award Trip (TBD)	15 Student Fair Check Pick -Up / AET Day	16	17	18
19 CATA Conference— SLO	20 CATA Conference— SLO	21 CATA Conference— SLO	22 CATA Conference— SLO	23 CATA Conference— SLO	24 CATA Conference— SLO	25
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People are always observing you. Your actions when you wear the FFA jacket or represent the organization become part of the organization's image. To keep the image of the FFA and members sharp, delegates at the 1952 National FFA Convention adopted a Code of Ethics for FFA members to follow. The FFA Code of Ethics still protects the FFA image. It also guides members to make positive, healthy choices – and not only during FFA activities. The code of ethics guidelines are good to follow during all occasions and functions.

The FFA Code of Ethics

FFA Members conduct themselves at all times to be a credit to their organization, chapter, school, community and family. I pledge to:

- Develop my potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success
- Make a positive difference in the lives of others.
- Dress neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
- Respect the rights of others and their property.
- Be courteous, honest and fair with others.
- Communicate in an appropriate, purposeful and positive manner.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship by being modest and winning and generous in defeat.
- Make myself aware of FFA programs and activities and be an active participant.
- Conduct and value a supervised agricultural experience program.
- Strive to establish and enhance my skills through agricultural education in order to enter a successful career.
- Appreciate and promote diversity in our organization.

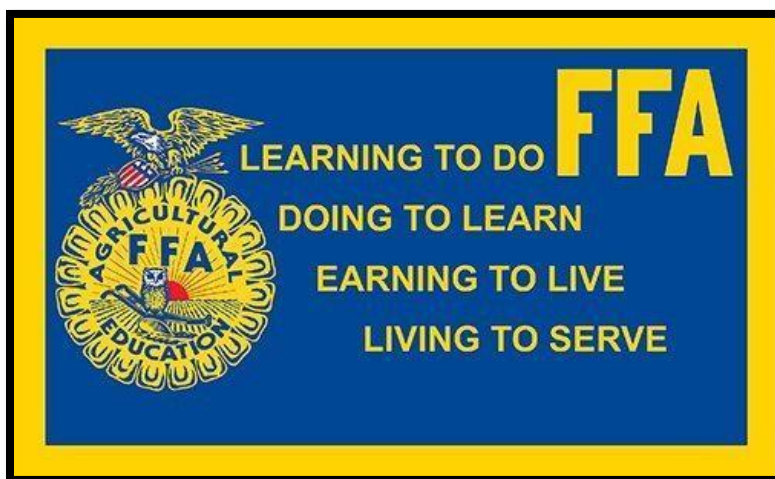
Colors

The National FFA Organization chose national blue and corn gold as its official colors in 1929. As the blue field of our nation's flag and the golden fields of ripened corn unify our country, the FFA colors give unity to the organization.



Motto

Many important things come in small containers. Although a diamond ring takes up a little space, it is extremely valuable. So, it is with the FFA motto. The motto has just 12 words, but those words are powerful.



Greenhand Leadership Conference (GLC)

Intro to Agricultural Education, Career Success

For Freshmen; One Day Event,
33 Conferences held in August, September and October

Introduces students to the benefits and opportunities in Agricultural Education, including SAE and FFA. This conference is the "hook-line-and-sinker" to get students to buy into Agricultural Education throughout their four years in high school.



Advanced Leadership Academy (ALA)

WE: Chapter Development, Personal Growth

For Juniors; Two Day Event, 8 Conferences held in January and February

Once a leader is comfortable with their own self and self-purpose, they can discover how to work with others and establish a goal. The process for analyzing program needs and improving a project or event is the focus of this conference as students discover how to be teams of innovative leaders in their chapter. This conference about "WE: the individual leader, their relationships with others and how to establish common vision."



Made for Excellence (MFE)

ME: Student Development, Personal Growth

For Sophomores; Two Day Event, 8 Conferences held in January and February

Personal development starts with the individual. Self-discovery of talents, strengths, interests and personal character are emphasized as the individual is channeled to discover their passion in life. This conference focuses on "Student Development and ME: one's personal skills and development of the ability to be successful."



Sacramento Leadership Experience (SLE)

DO: Community Development, Personal Growth

For Seniors; Four Day Event, 1 Conference held in February

Students step into the role of one of California's State legislators, are assigned a specific California district and spend four days in Sacramento. SLE is all about the role of government, agricultural policy and advocacy. This conference focuses on Community Development and DO: the ability of the individual leader and team to put their vision into action."



Washington Leadership Conference (WLC)

SERVE: Community Development, Personal Growth

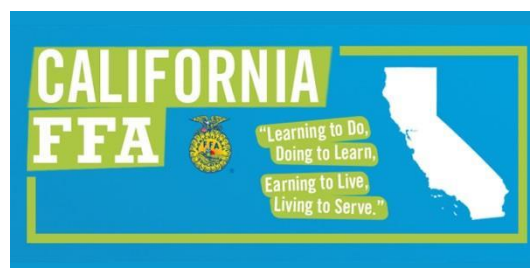
For All Members; Five Day Event, 7 Conferences held in June and July in Washington D.C.

FFA members leave WLC with the knowledge and the confidence to act in ways that help their schools, community, and their country. This conference focuses on Community Development and SERVE: the ability to grow and develop others and serve your community."



California FFA State Convention

For All Members; Four Day Event, 1 Convention held in April



Over 7,000 high school students, advisors and guests attend the largest annual state CTSO conference-- the California FFA State Leadership Conference will be held at the Anaheim Convention Center in 2018. The four-day conference attracts young agricultural leaders from over 300 chapters of California FFA.

The Convention encourages students to develop personal and team leadership skills, discover agricultural careers, establish lasting friendships and strive for success.

The Convention also will highlight student accomplishments in public speaking and production practices with proficiency awards, scholarships and special recognitions.

National FFA Convention & Expo

For All Members; Four Day Event, 1 Convention held in October

More than 60,000 attend the annual National FFA Convention & Expo, including students, teachers, school administrators, former FFA members and guests from throughout the country.

The event is the nation's largest annual gathering of students. Students have the opportunity to explore career and educational opportunities from more than 450 industry-leading exhibitors at the Expo and participate in hundreds of education workshops and tours.

While in Louisville, FFA members and other supporters from around the country will learn about careers in agriculture, compete for scholarships and awards, meet with industry leaders, volunteer in the Louisville community and learn skills they can take back to their home FFA chapter.



THE FFA CREED

I BELIEVE in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds - achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I BELIEVE that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I BELIEVE in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I BELIEVE in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so--for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I BELIEVE that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

The creed was written by E. M. Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. It was revised at the 38th Convention and the 63rd Convention.

Greenhand FFA Degree

To be eligible to receive the Greenhand FFA Degree from the chapter, a member must meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. Be enrolled in agricultural education and have satisfactory plans for a supervised agricultural experience program.
2. Learn and explain the FFA Creed, motto, salute and FFA mission statement.
3. Describe and explain the meaning of the FFA emblem and colors.
4. Demonstrate a knowledge of the FFA Code of Ethics and the proper use of the FFA jacket.
5. Demonstrate a knowledge of the history of the organization, the chapter constitution and bylaws and the chapter Program of Activities.
6. Personally, own or have access to the Official FFA Manual and the Official FFA Student Handbook.
7. Submit written application for the Greenhand FFA Degree.

Chapter FFA Degree

To be eligible to receive the Chapter FFA Degree from the chapter, a member must meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. Must have received the Greenhand FFA Degree.
2. Must have satisfactorily completed the equivalent of at least 180 hours of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at or above the ninth-grade level, have in operation an approved supervised agricultural experience program and be enrolled in an agriculture course.
3. Have participated in the planning and conducting of at least three official functions in the chapter's Program of Activities.
4. A student after entering agricultural education must have: a. Earned and productively invested at least \$150 by the member's own efforts; or worked at least 45 hours in excess of scheduled class time; or a combination thereof; and b. Developed plans for continued growth and improvement in a supervised agricultural experience program.
5. Have effectively led a group discussion for 15 minutes.
6. Have demonstrated five procedures of parliamentary law.
7. Show progress toward individual achievement in the FFA award programs.
8. Have a satisfactory scholastic record.
9. Have participated in at least 10 hours of community service activities. These hours are in addition to and cannot be duplicated as paid or unpaid supervised agricultural experience hours.
10. Submit a written application for the Chapter FFA Degree.

State FFA Degree

The State FFA Degree is awarded to FFA members who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to the California State FFA Association and made significant accomplishments in their Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAEs). Approximately 1,800 State FFA Degrees are handed out each year. That number represents approximately 3% of the California FFA association membership, making it the State's highest honor. In addition to their degree, each recipient receives a gold State FFA Degree charm.

Requirements:

- Must have held the Chapter FFA Degree for at least one year immediately preceding application for the State FFA Degree.
- Have been an active member of the FFA for at least two years preceding application for the State FFA Degree.
- Have worked for a minimum of 500 hours, in excess of scheduled class time, on his/her Supervised Agricultural Experience Program, and must have earned by his/her own efforts from an agricultural enterprise or other agriculturally-related work and deposited in a bank or otherwise productively invested at least \$1,000.00; or show an investment cost of at least \$2,000.00 in depreciable property inventory; or have earned by his/her own efforts from agricultural enterprise or other agriculturally-related work and deposited in a bank or otherwise productively invested a combination of dollars and unpaid labor hours which, when summed, equal at least \$1,000.00.
- Performing ten procedures of parliamentary law OR demonstrate proficiency in parliamentary law as evidenced by passing a written examination prepared and administered by the local agriculture instructor.
- Give a six-minute speech or lead a group discussion for forty-minutes on a topic relating to agriculture or the FFA.
- Serving as an officer, committee chairperson, or participating member of a committee.
- Participate in at least five distinctly different FFA activities at the chapter level.
- Participate in at least two distinctly different non-FFA school activities which are conducted outside of normal class time.
- Participate in activities for community improvement as evidenced by participating in at least two distinctly different activities, to the extent of spending at least 25 hours.

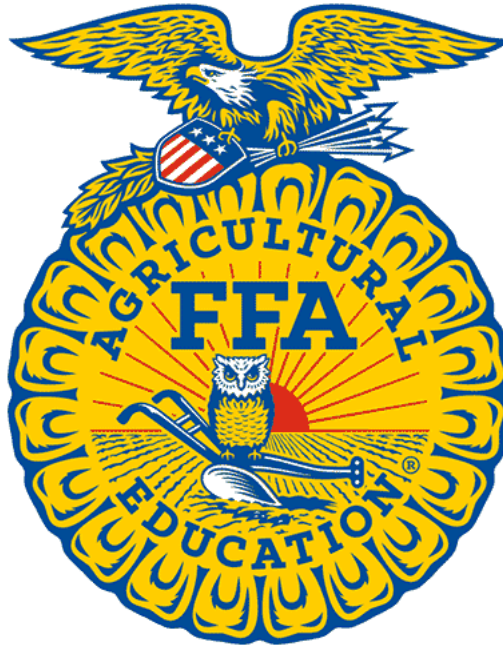
American FFA Degree

The American FFA Degree is awarded to members who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to FFA and made significant accomplishments in their supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs).

Requirements:

- Have received the State FFA Degree, have been an active member for the past three years (36 months) and have a record of satisfactory participation in the activities on the chapter and state level.
- Have satisfactorily completed the equivalent of at least three years (540 hours) of systematic secondary school instruction in an agricultural education program or have completed at least the equivalent of 360 hours of systematic secondary school instruction in agricultural education and one full year of enrollment in a postsecondary agricultural program or have completed the program of agricultural education offered in the secondary school last attended.
- Have graduated from high school at least 12 months prior to the national convention at which the degree is to be granted.
- Have in operation and have maintained records to substantiate an outstanding supervised agricultural experience program, through which the member has exhibited comprehensive planning and managerial and financial expertise. A student after entering agricultural education must have: (a) earned at least \$10,000 and productively invested \$7,500 or (b) Earned and productively invest \$2,000 and worked 2,250 hours in excess of scheduled class time. Any combination of hours, times a factor of 3.56, plus actual dollars earned and productively invested must be equal to or greater than the number 10,000. Hours used for the purpose of producing earnings reported as productively invested income shall not be duplicated as hours of credit to meet the minimum requirements for the degree.
- Have a record of outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement and have achieved a high school scholastic record of “C” or better as certified by the principal or superintendent.
- Have participated in at least 50 hours of community service within at least three different community service activities. These hours are in addition to and cannot be duplicated as paid or unpaid supervised agricultural experience hours.
- Applicants must submit an application electronically through ffa.org. Applicants must submit the signature page with the signatures of the chapter president, chapter advisor, superintendent or principal, and state advisor or state executive secretary, certifying accuracy of all statements in the application and that the applicant conducted him/herself in a manner to be a credit to the organization, chapter and community.

Many organizations have logos they use as part of their identity. As with most logos, the FFA emblem is symbolic. It contains five separate elements. Each element represents items or ideals that are important to the organization and its members.



The cross-section of an ear of corn serves as the emblem's foundation, just as corn has historically served as a foundation crop in American agriculture. Corn is also a symbol of unity because it is native to America and it is grown in every state.

The rising sun appears in the center of the emblem and symbolizes progress in agriculture and the confidence FFA members have in the future.

The plow is a symbol of labor and tillage of the soil.

The owl represents knowledge and wisdom.

The eagle is perched on top of the emblem and served as a reminder of our freedom and ability to explore new horizons for the future of agriculture.

Finally, the words, **"Agriculture Education"** surrounding the letters "FFA" indicate that the FFA is an important part of the agricultural education program.

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agriculture education.**

To accomplish this mission, FFA:

- Develops competent and assertive agriculture leadership
- Increases awareness of the global and technological importance of agriculture and its contribution to our well-being.
- Strengthens the confidence of agriculture students in themselves and their work.
- Promotes the intelligent choice and establishment of an agricultural career
- Encourages achievement in supervised agricultural experience programs
- Encourages wise management of economic, environmental and human resources of the community
- Develops interpersonal skills in teamwork, communications, human relations and social interaction.
- Builds character and promotes citizenship, volunteerism and patriotism.
- Promotes cooperation and cooperative attitudes among all people.
- Promotes healthy lifestyles.
- Encourages excellence in scholarship.



One of the most unifying elements for any group is its uniform. In FFA, the uniform members wear to local, state and national functions is called official dress. It provides identity and gives the organization a distinctive and recognizable image.

Proper Use of the FFA Jacket

- The jacket is to be worn only by members.
- The jacket should be kept clean and neat at all times.
- The back of the jacket includes only: a large official FFA emblem, the name of the state association and the name of the local chapter, district or area. The front of the jacket includes only: a small official FFA emblem, the name of the individual, one office or honor and the year of that office or honor.
- The jacket should be worn on official occasions with the zipper fastened to the top. The collar should be turned down and the cuffs buttoned.
- The jacket should be worn by members and officers on all official FFA occasions, as well as other occasions where the chapter or state association is represented. It may be worn to school and other appropriate places.
- The jacket should only be worn to places that are appropriate for members to visit.
- School letters and insignia should not be attached to or worn on the jacket.
- When the jacket becomes too faded and worn to wear in public, it should be discarded or the emblems and lettering should be removed.
- The emblems and lettering should be removed if the jacket is given or sold to a non-member.
- A member should act professionally when wearing the official FFA jacket.
- Members should refrain from use of tobacco and alcohol when underage and at all times when representing the FFA. In addition, members should exhibit their leadership qualities when they encounter substances including tobacco and alcohol and serve to discourage others from inappropriate behavior.
- All chapter degree, officer pins, and other award medals should be worn beneath the name on the right side of the jacket, with the exception that a single State FFA charm and American FFA key should be worn above the name or attached to a standard key chain. No more than three medals should be worn on the jacket; these should represent the highest degree earned, the highest office held, and the highest award earned by the member.

Official FFA Dress

- Official dress for female members is a black skirt, white blouse with blouse with official FFA scarf, black shoes, and official jacket zipped to the top. Black slacks may be worn for traveling and outdoor activities.
- The official dress for male members is black slacks, white shirt, official FFA tie, black shoes, black socks and the official jacket zipped to the top

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Atwater FFA
 2201 Fruitland Ave
 Atwater, CA 95301
 (209) 357-6025
 www.AtwaterFFA.org



To: FFA Students and Family
 From: Atwater High School Ag Dept.
 Re: **FFA Jacket & Tie / Scarf Orders**
 Date: April 12, 2020

- ☐ Check Payment Attached
☐ Cash Payment Attached
☐ FREE Jacket – Sold 8+ BBQ Tickets
 Ag Teacher Signature: _____

The Atwater High School Agriculture Department is accepting FFA jacket orders NOW through March 18th. Students planning to participate in future FFA activities such as leadership conferences, public speaking competitions, judging teams, county fairs, etc... MUST have an official FFA jacket and tie/scarf along with the following:

Male

Black pants (dress/cotton)
 White pants (show pants for county fair)
 Black shoes and socks
 Black belt
 White button dress shirt
 Official FFA Jacket and Tie

Female

Black skirt (knee length) or black pants
 White pants (show pants for county fair)
 Black shoes (socks or nylons)
 Black belt (if needed for pants)
 White dress shirt / blouse
 Official FFA Jacket and Scarf

The above uniform is required for student participation in chapter, sectional, regional, state, and national FFA activities. **The total cost for an official FFA jacket and tie/scarf is \$65.00.** If you would like to order a jacket, please make a check payable to the Atwater FFA in the amount of \$65.00. **Please print the name of the student CLEARLY with the appropriate size and return this form to the Ag Dept. no later than FRIDAY, April 16th. No late forms/payment will be accepted.**

The AHS Ag Dept. will provide students with sample jacket sizes and/or tape measures to ensure proper size jacket is ordered.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Mesa, Mr. Meredith, Mrs. Borba, Mrs. Mesa, Mr. Flatt, Ms. Helton, Mr. Vargas, or Mr. Gossman at any time (209) 357-6025.

Name of Student: _____

The following size will be determined by the AHS Ag Department staff.
Students NEED TO BE measured for correct size in Ag Office by Ag instructor.

Jacket Size (To be completed by AHS Ag Dept.): _____ Male Jacket _____ Female Jacket

What if you could get classroom credit and FFA awards for doing what you like: experimenting with careers, earning money, building a resume and having fun? You can – with a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program. An SAE is a program you design to gain hands-on experience and develop skills in agricultural career areas that interest you.

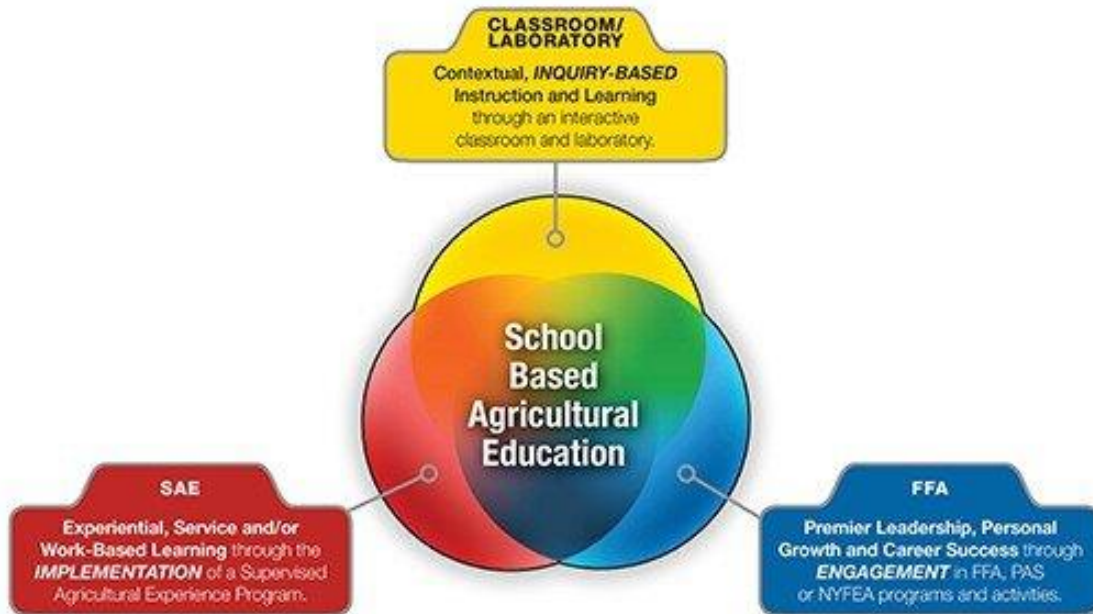
You choose an SAE program that lets you discover, explore, experience and excel in careers. In the meantime, you gain skills and experience that pay off in areas of life. Your SAE program can lead you toward personal growth, premier leadership, and career success.

An SAE program is not just another class assignment or graduation requirement. You are truly in charge of your SAE! Although your agriculture teacher will help you learn related information and keep good records, the success or failure of your SAE is up to you. It's an exciting opportunity to prove your abilities to future employers – and to yourself.

Atwater FFA SAE Program

- ❖ The Chapter will encourage all members to maintain a Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) program.
- ❖ The Chapter will encourage members to compete at shows with their SAE.
 - All Chapter members are expected to work as a team at all fairs and shows
 - The Chapter will conduct an Exhibitors / Parent evening to inform parents and members of a member's responsibilities.
 - The Chapter will require parents of all first-time exhibitors to attend a meeting conducted by the Chapter Advisors. This meeting will serve as an informal session to allow parents / exhibitors to become aware of the expectations and responsibilities placed on the Chapter exhibitor.
 - All projects exhibited at fairs and shows by members of the Chapter must be entered in the FFA division and only with Advisor approval and supervision.
 - Members exhibiting at fairs must maintain academic requirements set forth by Atwater High School and the Atwater Agriculture Program and FFA. In order to participate in any activity beyond the chapter level, an individual must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA, cannot have more than one F, and cannot have received less than a C grade in any Agriculture class the last eligibility period to the event.

- Additional eligibility rule – Students will be given one chance for scholastic ineligibility for showing at fairs. If a student becomes ineligible to show at a fair that they had planned to show, the student will receive a warning. If the same student should become ineligible again to show at a fair that they had planned to show at, the student will no longer be eligible to show with Atwater FFA.
- Members are encouraged to apply for local, regional and state proficiency awards.
- Members are encouraged to apply for advanced degrees (i.e., State FFA Degree)
- Members are encouraged to compete in the Local and Sectional Project Competition.
- Members are required to follow project Advisor's recommendations concerning their SAE.
- Members are encouraged to strive to improve and develop their SAE each year.
 - ◆ Encourage members to develop skills within their SAE through participation and appropriate judging teams.
 - ◆ Members are encouraged to attend demonstrations, breeding shows, and equipment shows which will enable them to increase their efficiency and knowledge of their SAE.
- ❖ Members are encouraged to provide support and help their fellow Chapter members.





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The Atwater FFA became an official chapter (#281) with the California FFA Association during the 1957-1958 school year. The following pages showcase state and national chapter and individual recognition.

California State FFA Degree Recipients

The California State FFA Degree is the highest degree a student can earn at the state level. A State FFA Degree recipient has taken FFA involvement beyond the chapter level and had a successful SAE program. The following names are individuals who have earned their California State FFA Degree through the Atwater FFA:

1979-1980

Kerwin Grissom

1980-1981

Rich DeSousa
Kandace Heller
Tom Schmidt
Kevin Sorensen
Andrew Todd

1981-1982

Chris Beutel
Scott Clamp
Matt Machado
Paul Machado
Kathy Pareira
Jon Schmidt
Robbie Stanford
Andy Taylor
Sonya Veldhuis
John White
Ryan Williams

1982-1983

Stacy McDowell
Greg Rieke
Eric Sorensen
Fred Souza
Ramie Stone
Laura Terra
Roslynn Williams

1983-1984

Monica Bairos
Monique Bolcao
Loren Freitas
Sharee Lemas
Derick Locke

James Pacheco
Catherine Schmidt
Trent Sherman
Stan Souza
Joseph Vierra

1984-1985

Jessica Brooks
Greg Cardey
Scott Cortinas
Danny Dutra
Jeff Hammar
Amber Houska
Troy Lindenberg
Rick Little
Tina Nichols
Jimmy Pitcock
Todd Rinkenberger
John Sexauer
Fatima Silva
Toni Teixeira
Manual Whitaker

1985-1986

Scott Chatham
David Ferroni
Victoria Freitas
Tony Homen
Todd Lemas
Justin Pareira
Troy Rinkenberger
Scot Sherman
John Silva
Kelly Vierra
Tony Wilson

1986-1987

Mike Barry

Chester Bradley
Melissa Brown
David Bryson
James Butrym
Allen Cline
Justin Covert
Liz Escobar
Tammy Farmer
Angela Grandov
Richard M. Gresio Jr.
Shirley Harrison
Beatrice Hildreth
Scott Koehn
Michelle Lemmon
Marco Leao
Elder Lopes
Robert Lunsford
Mal Machado
David McDowell
Katherine Meadows
Eileen Miller
Sayf Munir
Dayna Nachtigal
Joseph Pacheco
David Pearce
Michelle Toconis
Melissa Vieria
Christie Wood

1987-1988

John Blevins
Duarte Borges
Danielle Buzbee
Chris Cardey
Marc Haywood
Scott Hosburgh
Chris Kowalski
Stefanie Prine

Tracey Row
Annette Stanford
Melanie Toews
Katrina Watson

1988-1989

Mike Burdick
Lisa Cabral
Nathan Cabral
Ronda Codd
Margaret Crawford
Richard Freitas Jr.
Jacklin Gamble
Chris Hernandez
James Lencioni
Tony Lunsford
Stayci Maddox
Alicia McGrath
Venita Sherrell
Denise Strauss

1989-1990

Jeanna Alves
Don Benordon
Frank Cardenas
Debra Cardoza
David Corvelo
Jared Covert
Zak DeBoer
Tammy Fraguglia
Lynette McGill
Jaime Macias
Sean D. Mounts
Chris O'Gara
Jason Plagenza
Bruce M. Santos
Steve Santos
Frank Shaw
Wade A. Shaw
Cherie Steck
Joey Wren
Jose A. Zarate

1990-1991

Ed Agueda
Michelle Armas
Nelly Barcelos
Jennifer Clark

Paul Garcia
Kevin Hammon
Jose Hernandez
Adam Johnston
Brian Laranjo
Jaime Leon
Lesia Prine
Desiree Romero
Jennifer Romero
Shane Roppoli
Stefanie St. John
Tina White

1991-1992

Tony D. Agueda
Richard Alvernaz
Tony Avila
Edward Casaday
Kaci Childers
Norbet S. Duarte
John Jimenez
Jason Latronica
Joseph F. Martin
Ed Mello
John Mendes
Mary Nichols
Shane D. Patterson
Diahann J. Selkow
David J. Souza
Allison Tassey
Mark Walker

1992-1993

David Avelar
Matt Baptista
Kory Billings
Michelle Duarte
Noel Nunes
Mandy Rommel
Jenny Silva

1993-1994

Danny Agueda
Dario Avila
Benjamin Bese
Gerald Borba
Joseph Burroughs
Travis Cox

Elia DelToro
Gus DelToro
Melissa Diaz
Kathleen Does
Levi Dukes
Joey Dutra
Luis Garaveto
Paula Gonzales
Joshua Hanson
Jeremy Johnson
Brian Keiser
Cody Kingston
Summer Lentz
Anthony Lucich
Manuel Machado
Desi McComb
Michelle Mello
Richard Mello
Horacio Oliveira
Tim Petersen
Jason Rider
Tara Rocha
Mark Sherman
Jeff Tucker
Sarah Walker
Libby Weathers
Randy White

1994-1995

John Anderson
Benina Burroughs
James Burroughs
Robin Gamble
Michelle Giordano
Samantha Guenther
Lee Lancaster
Richard Lancaster
Gina Lucich
Sean Martin
Jacob Martinez
Andy McMurry
Stacey Mello
Mark Pimentel
Abbi Plagenza
Gabriel Santos
David Sullivan

1995-1996

Leslie Avila
Spence Beckstead
Heather Carter
Adam Casso
Eric Harcksen
Goretti Machado
Isabel Madruga
Sage Miekle
Dave Nunes
Zach Plagenza
Sandy Richardson
Bryan Tassey
Janine Xavier

1996-1997

Gina Armas
Christina Avila
Holly Baker
Brian Baptista
Amy Bauer
Nicole Bettencourt
Mary F. Burroughs
Anthony Cabral
Janeffer Caetano
Kelly Etheridge
Tricia Fowler
Robert Fragulia
Erin Fucillo
Robert Gamble
Heather R. Gibson
Maria Hendrickson
Kari Loewen
Miguel Lopez
Matthew Migliazzo
Sara Miller
Patricia Johnson
Christina Parreira
Jarrod Pimentel
Stephanie Powers
Khyla Smith
Tait Tezo
Addie Trip

1997-1998

Elizabeth Avila
Craig Arnold
Suzanne Baker

Elizabeth Bristow
Shauna Brown
Angela Cabrera
Vanessa Carter
Karen Corvelo
April Frank
Jennifer Gallaway
Karie Haygood
Joey Horta
Rhett Kennedy
Laurie Lucich
Danny Machado
Frank Machado
Junior Machado
Jeremy Mancebo
Jeni McClesky
Bobbie Nelson
Alan Olivera
Shane Pack
Alan Oliveira
Shane Pack
Ryan Passadori
April Perry
Ramianne Plagenza
Katie Rommel
Kristi Rommel
Kristi Sliva
Allison Smith
Eric Souza
Corrie Stone
Jennifer Thomas
Jennifer Trinadale

1998-1999

Alex Alvarez
Stephanie Avila
Lindsey Buendia
Candice Burrola
Zebulon Borroughs
Cory Condren
Kenneth Correia
Annie Fagundes
Molly Fagundes
Justin Ferreira
Gary Goucher
Jason Haygood
Amber R. Huff
Amanda Johnson

Brad Kessler
Greg Kessler
Benjamin Migliazzo
David Nelson
Christopher Oliveria
LeeAnne Painter
Sarina Rocha
Cari Sedgwick
Kyle J Pimentel
Chris Smith
Nina Trindade

1999-2000

Debby Akers
Dann Ambriz
Garland Austin Jr.
Trista Condren
Tony Does
Matt Freeman
Jenette LaMere
Rosewitha Lancaster
Chor Moua
Bryan Ray
Ashley Regalo
Jennifer Sandford
Anthony Santos
Anthony Sodini
Steven Wolff
Jessica Trindade

2000-2001

Katie A. Arnold
Heather Barnes
Molly Bettencourt
Ryan Burnthorne
Meggie Fagundes
Linda Garcia
Denita Howard
LeAnne Lindenberg
Todd Machado
James Oliveria
Rianna Xavier

2001-2002

Cesar Avila
Leoterio Borges
Jenny Correia
Brandon Fullerton

Travis Hosburgh
Cynthia Machado
Jill McIver
Chris Migliazzo
John Migliazzo
Danny Royer
Tiffany Sheppa
Felipe Sousa
Shane Waterman

2002-2003

Tara Albrecht
Patricia Pimentel
Cesar Sanchez

2003-2004

Jason Dore
Jacquelyn Grande
Bobby Lax
Sarah Magneson
Jessica McAdams
Cody Ratley
Amy Wright

2004-2005

Christy Copeland
Brandon Johnson
Christina Menezes
Jessica Mooneyham
Ryan Pimentel
Cece Villasenor
Rudy Ybarra

2005-2006

Denae Choquette
Kylie Lax
Julia Pedro
Eric Wunder

2006-2007

Javier Garcia
Caryn Granger
Richardo Luna
Annalysa Pimentel
Alys Scoggins
Rebbie Shelton
Brittini Wagner

2007-2008

Hector Ayala
Jake Baraldi
Jose Cardona
Kristelle Choquette
Shawn Conour
Ali Copeland
Bryce Dibble
Ceicali Kuykendall
Saul Lua
Milissa Payne
Catherine Payton
John Pedro
Brock Pisacco
Jorge Pulido
Katheline Reyes
Brenae Royal
Kaylyn Schiber
Lauren Thomas
Brogan Wagner
Lacey Wilcox
Donovan Woodward

2008-2009

Joslyn Apodaca
Kellie Bergstrom
Adam Cruz
Jenna Cruz
Stefani Dias
Amber Dutra
Jesus Gonzales
Briana Hamamoto
Curtis Kelly
Lauren Navarro
Matiana Rivera
Grant Rose
Amada Sevilla
Jenna Shelto

2009 – 2010

Guadalupe Ayala
Terilyn Bettencourt
Keziah Brigham
John Brownwood
Sasha Del Muro
Laura Gonzalez
Elani Goodhart
Ricky Ornelas

Paul Ortiz
Ashely Payton
Lilly Reyes
Nikki Schiber
William Thomas
Collette Wilcox

2010 – 2011

Emily Beresford
Timothy Demma
Brian Dennis
Marisa Jorge
Samuel Lord-Huff
Corey Mesa
Jacob Minor
Richard Ornelas
Stephanie Quintana
Mason Rose
Vanessa Sevilla
Nicole Sharafian
Tawny Smith
Amanda Solis
James Summerton
Christina Willman
Matt Woods

2011 – 2012

Brandy Benefield
Vanessa Del Toro
Mayra Hernandez
Nayeli Hernandez
Chuck Lord-Huff
Hilliary Junsay
Brie Mansker
Courtney Miscione
Sarah Rogers
Carolyn Schiber
Cheyenne Schoonover
Cailyn Yerrick
Jasmine Zapien

2012 – 2013

Susana Brasil
Katelyn Davis
Amy Dutra
Taylor Ferreira
Kevin Graham
Valorie Hasko
Heather Lewandowski

Trazarra Manuel
Kayla Marks
Donald Moles
Betsy Nielsen
Thomas Payton
Michele Rodriguez
Logan Taylor
Hans van Warmerdam
Caresse Wilson-Cotter

2013 – 2014

Joanna Castro
Ashley Clark
Juan Favela
Viviana Jimenez
Giancarlo Kamesch
Madison Kingston
Kirsten Knobloch
Francisco Macias
Michael Marcelino
Makala Navarro
Karla Nuno
Gilbert Rodriguez
Kim Sabine
Ryan Sanchez
Bernadette Sevilla
Jesse Tafoya
Eduardo Vera
Hannah vanWarmerdam
Keith Wright

2014 – 2015

Joseph Avila-Vargas
Cheyenne Birmingham
Francis Britton
Austin Conour
Sandra Duran
Heidi Garcia
Chrissy Lewandowski
Joseph Kamesch
Sam Knight
Ryan Machado-Bell
Amber Miller
Wyatt Pimentel
Emma Reyes
Kati Reis
Amanda Skidmore
Andrew Skidmore

Courtney Walsh
Brittany Weins
Sidney Weiss
Alex Zapien

2015 – 2016

Dayana Argueta
Vince Baraldi
Austin Burris
Blake Brigham
Jeff Clark
Courtney Creighton
Jasmine Flores
Trystan Geisbrecht
Cynthia Griffin
Madison Hall
Juan Hernandez
Juan Hurtado
Daniel Mesa
Juliet Montanez
Erica Perez
Brook Ramirez
Tyler Russell
Daniel Smith
Christian Stallworth
Jordan Turner
Daniel Vann

2016 - 2017

Hannah Carrillo
Briana Diaz
Audrey Esau
Amanjot Gandhoke
Kelsi Kamesch
Callie Norton
Ariana Rezendez
Luke van Warmerdam
Natalie Williams
Kyle Yerrick

2017-2018

Marcos Ahumada
Kassia Beznoska
Paige Brigham
Zion Brigham
Kaya Briscoe
Makenna Caldie
Kendyll Cruz

Catalina Diaz
Megan Escobar
Belinda Espinoza
Dahlia Flores
Daisy Flores
Natalie Frontella
Jonathan Garcia
Nicholas Giesbrecht
Renessa Hardin
Emily Junez
Victoria Lopez
Ana Lozano
Emily McCartney
Sidney Miller
Anthony Naranjo
Ricardo Ortega,
Joel Rojas
Sayra Ramos
Samantha Theodozio
Wyatt Tucker
Stephania Valdovinos

2018 - 2019

Sarah Baird
Michael Bray
Hailey Burris
Dakota Cook
Mikeal Duran
Colby Flatt
Janell Gonzalez
Cassidy Kingston
Emmanuel Mejia
Karalynn Isham
Faith Johnson
Grace Reyes
Haleigh Thomas
Chelsea Thompson
Liliana Vargas

2019-2020

Flor Agundis
Kiah Betschart
Alyssa Carrillo
Kendall Flatt
Adam Freitas
Simarjot Gandhoke
Emma Garcia

Vanessa Garcia
Haley Hultgren
Daniel Lopez
Sabrina Lopez
Jerrod Nickerson
Sophia Rhoades
Jillian Stewart
Litzy Suastigui
Vanessa Varela
Haley Vargas
Jennifer Velasquez
Cristal Venegas
Abigail Wilson

2020-2021

Yureili Aguila
Kate Brigham
Tristan Cardey
Teresa Cavallero
Celeste Chargoy Velasco
Jessica Garcia
Naomy Gonzalez
Allison Hall
Gabriella Lucas
Gabriela Moreno
Daniel Narez
Alyssa Perez
Michell Pena
Stefani Sanchez
Joshua Vann
Alonso Villanueva-Serrano

American FFA Degree Recipients

As the highest degree achievable in the National FFA Organization, receiving the American FFA Degree shows an FFA member's dedication to his or her chapter and state FFA associations. American FFA Degree recipients show promise for their future and have gone above and beyond to achieve excellence.

State Champion CDE Teams

Career development events (CDE's) are opportunities to develop skills that can be used in a future career. There are 24 different career development events available for team/individual competition at the state and national level.

Proficiency Award Recipients

Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) proficiency areas are programs where students are working for an individual or business for the experience or for pay. There are 51 proficiencies recognized at the state and national level.

The following is a history of state and national awards/accomplishments recognizing the Atwater FFA Chapter and Atwater FFA individuals:

1979-1980

- Superior Chapter

1980-1981

- Superior Chapter

1981-1982

- Star Advisor – Stan Mollart

1982-1983

- Superior Chapter

1983-1984

- Star Reporter – JoAnn Lourenco
- Superior Chapter

1984-1985

- Central Region President – Monique Bolaco
- Specialty Animal Production – Jessica Brooks
- Star Advisor – Ray Munir

1985-1986

- American Degree – Chris Sumpter
- Star Farmer – Todd Rinkenberger

1986-1987

- Honorary American Farmer – Ray Munir
- National Scholarship – Greg Cardey

- State Treasurer – Todd Rinkenberger

1987-1988

- American Degree– Greg Cardey, Loren E. Freitas, Victoria A. Freitas, Todd Rinkenberger
- Central Region President– Sayf Munir
- National Scholarships– Sayf Munir
- Proficiency Award in Swine Production– Joseph Pacheco
- Star in Ag Business– Duarte Borges

1988-1989

- Honorary American Farmer– Mark Anglin
- Proficiency Award in Agricultural Mechanics– Doug Cameron II

1989-1990

- American Degree– Duarte Borges, David Bryson, Scott Koehn, Sayf Munir, Dayna Nachtigal, Joseph Pacheco, Scot Sherman
- Proficiency Award in Horse Production– Lynnette McGill
- State Champion CDE– Parliamentary Procedure Novice

1990-1991

- American Degree– Chris Cardey
- State Champion CDE–Parliamentary Procedure Advanced

1991-1992

- Agriscience Teacher of the Year– Ray Munir
- Proficiency Award in Placement in Agricultural Production–Bruce Santos
- State Champion CDE– Light Horse
- Superior Chapter

1992-1993

- American Degree– Lynnette McGill, Bruce Santos
- Superior Chapter

1993-1994

- National Scholarship– Noel Nunes
- Proficiency Award in Horse Production– Mandy Rommel
- Proficiency Award in Placement in Agricultural Production– Norbert Duarte
- Superior Chapter

1994-1995

- American Degree– Eduard Mello, Shane Patterson, David Souza
- National Scholarships– Libby Weathers
- Proficiency Award in Swine Production– John Anderson
- Star Farmer– Noel Nunes
- State Scholarships– Allison Tassey
- Superior Chapter

1995-1996

- American Degree– Mandy Rommel, Allison Tassey
- State Champion CDE– Fruit Judging, Marketing Plan
- Superior Chapter

1996-1997

- American Degree– John Anderson, Dario Avila, Anthony A. Lucich, Manuel Machado, Mark Sherman, Libby Weathers
- Central Region President– Bryan Tassey

- National Convention Delegate– Bryan Tassey
- Proficiency Award in Pomology Production Placement– Eric Harcksen
- Star Advisor– Mark Anglin
- State Champion CDE– Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

1997-1998

- American Degree– Benina Burroughs, Gabriel Santos
- National Proficiency Award in Fruit and Vegetable Production– Eric Harcksen
- Proficiency Award in Soil and Water Management– Eric Harcksen
- Proficiency Award in Specialty Crop Production– Allison Smith
- Proficiency Award in Wildlife Management– Suzanne Baker
- Superior Chapter

1998-1999

- American Degree– Eric Harcksen, Bryan Tassey, Janine Xavier
- National Proficiency Award in Wildlife Management– Suzanne Baker
- Proficiency Award Olericulture Production Entrepreneurship– Craig Arnold
- Star Reporter– Molly Fagundes
- Superior Chapter

1999-2000

- American Degree– Christina Avila, Holly Baker, Adam Casso, Tricia Fowler, Jennifer Galalway, Patricia Johnson, Rhett Kennedy, Frank Machado, Matthew Migliazzo, Bobbie Nelson, Jenni McCleskey, Shane Peck
- National Convention Delegate– Molly Fagundes
- National Scholarship– Molly Fagundes
- Proficiency Award in Ag Communications– Elizabeth Avila
- Proficiency Award in Dairy Production Placement– Danny Machado

- National FFA Chapter Award – Gold Recipient

2000-2001

- American Degree– Craig Arnold, Karie Haygood, Christina Hendrickson, Joey Horta, Brad Kessler, Danny Machado, Alan Oliveira Jr., Katie Rommel, Kristi Silva, Carrie Stone, Jennifer Trindade, Joey Xavier
- Proficiency Award in Beef Production Placement– Zeb Burroughs
- Proficiency Award in Food Science and Technology– Molly Fagundes
- State Champion CDE– Prepared Speaking; Meggie Fagundes
- State Star Reporter– Meggie Fagundes
- Superior Chapter

2001-2002

- Central Region President– Meggie Fagundes
- State Vice President– Molly Fagundes

2002-2003

- State Scholarship– Molly Fagundes
- Superior Chapter

2003-2004

- Superior Chapter

2004-2005

- American Degree– Meggie Fagundes
- Star State Reporter– Mai Chia Yang
- State Band– Jorge Pulido, Brenae Royal
- State Champion CDE– Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

2005-2006

- American Degree– Bobby Lax, John Migliazzo
- National Convention Delegate– Christina Menezes
- State Champion CDE– Floriculture
- State Scholarship– Christina Menezes
- Superior Chapter

2006-2007

- Star State Reporter– Kaylyn Schiber
- State Band– Katheline Reyes, Brenae Royal
- Superior Chapter

2007-2008

- Star Administrator– Linda Lucas
- State Band– Jorge Pulido, Brenae Royal, Katheline Reyes
- Superior Chapter

2008-2009

- State FFA Reporter – Kaylyn Schiber
- Star State Reporter – Lilly Reyes
- State Champion CDE – Nursery and Landscape
- State Champion CDE Scrapbook – Atwater FFA
- State Band – Elani Goodhart, Stefani Dias
- Superior Chapter

2009 – 2010

- American Degrees – Kaylyn Schiber
- CATA/NAAE – 2010 Outstanding California Middle/Secondary High School Agriculture Program
- Star State Reporter – Mekayla Coughran
- State Champion CDE – Light Horse
- State Band – Elani Goodhart
- State Nominating Committee – Terilyn Bettencourt
- Superior Chapter

2010 – 2011

- American Degree – Lauren Navarro
- Star Agriscience Teacher – Beth Knapp
- Star State Reporter – Carolyn Schiber
- State Champion CDE – Agronomy
- Superior Chapter

2011 – 2012

- American Degree – Stefani Dias
- CATA Teacher of Excellence – Dave Gossman
- National FFA Chapter Award – Gold Recipient

- State Champion CDE – Agronomy
- State Champion CDE – Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

2012 – 2013

- American Degree – Mason Rose
- National FFA Chapter Award – Gold Recipient
- State Champion CDE – Agronomy
- State Champion CDE – Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

2013 – 2014

- American Degree – Corey Mesa
- CATA – 2014 Outstanding California Middle/Secondary High School Agriculture Program
- National FFA Chapter Award – Gold Recipient
- Star State Reporter – Emma Reyes
- State Champion CDE – Ag Mechanics
- State Champion CDE – Agronomy
- State Champion CDE – Cotton
- State Champion CDE – Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

2014 – 2015

- CATA – 2015 Outstanding Young Teacher Award – Natalie Borba
- CATA Teacher of Excellence – Sam Meredith
- State Champion CDE – Cotton
- State Champion CDE – Grapevines
- National FFA Chapter Award – Gold Recipient
- Superior Chapter

2015 – 2016

- CATA Teacher of Excellence – Sam Meredith
- State Champion LDE – Extemporaneous Speaking (National Champion)
- State Champion CDE – Marketing Plan (National Champion)

- State Champion CDE – Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
- Superior Chapter

2016 – 2017

- State Champion CDE – Agronomy
- State Champion CDE – Floriculture
- State Champion CDE – Nursery and Landscape
- State FFA President – Andrew Skidmore
- State FFA Secretary – Amanda Skidmore
- Superior Chapter

2017- 2018

- American Degree – Courtney Creighton
- American Degree – Jasmine Flores
- American Degree – Madison Hall
- American Degree – Wyatt Pimentel
- State FFA Vice President – Jasmine Flores
- State / National FFA Proficiency in “Small Animal Production and Care – Kaya Briscoe
- Superior Chapter

2018 – 2019

- CATA Outstanding Young Teacher – Kaylyn Davenport
- State Champion CDE – Marketing Plan
- Superior Chapter

2019 – 2020

- State Champion CDE – Cotton
- CATA Merced Mariposa Outstanding Teacher – Kim Mesa
- Proficiency in Poultry Production
- Entrepreneurship – Colby Flatt
- Proficiency in Goat Production Placement – Michael Bray
- Proficiency in Small Animal Production – Michael Bray
- State Proficiency in Equine Entrepreneurship – Kiah Betschart
- State Scholarship – Emmanuel Mejia
- State Scholarship – Michael Bray
- American Degree – Blake Brigham
- American Degree – Paige Brigham
- American Degree – Samantha Theodozio

- American Degree – Callie Norton
- American Degree – Daniel Mesa
- American Degree – Jeff Clark
- American Degree – Kayalynn Briscoe-Mattis
- American Degree – Ricardo Ortega
- American Degree – Stephania Valdovinos
- American Degree – Wyatt Tucker
- American Degree – Zion Brigham

2020-2021

- CATA Teacher of Excellence – Natalie Borba
- CATA Outstanding Young Teacher – Kim Mesa
- State Champion CDE – Milk Quality and Dairy Foods Team
- Reserve State Champion CDE – Farm Business Management
- Proficiency in Small Animal Production and Care – Tristan Cardey
- Proficiency in Diversified Livestock Production – Kiah Betschart
- American Degree – Colby Flatt
- American Degree – Jarrod Nickerson
- American Degree – Michael Bray
- American Degree – Victor Mejia

2021-2022

A meeting for the purpose of forming the California Association of the Future Farmers of America was held at Hotel Claremont, Oakland, October 26, 1928. This was prior to the National FFA Organization meeting of November 20, 1928, which was held at the Hotel Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri. Following the National Convention, California received National Charter No. 4. Below is a short timeline of California FFA and Agriculture Education. To learn more about California FFA, visit www.calaged.org.

1800's: Agriculture College Program was at UC Berkeley

1903: Cal Poly SLO opened the first Voc-Ed High School

1905: UC Davis became a vocational agriculture high school. Bakersfield HS in Kern County was the first comprehensive high school to offer agriculture education.

1908: Gardena High School formed an agriculture program.

1909: Oxnard and Imperial High Schools started agriculture programs.

1911: 25 schools began offering agricultural education.

1916: 93 schools offered agricultural education.

1920: California Agricultural Teachers' Association (CATA) was formed.

1922: Judging contests were initiated.

1923: California State Fair began.

1926: First regional supervisor for agricultural education was hired and located at Fresno State Teachers' College.

1927: Six regional supervisors were on staff.

1928: National Future Farmers of American was formed in Kansas City, Missouri.

1929: First State Convention held for the California Future Farmers of America.

1934: State FFA Convention moved to Cal Poly SLO.

1939: 187 chapters in the California FFA with 8,868 students enrolled in agriculture education.

1940: Cal Poly SLO became a four-year college.

1949: Junior colleges were reimbursed by the Smith-Hughes Vocational Education Act.

1951: 210 high school programs in agricultural education.

1961: 230 high school programs in agricultural education.

1963: Agriculture was defined as more than “farming”.

1965: Fresno State started providing credentialed teachers for the agricultural education profession.

1969: 294 schools with agriculture programs accounting for 28,621 students First year girls were allowed to be FFA members.

1981: 405 schools had agriculture programs accounting for 45,780 students.

1981: CATA hired a full-time Executive Director – first in the country.

1994: After sixty years as Cal Poly, the State FFA Convention was relocated to Fresno.

2005: California FFA surpassed Texas to become the largest State Association in FFA membership.

2009: Proficiency award areas increased to 53.

2014: 314 high schools had agricultural education programs which accounted for 76,451 students.

2015: Over 5,000 students will attend the State FFA Convention in Fresno.

2017: After 23 years in Fresno, the State FFA Convention was relocated to Anaheim.

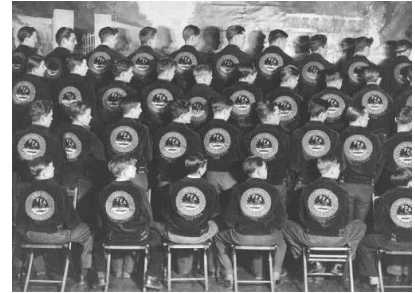
2020: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, State FFA Convention was held virtually.

2021: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, State FFA Convention was held virtually.

The Beginning

The roots of FFA originate from a time when boys were losing interest and leaving the farm. Walter S. Newman, who in September 1925 became the Virginia State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, sought a solution to the problem with Edmund C. Magill, Harry W. Sanders and Henry C. Groseclose, staff members of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Agricultural Education Department.

Newman proposed forming an organization that offered farm boys "a greater opportunity for self-expression and for the development of leadership. In this way they will develop confidence in their own ability and pride in the fact that they are farm boys." Groseclose immediately began work on a constitution and bylaws for the new organization, and he later suggested a name: Future Farmers of Virginia. The idea was presented during an annual vocational rally in the state in April 1926, where it was met positively. The Future Farmers of Virginia was born.



Two years later, the idea reached the national stage during the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City, Mo. That's when 33 young students from 18 states gathered at the Hotel Baltimore to establish the Future Farmers of America. The group elected Leslie Applegate of Freehold, N.J., as its first president and adopted the national emblem – a mark similar to that of the original Virginia emblem – during the new organization's first convention.

In 1929, national blue and corn gold became the official colors of FFA. A year later, delegates adopted the official FFA Creed and by 1933 the familiar Official Dress of blue corduroy jackets was adopted after convention delegates were enthralled by the jackets worn to Kansas City by members of the Fredericktown, Ohio, FFA chapter.

The New Farmers of America

Less than a decade after the formation of the Future Farmers of America in 1928, a national organization for African-American boys interested in agriculture formed in Tuskegee, Ala. The New Farmers of America was modeled after another Virginia organization – the New Farmers of Virginia – and began in 1935. The New Farmers of Virginia was instrumentally started by G.W. Owens and J.R. Thomas, teacher-educators in agricultural education at Virginia State College, and Dr. H.O. Sargent, a federal agricultural education official who later proposed NFA.



The NFA and FFA shared common beliefs. The NFA Creed had six paragraphs, each beginning with "I believe," and its emblem featured only one stylistic difference: an outline in the shape of a cotton boll instead of an ear of corn. A total of 13 states received NFA charters, and by 1965 the NFA and FFA consolidated in recognition of shared missions for agricultural education. In 1973, Texas' Fred McClure became the first African-American national FFA officer, and in 1994 Chicago's Corey Flournoy became the first African-American national FFA president.

Female Members Gain Official Standing

Girls were restricted from the earliest forms of FFA membership by delegate vote at the 1930 national convention. The decision to deny female members for many years denied recognition of the key role women have played on farms and in agriculture since the days of the American pioneers. It wasn't until 1969 that females gained full FFA membership privileges by vote of the national convention delegates, despite many state associations permitting female members long before. New York's Anita Decker and New Jersey's Patricia Krowicki became the first two female delegates to the national convention in 1970.



Today, females represent more than 45 percent of FFA members and roughly half of all state leadership positions. In 1976, Washington's Julie Smiley became the first female national FFA officer. California's Jan Eberly became the first female National FFA President in 1982. In 2002, Wisconsin's Karlene Lindow became the first female FFA member to earn the prestigious American Star Farmer Award.

FFA Today

Since 1928, millions of agriculture students have donned the official FFA jacket and championed the FFA Creed. All 50 states and two U.S. territories are currently chartered members of the national organization, representing 653,359 student members who belong to one of 8,568 local FFA chapters. It's a testament to the power of common goals and the strong ideals of the FFA founders. Their mission was to prepare future generations for the challenges of feeding a growing population. They taught us that agriculture is more than planting and harvesting – it's a science, it's a business and it's an art.

Today, the National FFA Organization remains committed to the individual student, providing a path to achievement in premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. FFA continues to help the next generation rise up to meet those challenges by helping its members to develop their own unique talents and explore their interests in a broad range of agricultural career pathways. To learn more about the National FFA, visit www.ffa.org.



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Chapter President

Allison Garner

Grade: Junior

SAE: Sheep

CDE: Land and Soil

LDE: Parliamentary Procedure



Chapter Vice President

Hannah Slate

Grade: Sophomore

SAE: Swine

CDE: Veterinary Science

LDE: Parliamentary Procedure and Impromptu



Chapter Secretary

Kendall Borba

Grade: Junior

SAE: Goats, Dairy Cattle, and Goat Soap

CDE: Veterinary Science

LDE: Parliamentary Procedure



Chapter Treasurer

Cadn Hultgren
Grade: Sophomore
SAE: Beef
CDE: Ag Mechanics
LDE: Parliamentary Procedure



Chapter Reporter

Shayleigh Miller
Grade: Junior
SAE: Goats
CDE: Veterinary Science
LDE:



Chapter Sentinel

Katrina Andujar
Grade: Junior
SAE: Rabbits
CDE:
LDE: Parliamentary Procedure



Chapter Historian

Ella Boyenga

Grade: Sophomore

SAE: Goats

CDE: Ag Issues

LDE: Impromptu and Parliamentary Procedure



Chapter Parliamentarian

Julia Callahan

Grade: Swine

SAE: Market Rabbits

CDE: Floral

LDE: Extemporaneous Speaking

Chapter Officers play a vital role in the success of a chapter. Below is a breakdown of the responsibilities each officer plays in helping lead our organization to success.

President

1. Preside over meeting according to accepted rules of parliamentary procedure.
2. Appoint committees and serve on them as an ex-officio, non-voting member
3. Coordinate the activities of the chapter and evaluate the progress of each division of the Program of Activities (POA)
4. Represent the chapter in public relations and official functions.

Vice-President

1. Assume all duties of the president if necessary
2. Develop the POA and serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the POA committees
3. Coordinate all committee work
4. Work closely with the president and advisor to assess progress toward meeting chapter goals.
5. Establish and maintain a chapter resource file
6. Maintain and update the chapter points for the point award system

Secretary

1. Prepare and post the agenda for each chapter meeting
2. Prepare and present the minutes of each chapter meeting
3. Place committee reports in the designated area in the FFA Chapter Workbooks: Secretary, Treasurer & Program of Activities Workbook or the computer software
4. Be responsible for chapter correspondence
5. Maintain member attendance and activity records and issue membership cards
6. Have on hand for each meeting
 1. FFA Chapter Books: Secretary, Treasurer, and Program of Activities Workbook or the computer software
 2. Copy of the POA including all standing and special committees
 3. Official FFA Manual and Student Handbook
 4. Copy of the Chapter constitution and bylaws

Treasurer

1. Receive, record and deposit FFA funds and issue receipts
2. Present monthly treasurer reports at chapter meeting.
3. Collect dues and special assessments
4. Maintain a neat and accurate FFA chapter Handbook: Secretary, Treasurer, and Program of Activities Workbook or the computer software
5. Prepare and submit the membership roster and dues to the National FFA organization.

6. Serve as the chairperson of the earnings and savings committee, Ex-officio on fundraising committee

Reporter

1. Plan public information programs with local radio, television, newspaper and service clubs and make use of other opportunities to tell the FFA story.
2. Release news and information to local and regional news media.
3. Publish a Chapter newsletter.
4. Send local stories to area, district and state reporters.
5. Send articles and photographs to FFA New Horizons and other national and regional publications
6. Work with local media on radio and television appearances and FFA news.

Sentinel

1. Assist the president in maintaining order
2. Keep the meeting room, chapter equipment and supplies in proper condition
3. Welcome guests and visitors
4. Keep the meeting room comfortable
5. Assist with special features and refreshments.

Historian

1. Prepare a chapter scrapbook
2. Assist the reporter in preparing materials for the reporter's book
3. Serve as the chapter photographer

Parliamentarian

1. Know and share information about parliamentary law
2. Assist members in proper meeting procedure and etiquette so that we can accomplish the business of the chapter
3. Ensure that every member will be heard and that the majority will prevail

Greenhand Officers

1. Elected annually at the Fall Awards Night/ Greenhand Banquet.
2. May be any combination of officers.
3. Elected to learn from Chapter Officer Team and assist with implementing the Program of Activities.



President:	Neveya Villa	Livingston
Vice President:	Autumn Miller	Mariposa
Secretary:	Savanna Barcellos	Golden Valley
Treasurer:	Austin Bell	Gustine
Reporter:	Reena Grewal	Livingston
Sentinel:	Cameron Ivy	Golden Valley

[Merced-Mariposa Section FFA Website Link](#)



President:	Abigale Jacobsen	Elk Grove
Vice President – At Large:	Vanessa Anaya	Esparto
Vice President – North Area:	Hayden Andrade	Tracy
Vice President – South Area:	Morgan Oliveira	Hilmar
Secretary:	Samantha Albiani	Elk Grove
Treasurer:	Garrett Hesser	Calaveras
Reporter:	Micaiah Richison	Oakdale
Sentinel:	Davis Bryant	Mariposa



President:	Marc Cabeliza	Santa Maria
Vice President:	Hannah Kunkle	Apple Valley
Secretary:	Pault Horta Castaneda	McArthur – Fall River
Treasurer:	Lesly Madriz	Madera
Reporter:	Jake Dowell	O’Neals-Minarets
Sentinel:	Reagan Denny	Yuba City



President:	Cole Baerlocher	Washington
Secretary:	Jackson Sylvester	Delaware
Central Region Vice President:	Cortney Zimmerman	Wisconsin
Eastern Region Vice President:	Mallory White	Kentucky
Western Region Vice President:	Josiah Cruikshank	Oregon
Southern Region Vice President:	Erik Robinson, Jr	Georgia



Atwater FFA Committee Structure and Membership

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Leadership is the ability to guide or influence others to work towards a meaningful goal while helping each other develop themselves as group members. Therefore, our chapter is dedicated to helping all students develop their leadership skills. One of the easiest ways to get involved in the Atwater FFA is to become a member of one of the committees ran annually by our members.

Committee Structure:

Atwater FFA has committees to serve our chapter's needs. These committees fall under one of the three divisions outlined by the National FFA Organization. The three divisions are: **Student, Chapter, and Community.**

The following committees fall under each division:

Student: Social Media / Videos

Chapter: Meetings, Special Events, BBQ

Community: Community Service

Our Chapters Executive Committee oversees all other chapter work.

Committee Membership

Standing Committee's:

Each of our committee consists of four-to-seven-chapter members. Each committee has a chairman, committee members, and a presiding officer. To be on a committee, students must complete a committee member application and be enrolled in our Ag Leadership course. These committees hold meetings at least once a week. Members can serve on more than one committee; however, a member can't be a chairman for two committees.

Executive Committee:

The executive committee is the main driving force of the Atwater FFA Chapter. This committee consists of the elected officers and three-chapter advisors. The committee includes the following chapter officers; President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Sentinel, Historian, and Parliamentarian. The President serves as the Chairman of the committee.

The advisors will not vote on business that it conducted during the executive meetings. They should only serve in an advisory capacity. However, if an item seems dangerous, fails to follow school policy, or isn't financially sound, the advisor can veto the decision.

Members of the executive committee are senior members. Each member of the executive committee will serve as a presiding officer for two standing committees.

Social Media / Videos

Chairman: Liliana Boesch

Committee Members: Dulce Campos - Rodriguez and Yairen Pineda

Presiding Officer: Shayleigh Miller **Meetings:** (ex: Every Friday)

Objective: The committee will provide accurate information as well as demonstrate our Chapter's characteristics.

Committee Goal: The committee will create informative videos to inform members with recaps of chapter doings at the end of each month. In addition to the monthly updates, the committee will create weekly (1 minute) FFA announcements that will be sent out to all Ag classes on Monday mornings.

Plan: As each month progresses, the committee will work towards creating, filming, and piecing together monthly recaps of chapter doings. The committee will also work towards creating, filming, and piecing together weekly FFA announcements and have all videos completed and sent out to chapter advisors the Friday before being posted.



Meetings

Chairman: Iylis Villafan

Committee Members: Allison Garner, Hannah Slate, Kendall Borba, Caden Hultgren, Shayleigh Miller, Katrina Andjuar, Julia Callahan

Presiding Officer: Ella Boyenga **Meetings:** (ex: Every Friday)

Objective: The committee will plan, promote, and execute all chapter meetings.

Committee Goal: The committee goal is to increase member attendance by 10% by the end of the semester (20% by the end of the school year)

Plan: The committee will have a plan, outline, and begin working towards preparing all materials for the meeting approximately 2 weeks before the meeting.



Special Events

Chairman: Cassidy Carrillo & Chloe Herrera

Committee Members: Alexa Bracamontes, Kimberly Valdovinos, Hannah Slate

Presiding Officer: Katrina Andujar **Meetings:** (ex: Every Friday)

Objective: The committee will organize and host effective quarterly-special meetings (recreational events, Farm 2U Day, National FFA Week, etc.).

Committee Goals: The committee will host 1 meeting every two weeks to plan our chapters special events.

Plan: The committee will make sure all things necessary for our meeting are working effectively as well as write scripts and send it out to our hosts and promote.



BBQ

Chairman: Alden Hansard

Committee Members:

Presiding Officers: Allison Garner **Meetings:** (ex: Every Friday)

Objective: The committee will help to make sure the BBQ runs as efficiently as possible by assisting the advisors in preparing, working, and cleaning up after the BBQ.

Committee Goal: The committee has a goal of selling more tickets than the previous BBQ to raise more money for our chapter.

Plan: The committee will have a plan/outline three weeks prior to the BBQ to ensure that the BBQ runs as smooth as possible while having all materials prepared before the BBQ as needed.



Community Service

Chairman: Klarithsa Cruz Hernandez & Ernestina Valencia Zamora

Committee Members: Elizabeth Ayala Lopez, Kendall Borba, Guadalupe Millan Solorio, Kayleigh Trindade

Presiding Officer: Julia Callahan **Meetings:** (ex: Every Friday)

Objective: The committee will provide, execute, and plan community service events to increase active chapter participation by 30% (compared to previous school years) by the end of the school year.

Committee Goal: The committee will plan community service events once a month to promote involvement in the community. Encourage other FFA members to participate in these events by helping with woodwork projects, painting, posters, etc. to increase involvement in our chapter by 30% by the end of the school year.

Plan: The committee will develop and promote at least one community service event every month and prepare a well-developed plan of action two weeks prior to the community service event by dispersing jobs to committee members to ensure that at least one event is consistently occurring every month.





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Our 2021-2022 FFA officer team created the following chapter goals during our annual FFA Chapter Officer Retreat held in August 2021:

1. Develop Strong and Effective Chapter Leadership

- Develop and strengthen communication skills
- Implement/expand digital FFA scrapbook (ordering opportunities for students)
- Expand/improve web, media, social media, and marketing photos
- Increase student involvement & participation
- Increase & improve agriculture leadership curriculum & resource

2. Develop and Strengthen Agriculture Resources and Curriculum

- Implement plan/vision for various agriculture/CTE funding grants
- Implement, develop, and build NEW “Turfgrass and Sports Field Management II” course
- Create new course & curriculum for new “Turfgrass and Sports Field Management II”
- Revise Ag Biology and Ag earth Science course (district-wide)
- Expand and increase pathway student certifications
- Expand turf equipment for student labs/projects
- Increase and expand variety of large and medium ag mechanics projects

3. Expand Student Involvement and Participation

- Increase student attendance and participation at chapter meetings
- Increase SAE projects (animal, plant, and ag mech)
- Expand and strengthen FFA competition opportunities / teams
- Improve organization and planning of events/activities
- Continue to expand, revise and improve development of National Chapter Award application and develop new activities / events to enhance application/process
- Expand and strengthen AET record keeping with ALL students

4. Develop Strong Recruitment & Retention Program

- Strengthen and expand middle school relationships & communication
- Maintain / improve recruitment presentations & education
- Maintain/strengthen agriculture “foundation” (9th grade) courses
- Expand CTE / Ag program/course marketing opportunities/resources

5. Expand & Develop Agriculture Facilities / Resources

Agriculture Mechanics / Shops

- Replace/upgrade old power mechanics equipment
- Clean and re-organize small engines shop, classroom, and office

Agriculture Facility

- Explore expanded usage of N (back) area of school (farm a crop)

Arnold's Farm

- "Fine-tune" sheep/swine pen/facility operation equipment/layout

Fair Projects

- Purchase new/expanded fair/show equipment for expanded student SAE's

Horticulture / Floriculture

- Expand variety of plant stock for sales and long term growing/stock
- Expand county fair horticulture entries
- Create/grow new flower stock in horticulture garden plots
- Expand and purchase new turfgrass equipment for student skill development

Pole Barn

- Reorganize and clean pole barn area for improved operation efficiency

Poultry Facility

- Improve inside poultry facility horticulture / aesthetics

Rabbit Facility

- Develop and improve rabbit cleaning/maintenance operation

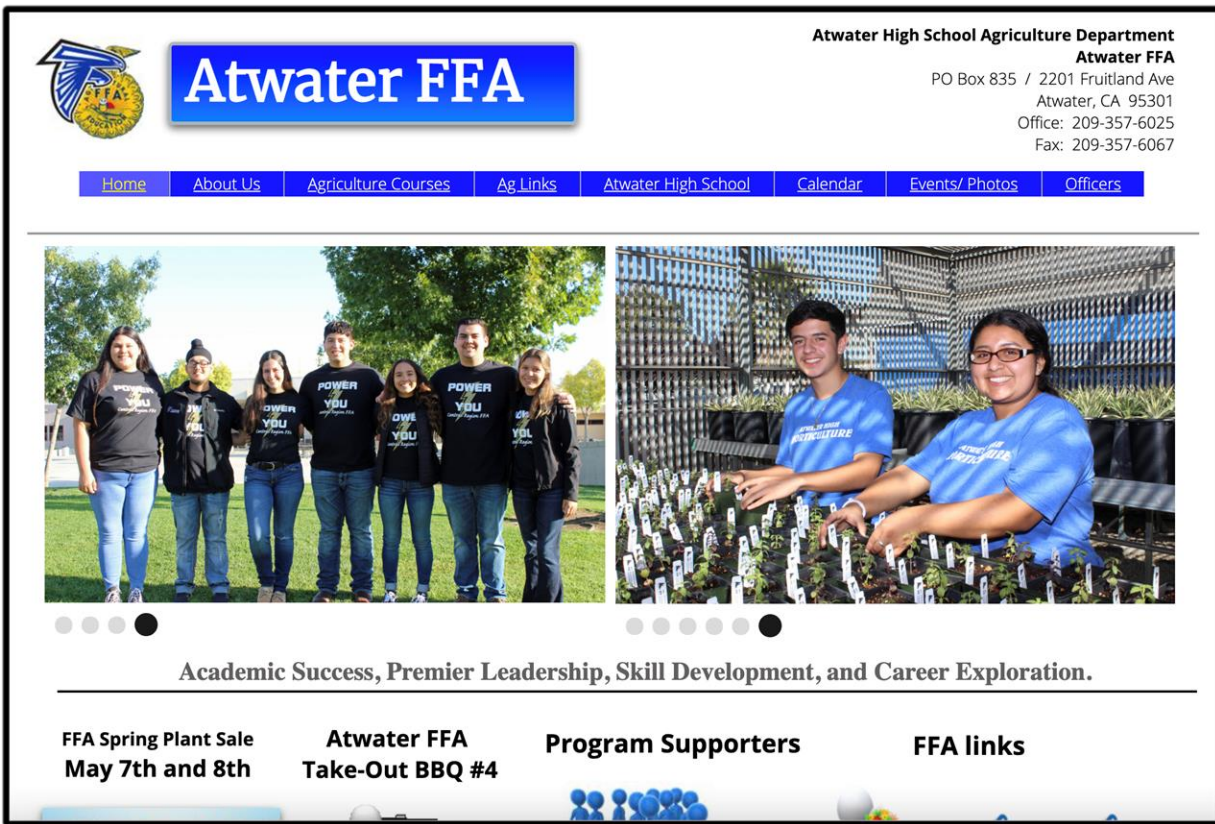
Science Room/Lab Equipment

- Expand and strengthen science lab resources and equipment



The 2021-2022 Atwater FFA Officer goals are:

1. During the first week of each month, the officer team will provide updates for the chapter website.
2. At the beginning of each quarter the officer team and Ag leadership will put together a newsletter that will feature updates on activities within the chapter and local sponsorship advertisements.
3. At the end of each month advisers will nominate an outstanding member (excluding Ag Leadership students) in the program to be voted on by the Ag Leadership class and will be recognized at monthly FFA meeting as Star Aggie.
4. The Friday before the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, the officer team and Ag Leadership will put together news videos consisting of previous and future events and recognition to be shown in all Ag classes and the following day.
5. Following the installation of the Greenhand officers, the officer team will include Greenhand officers in running meetings and writing articles for the newsletter.
6. The officer team will ensure that all advertisements for events are completed and hung up a week prior to FFA events.



Webpage

www.AtwaterFFA.org is the official Atwater FFA and Atwater High School Agriculture Department's webpage. All information pertaining to national, state, and chapter FFA information, Atwater High School Agriculture Department information, agriculture staff, agriculture student, agriculture industry, and yearly calendar of events/activities can be obtained and/or accessed through the Atwater FFA webpage.

Applications

All yearly applications pertaining to Atwater FFA (example – chapter officer, scholarships, etc...) and/or links to state/national FFA applications can be accessed through the Atwater FFA webpage.

Agriculture FFA / Agriculture Links

Information and communication links to all FFA, agriculture, and industry can be accessed through the Atwater FFA webpage.

Social Media

The Atwater FFA and agriculture program has various social media sites that include Facebook, Twitter, etc...

Hold Regular, Well-Planned Meetings that Capture the Chapter's Interest and Participation

- Have weekly Chapter Officer Meetings
- Have regular month Chapter Meetings
- Call special meetings when necessary
- Conduct regular Executive Meetings in order to maintain solid Chapter communications
- Prepare a well-planned program before meetings
- Provide refreshments for Chapter Meetings
- Have frequent and informative committee reports
- Invite parents and the community leaders to the Chapter Meeting
- The duty of the Sentinel is to set the proper paraphernalia out for the Chapter Meeting and to help the President in maintaining order.
- The goal of the Chapter is to have a least 50% attendance at each Chapter Meeting
- Have an activity after every Chapter Meeting

Special Meetings Should be Held as Necessary

- A special potluck dinner meeting will be held for the Greenhand/Chapter FFA Degree Installation Banquet
- A very special Awards Banquet will be held in May to wrap up the year.

The Official Ceremonies will be used at all Meetings

- All officers are required to learn their part.
- The officers will wear the official uniform at all meetings
- The necessary paraphernalia will be used at all meetings.

The Atwater FFA chapter will develop a sense of cooperation among the entire membership.

- The Atwater Chapter will cooperate with other FFA chapters.
 - ◆ Participation in Sectional, Regional, and State activities.
 - ◆ Hosting Sectional activities as needed.
 - ◆ Serving the awards banquet for Atwater FFA
- The Chapter will cooperate with Atwater High School.
 - ◆ BBQ during home AHS football games and AHS BBQ functions.
 - ◆ Participation in school functions and events
 - ◆ Chapter representation during school sponsored activities and functions
 - ◆ Cooperation and support with other AHS youth organizations
- The Chapter will participate in community cooperation.
 - ◆ Participating and working with Merced County Office of Education's ROP program and awards ceremony.
 - ◆ Participating and cooperating with local elementary schools in various agriculture projects (example: school gardens)
 - ◆ Providing local middle schools with an informative recruitment presentation.
 - ◆ Participation in a local city beautification project(s).
 - ◆ Participation in Merced County and the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life
- Members exhibiting at fairs and shows will cooperate together and compete as a team.

The primary objective towards community service is for FFA members to establish an attitude of service towards the community in which they live.

The Atwater FFA will develop a sense of community service among the entire membership.

- Our chapter will conduct food and toy drives during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays to help those in need.
- We will assist with community projects and activities when called upon by the Chamber of Commerce.
- We will participate in the Atwater Beautification Day.
- We will take advantage of opportunities to form partnerships with community organizations in working with agricultural education and agricultural projects.
- Our chapter continues to strive towards participating in various community outreach programs



The purpose of public relations is to inform our chapter members and the general public about the activities of our local chapter as well as the overall benefits of the FFA.

Media

- Establish, strengthen, and maintain relationships with media contacts
- Submit articles and photos to various local, regional and state media publications
- Extend media coverage beyond newspapers and publications (i.e., radio, tv, etc...)
- Continue to develop and promote the www.AtwaterFFA.org website as an information resource
- Extend and participate in new communication / social media technology resources such as Facebook

FFA Week

- Use various forms of media to keep the public informed during FFA Week
- Conduct school and community activities throughout FFA Week

Various FFA Events and Activities

- Select worthy persons as Honorary Chapter farmers
- Recognize worthy individuals to receive Certificates of Appreciation
- Provide community advertisements through Placemat Ad fundraiser
- Host various award recognition ceremonies for parents and families of FFA members
- Sponsor a parent / member banquet
- Maintain a chapter scrapbook
- Chamber of Commerce and other community service clubs
- Serve at the Atwater FFA Awards Banquet

Atwater High School

- Regular communication sessions with AHS administration and counselors
- Assist and support various school activities

The Chapter will encourage graduating seniors to keep membership affiliation for the following year.

- As graduate members, the chapter will encourage these members to:
 - Exhibit at fairs until eligibility membership expires
 - Apply for advanced degrees such as the American FFA Degree
 - Apply for proficiency awards in their SAE area
 - Continue an active role in participation in local activities
 - Attend all chapter meetings
- The Chapter will utilize the expertise of alumni members when needed by the Chapter.
 - To help coach judging teams
 - To serve as judges of local FFA contests
 - To assist in money raising activities such as ad sales, BBQ's, etc.
 - Provide facilities for SAE projects



Mrs. Natalie Borba

12th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Ag Biology, Floral 1, Animal Anatomy and Physiology

CDE's and LDE's: Cotton Judging, Meats Judging, Creed Speaking

SAE Supervision: Goats

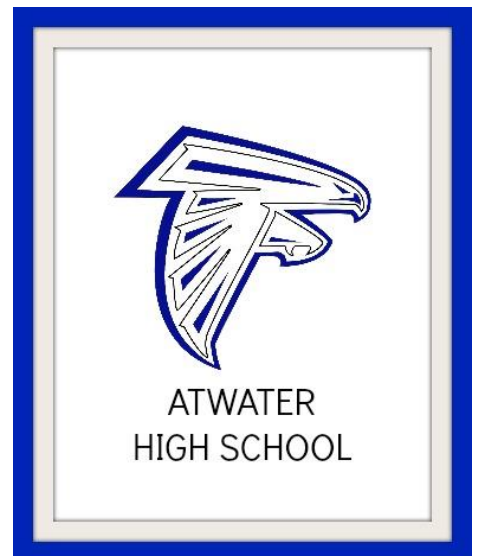
Mrs. Shelby Fishman

9th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Intro and Advanced Small Engines, Exploration in Agriculture

CDE's and LDE's: Citrus Judging, Advanced Parli Pro

SAE Supervision: Rabbits, Poultry



Mr. Dan Flatt

21st Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Wood 1, 2, and 3

CDE's and LDE's: Poultry Judging

SAE Supervision: Ag Mechanics and Poultry



Mr. Dave Gossman

20th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Ag Earth Science, Horticulture, and Turf Grass & Sports Field Management

CDE's and LDE's: Milk Quality and Dairy Food Evaluation, Nursery and Landscape

SAE Supervision: Swine, Horticulture

Ms. Taylor Helton

4th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Animal Anatomy and Physiology, Vet Science, and Soil Chemistry

CDE's and LDE: Vet Science, Novice Parli Pro

SAE Supervision: Sheep



Mr. Sam Meredith

18th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Welding Technology 1 and 2, Equipment Construction 1 and 2

CDE's and LDE's: Ag Mechanics, Soils and Land Evaluation

SAE Supervision: Ag Mechanics, Beef, Work Experience





Mrs. Kim Mesa

8th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Ag Leadership, Floral I, Ag Economics /
Government

CDE's and LDE's: Agronomy, Impromptu, Extemporaneous

SAE Supervision: Dairy Cattle

Mr. Jose Vargas

5th Year Teaching

Classes Taught: Ag Shop Skills

CDE's and LDE: Vegetable Judging, Job Interview

SAE Supervision: Ag Mechanics



The primary purpose of the local advisory committee is to provide to the agriculture teacher, school administration and board of education advice on issues affecting the agriculture program. Advisory committee members must understand the committee has no administrative policymaking or legislative authority.

Member	Term	Occupation
Nikki Maddux	2019-2021	Merced College Instructor / Animal Science
Ed Palomino	2019-2021	West Air Gases
Paul van Warmerdam	2019-2021	Dairyman
Benina Montes	2020-2022	Burrough's Family Farm
Craig Arnold	2020-2022	Arnold Farm
Jessica Filippini	2020-2022	UPL, Ltd
Brad Kessler	2021-2023	BK Welding
Silas Rossow	2021-2023	California Ag Solutions
Amanda Skidmore	2021-2023	E&J Gallo Winery

The chapter will encourage students to strive for academic excellence.

1. Improve scholarship of FFA members in all academic subjects

- A. Encourage members to strive for C.S.F. standards
- B. Strive to have all FFA members on the honor roll
- C. Award points on the Chapter Point Awards system for good grades
- D. Require that all Chapter Officers maintain at least a B in all agriculture classes.
- E. Members participating in competitive events shall not fall below a C or 2.0 average on a 4.0 scale or have less than a C in any agriculture class. Eligibility for all competitive events will be suspended if any of the above shall occur.

2. Will strive to improve home technology, reading and library use.

- A. Encourage each member to subscribe and read at least one agriculture publication.
- B. Encourage each member to use school and county libraries for agriculture research projects.

3. Will encourage Seniors to apply for scholarships available to them in order to continue their education.

- A. Twelfth grade members are encouraged to apply for scholarships including the Bloss, Fancher, Winton Grange, Farm Bureau, and Atwater Ag Booster Scholarship which are available to agriculture students.
- B. Twelfth grade members are encouraged to apply for any scholarships which are available to them for the school they are planning to attend.
- C. Twelfth grade chapter members are encouraged to talk with their counselors about other scholarships which may be available to them as a result of their parent's affiliation with a lodge or places of employment.

4. Scholastic Awards

- A. Award trophies to the Agriculture students in each grade level with the highest GPA.

Official Show Uniform

The official Show Uniform for FFA members consists of:

White shirt or blouse, white pants, FFA tie, and FFA jacket. Shoes should be appropriate for what you are showing.

Fairs

The Atwater FFA Chapter is involved in many fairs throughout the year. The livestock and agricultural mechanics projects are exhibited throughout the state, where the chapter wins many awards and honors. The animals that are exhibited include market and breeding sheep, market and breeding beef, market and breeding swine, dairy cattle, rabbits, market, breeding, and dairy goats.

The Fairs that are attended are:

- (Summer) Merced County Fair
- (Summer) California State Fair



Career Development Events

In California, there are thirty-four career development events (CDEs), seven leadership development events (LDEs) and three activities that cover job skills in everything from communications to mechanics. Some events allow students to compete as individuals, while others require students to work together in a team.

Agricultural Communications
Agricultural Issues Forum
Agricultural Mechanics
Agricultural Pest Control
Agricultural Sales
Agricultural Welding
AET Farm Record Book
Agriscience Fair
Agronomy
Best Informed Greenhand
Citrus Judging
Computer Applications
Cotton Judging
Dairy Cattle Judging
Farm Business Management
Floriculture
Food Science and Technology

Forestry
Fruit Tree Judging
Fruit Tree Pruning
Grapevine Judging
Light Horse Judging
Livestock Judging
Marketing Plan
Meat Judging
Milk Quality and Dairy Foods
Natural Resources
Nursery/Landscaping
Poultry Judging
Small Engines
Soil and Land Evaluation
Veterinary Science Judging



Leadership Development Events (LDE's) provide students with the opportunity to develop their communication skills and apply those skills to real life situations.

Employment Skills

Participants in the Employment Skills (formerly Job Interview) LDE submit a resume, complete job applications and participate in mock job interviews with a panel of possible employers.

Impromptu Public Speaking

The purpose of Impromptu Public Speaking is to foster and develop the speaking abilities of FFA members as well as develop their self-confidence and contribute to their advancement in inter-personal skill attainment and leadership development.

Prepared Public Speaking

During the Prepared Public Speaking LDE, students write and deliver a six-to-eight-minute speech about a current agriculture-related topic. The speaking skills gained through this event help students excel in school, community, and career.

Creed Speaking

Creed Speaking is for FFA members in the grades seventh, eighth, and ninth. They must present the FFA Creed from memory and answer questions about its meaning and purpose. The event boosts self-confidence and develops their ability to communicate in a powerful, professional manner.

Extemporaneous Public Speaking

In Extemporaneous Public Speaking, participants are given 30 minutes to deliver a speech on one of three assigned ag-related topics. Students must learn to think on their feet and develop an argument quickly and persuasively.



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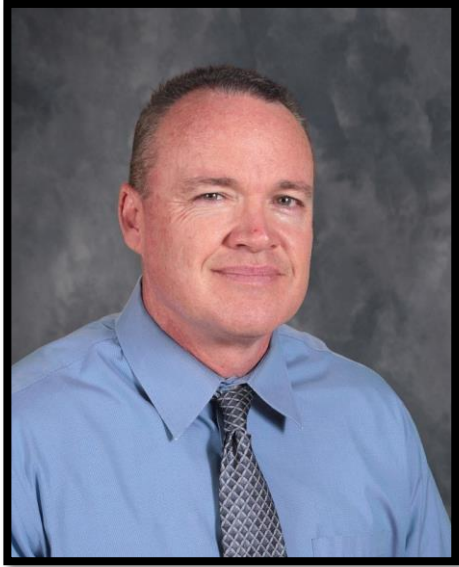
School Colors: Royal Blue and White

2021-2022 School Enrollment: 2,043

School Mascot: Falcon

2021-2022 Atwater High School Bell Schedule

NORMAL SCHEDULE			WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE		
PERIOD	START	END	PERIOD	START	END
0	6:55	7:54	TEACHER COLLABORATION		
1	8:00	8:47	1	8:14	9:01
2	8:53	9:40	2	9:07	9:52
3	9:46	10:33	3	9:58	10:43
4	10:39	11:28	4	10:49	11:34
Lunch	11:28	11:58	Lunch	11:34	12:04
5	12:04	12:51	5	12:10	12:55
6	12:57	1:44	6	1:01	1:46
7	1:50	2:37	7	1:52	2:37
ASSETS	2:37	5:30 Bus departs 5:00	ASSETS	2:37	5:30 Bus departs 5:00



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Atwater FFA 2020-2021 Greenhand Officer Application

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please PRINT clearly:

1. **Please rank in order (1-8) the office(s) you are interested in applying for:**

____ President ____ Vice President ____ Secretary ____ Reporter
____ Treasurer ____ Sentinel ____ Historian ____ Parliamentarian

2. **2020-2021 School Year GPA:** _____ **Current Ag Class(es):** _____

3. **List any school or community activities you are involved with and/or committed to for next year (outside of FFA):**

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

4. **Why do you want to be a FFA Greenhand officer?**

5. **What leadership qualities do you feel you can bring to the Greenhand Officer Team?**

4. What are some goals you would like to accomplish during your years in the FFA?

5. What are your goals after you graduate from Atwater High School?

6. We would like to have a day of teambuilding and leadership workshops for the newly elected Greenhand team. Please circle the days you are available:

December 14th, 2020

December 20, 2020

December 21, 2020

7. What FFA events have you participated in so far?

FFA Activities You Participated (or Worked) In

- ☐ FFA Ice Cream Social
- ☐ August AHS Club Day
- ☐ August Greenhand Conference in Modesto
- ☐ October Opening and Closing Ceremonies - Gustine
- ☐ October Atwater Beautification Day/Clean-up

Chapter FFA Meetings You Attended

- ☐ September "Pool Party" Meeting
- ☐ October "Corn Maze" Meeting

SAE Projects for 2021 Merced Fair or Planning on:

Fundraisers You Participated In

- ☐ Placemat Ads
- ☐ Plant Sale
- ☐ BBQ Take-Out #1
- ☐ Fall Fest
- ☐ AHS Football BBQ Game(s)

FFA Judging Teams You Are Planning on Joining

- ☐ Agronomy
- ☐ Creed / Job Interview / Prepared/ Impromptu
- ☐ Land
- ☐ Landscape / Nursery (OH)

Greenhand Officer Application

____ Beef
____ Goat
____ Sheep
____ Swine
____ Dairy Heifer
____ Rabbit
____ Turkey
____ Chickens
____ Ag Mechanics

____ Floriculture
____ Meats
____ Ag Mechanics
____ Farm Power
____ Dairy Products
____ Marketing Plan

____ Cotton
____ Parliamentary Procedure
____ Small Engines
____ Poultry Judging

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If you cannot make a 100% commitment to the Chapter you should not consider applying for a Greenhand Officer position in the Atwater FFA Chapter.

DO YOU AGREE TO RESIGN YOUR OFFICE IF YOU DO NOT FULFILL YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES?

YES

NO

If elected to Greenhand Office I agree to fulfill all of my duties and responsibilities as described above.

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

As a parent of an Atwater FFA Greenhand Officer, I understand that my/our son/daughter is taking on a commitment that requires much time and effort. He/She will need my/our support and understanding when it comes to spending a considerable amount of time involved with the chapter FFA activities. I realize that through his/her involvement my son/daughter will have the opportunity to gain valuable leadership skills that he/she will take with him/her through his/her entire life.

If my son/daughter is elected to chapter office I agree to support him/her in fulfilling all of his/her duties and responsibilities as described above.

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Atwater FFA 2020-2021 Chapter Officer Application

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please PRINT clearly:

1. **Please rank in order (1-7) the office(s) you are interested in applying for:**
 _____ President _____ Vice President _____ Secretary
 _____ Reporter _____ Treasurer _____ Sentinel _____ Historian

2. **Current FFA degree held:** _____ Greenhand _____ Chapter Farmer _____ CA State

3. **Current grade level:** _____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior

4. **Have you held an Atwater FFA chapter office before?** _____ Yes _____ No
 (Including Greenhand Office)
If YES, what office(s)? _____

5. **2020-2021 School Year GPA:** _____ **Current Ag Class(es) GPA:** _____

6. **Cumulative GPA** (total GPA for all high school years): _____

7. **Please attach a copy of your unofficial transcripts to the application.**

7. **List all the AHS agriculture classes you have had and/or are currently taking :**
 - a) _____ Year(s) Taken: _____
 - b) _____ Year(s) Taken: _____
 - c) _____ Year(s) Taken: _____
 - d) _____ Year(s) Taken: _____
 - e) _____ Year(s) Taken: _____

8. List the 2020-2021 agriculture classes you are CURRENTLY registered for next year:

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

9. List any school or community activities you are involved with and/or committed to for next year:

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

10. Why do you want to be a FFA chapter officer?

11. **What leadership qualities do you feel you can bring to the chapter and officer team?**

12. **What do you feel are your biggest accomplishments as an agriculture student?**

13. **What are some goals you would like to accomplish during your years in the FFA?**

14. **What is one part of our FFA program that you would like to change?**

15. **Place a “check” for each item you have participated in this past year:**

FFA Activities You Participated (or Worked) In

- ☐ Mariposa Creed, Job Interview, Impromptu
- ☐ August Ice Cream Social
- ☐ August AHS Club Day
- ☐ September Sectional FFA Meeting
- ☐ September Greenhand Conference in Modesto
- ☐ October COLC
- ☐ October Opening and Closing Ceremonies - Gustine
- ☐ October Atwater Beautification Day / Clean-up
- ☐ Local Project Competition
- ☐ Section Project Competition
- ☐ MFE / ALA Leadership Conferences
- ☐ January Creed Contest
- ☐ January Job Interview Contest

Fundraisers You Participated In

- ☐ Placemat Ads
- ☐ Plant Sale
- ☐ BBQ Take-Out #1
- ☐ BBQ Take-Out #2
- ☐ BBQ Take-Out #3
- ☐ BBQ Take-Out #4
- ☐ AHS Football BBQ Game(s)

FFA Judging Teams You Are an Active Member Of

- ☐ Agronomy
- ☐ Creed / Job Interview / Prepared/ Impromptu/Extemp
- ☐ Parli Pro
- ☐ Landscape / Nursery (OH)

- ☐ January Public Speaking Contest(s)
- ☐ February FFA Week Dress Up
- ☐ February FFA Week – Basketball/Kiss a Calf
- ☐ February FFA Week - Ag Olympics
- ☐ February Regional FFA Meeting
- ☐ March FFA State Degree Ceremony
- ☐ April - FFA Sectional Meeting, Elections, Co-Op
- ☐ Fall or Spring Plant Sale
- ☐ Sectional Parli Pro Contest
- ☐ Regional Parli Pro Contest
- ☐ State Parli Pro Contest
- ☐ State Speaking Finals
- ☐ Other: _____

- ☐ Floriculture
- ☐ Meats
- ☐ Ag Mechanics
- ☐ Poultry
- ☐ Land
- ☐ Dairy Products
- ☐ Marketing Plan
- ☐ Farm Business Management
- ☐ Cotton
- ☐ Vegetables
- ☐ Ag Communications
- ☐ Small Engines

FFA Field Days You Have Attended

- ☐ Chowchilla Cotton
- ☐ Corcoran Cotton
- ☐ MJC Cotton
- ☐ Fall Cotton State Finals
- ☐ Atwater Parli Pro Inv.
- ☐ Arbuckle
- ☐ UC Davis
- ☐ UC Davis Parli Pro
- ☐ Chico State
- ☐ Le Grand
- ☐ Merced College
- ☐ Reedley
- ☐ Cosumnes River College
- ☐ Modesto Junior College
- ☐ West Hills
- ☐ Fresno State
- ☐ State Finals (Cal Poly)
- ☐ Northern CA (West Valley) Parli-Pro

Chapter FFA Meetings You Attended

- ☐ September "Castle Fly By" Meeting
- ☐ October "Corn Maze" Meeting
- ☐ November Greenhand / Chapter Farmer Ceremony
- ☐ December "Morning Wave"
- ☐ January "Dodgeball" Meeting
- ☐ February "FFA Week" Basketball
- ☐ March " Bowling" Meeting
- ☐ April Burrito Movie Night Meeting

SAE Projects for 2019 Merced Fair

- ☐ Beef
- ☐ Goat
- ☐ Sheep
- ☐ Swine
- ☐ Dairy Heifer
- ☐ Rabbit
- ☐ Ag Mechanics

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PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



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Información previa a la solicitud de la feria del condado de Merced 2021
Para estudiantes interesados en criar/exhibir una Chivo, Cordero(a) (Obeja), o Cerdo
en la Feria del Condado de Merced en 2021

La Feria del Condado de Merced ha aprobado 4 "planes" con respecto a la Feria del Condado de Merced 2021 y los expositores de ganado de FFA:

Plan A - Feria en persona con exposición y venta de ganado

Plan B - Exposición y venta de ganado en persona; sin feria en persona

Plan C - Exposición de ganado en persona con venta virtual; sin feria en persona

Plan D - Exposición y venta de ganado virtual; sin feria en persona

Con la situación actual de COVID-19, el horario escolar actual (aprendizaje híbrido y en línea), los parámetros y las "incógnitas" involucradas en los planes mencionados anteriormente, y las incógnitas con respecto a los costos, la inversión, los parámetros de salud / seguridad y Riesgos potenciales asociados con no saber cuál será la situación en los próximos meses, primavera y verano, Atwater FFA ESTARÁ LIMITANDO el número de proyectos y estudiantes aprobados para la feria de este año. Se dará prioridad a los estudiantes con experiencia anterior que sean y sigan siendo "elegibles" (según la página o formulario adjunto). Los expositores "nuevos" serán seleccionados según la disponibilidad y los parámetros de elegibilidad enumerados en la siguiente página o formulario adjunto.

Habrà una serie de pasos y requisitos que los estudiantes deben seguir/cumplir para calificar para el proceso de solicitud. Los PRIMEROS pasos son:

- 1 – Leer, comprender y firmar (AMBOS estudiantes y padres) la segunda página de este formulario y entregarlo a la escuela (en persona o por correo) antes del 13 de noviembre de 2020. Si envía el formulario por correo, DEBE TENER MATASELLOS antes del miércoles, 11 de noviembre de 2020. (Envíe por correo postal al PO BOX que aparece en la parte superior de esta página)
- 2 – Todos los solicitantes de CABRAS, CORDEROS o CERDOS DEBEN asistir a una reunión de ZOOM de padres / expositores específica de la especie programada para el miércoles 18 de noviembre de 2020. Esto es OBLIGATORIO para TODOS los estudiantes solicitantes, aunque ya hayan criado, exhibido o mostrado una especie de ganado para Atwater FFA o no. Solo aquellos estudiantes que hayan recibido un formulario de "Feria del condado de Merced 2021 - Información de solicitud de pre-expositor de Atwater FFA" serán elegibles y / o aceptados en la reunión de Zoom. Esa reunión DEBE SER ASISTIDA POR UN PADRE O TUTOR, ¡SIN EXCEPCIONES!
- 3 – Durante varias fechas habrán formas adicionales disponibles para quienes no tengan impresora / horas programadas y otras oportunidades se comunicarán a los estudiantes.

Independientemente de los desafíos asociados con COVID-19, educación a distancia, etc.... Atwater FFA se adherirá estrictamente a las pólizas enumeradas en el "Formulario de solicitud de pre-expositor", incluido el GPA y las calificaciones actuales. Los estudios académicos, la obtención de un diploma y la graduación tienen prioridad sobre la crianza de un animal. Si un estudiante no tiene tiempo para cumplir con sus responsabilidades académicas, es difícil justificar que tenga tiempo para cumplir con las responsabilidades asociadas con todo lo que se requiere para criar / exhibir un animal para la feria



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Nombre de Estudiante:

Maestro/a de Ag:

Feria del condado de Merced 2021 - Información de solicitud de pre-expositor de Atwater FFA

Criar un animal para exhibirlo en la Feria del Condado de Merced como miembro de Atwater FFA es un privilegio, no un derecho. Aunque es nuestra meta brindar a la mayor cantidad de estudiantes la oportunidad de criar un proyecto de animales pequeños o ganado para la feria, esta "meta" tiene limitaciones basadas en los recursos de los estudiantes/animales, las inversiones financieras, la capacidad de administración de los estudiantes y la salud y seguridad de los animales. El hecho de que haya participado en la crianza y exhibición de un proyecto de animales para Atwater FFA el año pasado no significa necesariamente que tendrá la oportunidad este año.

Habrán ciertos requisitos para ser elegible para solicitar y ser aprobado para criar/exhibir un proyecto de animales pequeños y / o ganado con Atwater FFA. Incluyen:

#1 – **Asistencia a la escuela:** Los estudiantes deben estar al día (primer y segundo semestre) en términos de asistencia a la escuela. Las ausencias injustificadas / o las tardanzas (para cualquier clase / período) pueden descalificarlos. Si no puede demostrar una buena asistencia y / o llegar a clase a tiempo, ¿cómo podemos confiar en que lo hará con su proyecto animal/ganadero?

#2 – **Académicos:** Los estudiantes deben estar en buen estado académico. Graduarse y obtener un diploma tiene prioridad sobre la crianza de un animal. Las "D y/o F", especialmente en una clase de agricultura, pueden descalificar o lo descalificarán. Esto incluye las calificaciones actuales del INFORME DE PROGRESO. Criar un animal requiere tiempo y responsabilidad adicionales. Sería difícil justificar agregar más tiempo y responsabilidad al horario de uno con un proyecto de animales si ya tiene un desafío que encaja a tiempo para cumplir con sus responsabilidades académicas.

#3 – **Conducta / Disciplina:** Cualquier comportamiento escolar o problemas de disciplina pueden descalificarlo. Se REQUIERE la capacidad de "confiar" en usted durante un ambiente ocasional sin supervisión y demostrar buen juicio, comportamiento y carácter.

#4 – **"Advertencias", ética de trabajo y / o esfuerzo:** si crió/exhibió un proyecto de animales pequeños y/o ganado para la feria el año pasado, y recibió una o más advertencias (mientras criaba al animal o mostraba en la feria), puede perder la oportunidad este año. Si no demostró asistencia cuando se le solicitó, llegar a tiempo, el saber trabajar en grupo y/o haber hecho un esfuerzo sólido hacia sus responsabilidades el año pasado, es posible que haya perdido su oportunidad de ser parte del equipo de Atwater FFA Show este año. Con la opción de participar, vienen las responsabilidades que conlleva.

#5 – **Los estudiantes DEBEN tener una chaqueta de la FFA con corbata/ bufanda:** la feria del condado de Merced requiere que los estudiantes tengan un uniforme completo de FFA cuando se presenten. Las chaquetas y corbatas/bufandas de FFA se pueden comprar por \$65. Los estudiantes también pueden ganar una corbata/bufanda GRATIS de FFA a través de las recaudaciones de fondos de FFA. Las oportunidades para comprar y/o ganar una chaqueta y corbata/ bufanda de FFA GRATIS están disponibles para todos los estudiantes.

#6 – **Participación de FFA:** los estudiantes DEBEN participar activamente en los eventos/actividades de FFA, incluyendo la asistencia a las reuniones mensuales y la recaudación de fondos. Este es un requisito similar para los miembros de 4-H que crían/exhiben animales para la feria.

El propósito de este formulario es informar al estudiante interesado y / o considerando un proyecto animal para la feria que existen requisitos, estándares y responsabilidades que deben cumplirse antes, durante y después de cada feria. Esto se combina con el hecho de que tenemos recursos y oportunidades limitados disponibles para garantizar que todos los aspectos de los proyectos de animales de Atwater FFA sean manejables y dentro de la seguridad y el bienestar tanto de los animales como de los estudiantes. Cuando Atwater FFA se enfrente a la toma de decisiones sobre el número de estudiantes cuyos solicitantes serán aprobados, se decidirá/basará en los parámetros incluidos en este documento.

Para recibir una solicitud, usted (estudiante) debe reconocer que ha leído y comprendido los parámetros iniciales involucrados en el proceso de solicitud y que usted y un padre/tutor la firman. Se proporcionará más información adicional con las solicitudes para ganado lechero, cabras, ovejitas y cerdos que saldrán en diciembre, y las solicitudes para proyectos de aves y conejos se enviarán entre febrero y abril.

ESTE FORMULARIO SE DEBE ENTREGAR ANTES DEL 13 de noviembre de 2020 PARA SER ELEGIBLE PARA SOLICITAR/PARTICIPAR PARA LA FERIA 2021

Firma de Estudiante

Firma de Padre/Tutor

Fecha



Merced County Fair Exhibitor Pre-Application

Atwater High School Agriculture Department / Atwater FFA
PO Box 835 / 2201 Fruitland Ave
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2021 Merced County Fair Pre-Application Information For Students Interested in Raising/Exhibiting a Goat, Lamb, or Pig at the Merced County Fair in 2021

The Merced County Fair has approved 4 “plans” regarding the 2021 Merced County Fair and FFA livestock exhibitors:

Plan A – In-person fair with Livestock show and sale

Plan B – In-person Livestock show and sale; no in-person fair

Plan C – In-person Livestock show with a virtual sale; no in-person fair

Plan D – Virtual Livestock show and sale; no in-person fair

With the current COVID-19 situation, current school schedule (hybrid and online learning), the parameters and “unknowns” involved in the above plans listed above, and the unknown(s) regarding the costs, investment, health/safety parameters, and potential risks associated with not knowing what the situation will be in the coming months, spring, and summer, Atwater FFA will BE LIMITING the # of approved projects and students for this year’s fair. Priority will be given to past experienced students who are and remain “eligible” (based on the next/enclosed page/form). “New” exhibitors will be selected based on availability and the eligibility parameters listed on the next/enclosed page/form.

There will be a series of steps and requirements for students to follow/meet in order to qualify for the application process. The FIRST steps are:

- 1 – To read, understand, and sign (BOTH student and parent) the 2nd page of this form and have it turned into the school (in person or mail) by November 13, 2020. If you mail the form, it MUST BE POSTMARKED by Wednesday, November 11, 2020. (Please mail to the school PO BOX listed at the top of this page)
- 2 – All applicants for GOATS, LAMBS, or PIGS MUST attend a species specific Parent/Exhibitor ZOOM meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 18, 2020. This is MANDATORY for ALL student applicants regardless if they have raised, exhibited, or shown a livestock species for Atwater FFA or not. Only those students who we have received a “2021 Merced County Fair – Atwater FFA Pre-Exhibitor Application Information” form will be eligible and/or accepted into the Zoom meeting. That meeting MUST BE ATTENDED BY A PARENT or GUARDIAN – NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 3 – Additional forms will be made available for those without a printer at various scheduled dates/times and those opportunities will be communicated to the students.

Regardless of the challenges associated with COVID-19, distance learning, etc.... Atwater FFA will strictly adhere to the policies listed on the “Pre-Exhibitor Application Form” including one’s GPA and current grades. Academics, earning a diploma, and graduation take precedent over raising an animal. If a student does not have time to meet their academic responsibilities, it is hard to justify they have time to meet the responsibilities associated with all that is required in raising/exhibiting an animal for the fair.



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Student's Name (print):

Ag Teacher (print):

2021 Merced County Fair - Atwater FFA Pre-Exhibitor Application Information

Raising an animal to exhibit at the Merced County Fair as an Atwater FFA member is a privilege, not a right. While it remains a goal to provide as many students the opportunity to raise a small animal or livestock project for the fair, this "goal" does come with limitations based on student/animal resources, financial investment(s), manageability of students, and the health and safety of the animals. Just because you may have participated in raising and exhibiting at animal project for Atwater FFA last year, does not necessarily mean you will have the opportunity this year.

There will be certain requirements to be eligible in applying and being approved to raise/exhibit a small animal and/or livestock project with Atwater FFA. They include:

#1 – School Attendance: Students must be in good standing (1st and 2nd semester) in terms of school attendance. Unexcused/truant absences and/or tardies (for any classes / periods) may disqualify you. If you cannot demonstrate good attendance and/or showing up to class on time, how can we trust you will do so with your animal/livestock project?

#2 – Academics: Students must be in good academic standing. Graduating and earning a diploma takes precedence over raising an animal. "D's and/or F's", especially in an agriculture class, may/will disqualify you. This includes current PROGRESS REPORT grades. Raising an animal takes additional time and responsibility. It would be hard to justify adding more time and responsibility to ones schedule with an animal project if you are already having a challenge fitting in time to meet your academic responsibilities.

#3 – Behavior / Discipline: Any school behavior or discipline issues may/will disqualify you. The ability to "trust" you in an occasional unsupervised environment and demonstration of good judgement, behavior, and character is REQUIRED.

#4 – "Strikes", Work Ethic, and/or Effort: If you raised/exhibited a small animal and/or livestock project for the fair last year, and you earned one or more strikes (while raising the animal or showing at the fair), you may lose the opportunity this year. If you did not demonstrate showing up when required, being on time, being a team player, and/or putting forth a solid effort towards your responsibilities last year, you may have forfeited your opportunity to be part of the Atwater FFA Show Team this year. With the choice of participating, comes the responsibilities that come with it.

#5 – Students MUST Own an FFA Jacket w/ Tie/Scarf – The Merced County Fair requires students to have a full FFA uniform when showing. FFA jackets and ties/scarfs can be purchased for \$65. Students can also earn a FREE FFA jacket tie/scarf through FFA fundraisers. Opportunities for purchase and/or earning a FREE FFA jacket and tie/scarf are available to all students.

#6 – FFA Involvement – Students MUST be actively involved in FFA events/activities including monthly meeting attendance and fundraising. This is a similar requirement for 4-H members who raise/exhibit animals for the fair.

The purpose of this form is to inform the student interested and/or considering an animal project for the fair that there are requirements, standards, and responsibilities that have to be met prior, during, and after the each fair. This is combined with the fact we have limited resources and opportunities available to ensure all aspects of Atwater FFA animal projects are manageable and within the safety and well-being of both animals and students. When Atwater FFA is faced with making decisions on both the number of students which applicants will be approved, it will be decided/based on the parameters listed above.

In order to receive an application, you (student) must acknowledge you have read and understand the initial parameters involved in the application process and have it signed by both you and a parent/guardian.

More/additional information will be provided with applications for dairy cattle, goats, sheep, and swine going out in December, with poultry and rabbit project applications going out between February and April.

THIS FORM IS DUE ON/BEFORE November 13, 2020 TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY/PARTICIPATE FOR 2021 FAIR

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Atwater High School Agriculture Program

Atwater High School FFA

PO Box 835 / 2201 Fruitland Ave Atwater, CA 95301

209-357-6025 (office) www.AtwaterFFA.org



2021 Merced County Fair Exhibitor Application – Atwater FFA

(Application is to be attached with other fair related paperwork and within communicated due date)

Due to COVID, limits in animal stock, facilities, resources and the ability to safely manage animals and students in a safe, positive, and productive manner, the opportunities for students to participate in raising/exhibiting animals with Atwater FFA is limited. Selection/approval of students to participate will be based on previous fair experience/effort, one's academic/behavior standing, completion of required "pre-application" form, and involvement/participation in the FFA.

Date: _____ **Student/Applicant Name:** _____

Completed Merced County Fair Pre-Application Form Turned In Last Semester? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Current Grade Level: ☐ 8th (School: _____) ☐ 9th ☐ 10th ☐ 11th ☐ 12th
☐ Graduate

Animal Species Requesting to Raise/Exhibit for the Fair: (check box)

☐ Dairy Heifer ☐ Market Goat ☐ Market Hog ☐ Market Lamb ☐ Market Steer ☐ Poultry ☐ Rabbits

Have You Raised/Exhibited an Animal for Atwater FFA Before? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If "Yes", What Species? _____ **Year Raised/Shown:** _____
 _____ **Year Raised/Shown:** _____
 _____ **Year Raised/Shown:** _____

If You Raised/Exhibited an Animal LAST YEAR for Atwater FFA, How Many Documented "Strikes" Did You Receive?

☐ I have not shown for Atwater FFA ☐ 0 Strikes ☐ 1 Strike ☐ 2 Strikes ☐ 3+ Strikes

*(If you showed/raised/exhibited an animal for Atwater FFA before,
 you MUST have your species advisor verify the number of "strikes" received below)*

Advisor's Name: _____ **Advisor Verification Signature:** _____

Have You Raised/Exhibited an Animal for 4-H Before? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If “Yes”, What Species? _____ **What 4-H Club?** _____

Do You Have a Place To Keep Your Animal? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If “Yes” What is the Location/Place? _____ **Contact Person:** _____

What is Your Current GPA? _____ **Do You Have Any School Behavior/Discipline Records?**
☐ No ☐ Yes

If “Yes”, Please Explain Details:

Atwater FFA Participation/Activities: *(please check all that you have attended, participated, etc... for the past 12 months)*

Monthly FFA Meetings

- ☐ January “Movie Night” Meeting ☐ March “Bowling” Mtg ☐ April “Burrito
Movie” Mtg
☐ May Chapter Awards Meeting ☐ August Zoom “Ice Cream” Social ☐ September Zoom
Mtg
☐ October Movie Zoom Meeting ☐ November Zoom Greenhand / Chapter Degree Mtg
☐ December '19 “Morning Wave” Meeting

(February) National FFA Week: ☐ School Activities ☐ Other:

FFA Judging Team / Speaking Participation

- | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ag Mechanics | <input type="checkbox"/> Agronomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Cotton | <input type="checkbox"/> Creed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extemp Speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> Land/Soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Milk Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Impromptu Speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> Job Interview | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing Plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Meats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> Parli Pro | <input type="checkbox"/> Poultry | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Engines |

FFA Leadership Participation

- ☐ National FFA Convention (Zoom) – Completed FFA Choice Board Activity ☐ Chapter Officer
☐ Greenhand Officer ☐ Sectional Leadership Activity (Zoom) ☐ SOLS (Officers
Only)

FFA Activities

- ☐ Beautification Day Choice Board ☐ Project Competition ☐ Shop Night(s) ☐ Saturday Hort/Turf
Hours ☐ Plant Sale Shifts

Fundraisers:

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> March (last school year) Take-Out BBQ Tickets | # of Tickets Sold _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May (last school year) Take-Out BBQ Tickets | # of Tickets Sold _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September Take-Out BBQ Tickets | # of Tickets Sold _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> December Take-Out BBQ Tickets | # of Tickets Sold _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FFA Placemat Ad Sales | # of Ads Sold _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Floral Sales | # of Arrangements/Subscriptions _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Fest Tickets | # of Tickets Sold _____ |

Other FFA Related Activities Not Listed Above:

Any false or inaccurate information will result in disqualification.

Student Signature: _____ **Parent/Guardian Signature:** _____

Atwater FFA

Made For Excellence and Advanced Leadership Academy Application

March 19-20th, Zoom

SUMMARY: We are limited in the number of students we can select to attend due to our budget, transportation, scheduling, the student's academics (GPA) and logistics. It is our goal to evaluate all students interested in participating and evaluate those who qualify. Students may be required to pay a small fee towards the registration and hotel cost of the trip. OFFICIAL FFA UNIFORM REQUIRED.

DIRECTIONS: Please take the time to complete this application thoroughly. Please print neatly and clearly. Please take the time to answer each question sincerely as it will play a part in our evaluation and selection process.

SCHOLARSHIP: The cost to attend the MFE/ALA is around \$150 per student. In the past we have taken a limited amount of students and have only charged \$25 to the students attending.

DUE DATE: Please return your completed application (both sides) to Mrs. Mesa. All applications are due by Thursday, October 24th! By 3pm!!!!

No late applications will be accepted!

(please print clearly and in ink)

Name: _____ **Today's Date:** _____

Grade: (please circle) Senior Junior Sophomore **GPA:** _____

I am applying for: _____ MFE (traditionally geared for Sophomores)
 _____ ALA (traditionally geared for Juniors)

Have you attended MFE / ALA before? YES NO If yes, which one? ALA MFE

What are your current Ag classes? _____

Are you currently or have you served Atwater FFA in a leadership role? YES NO

If yes, what role(s)? _____

What do you consider your Top 5 FFA activities / accomplishments that you have participated in during your tenure at AHS?

1-

3-

2-

4-

5-

Why would you like to attend this year's conference and what do you want to get out of it?

What opportunities in the Atwater FFA and AHS Ag program have you participated in / experienced that demonstrates your desire and commitment to becoming one of our chapter's top student representatives and leaders?

If you are currently a sophomore or junior, what are your goals / interests in the AHS Ag program and FFA?

It will cost the Atwater FFA a lot of money to pay for student conference and hotel fees, meals, and transportation costs Why would it be a good investment to select you to go?

Point Award Top 20 Trip Semester 1 (May-December)

Name: _____ Ag Class: _____ Teacher: _____ Period: _____

May 2020

FFA Banquet

- Chapter Officer Elected _____/100
- Sectional Officer Elected _____/65
- Regional Officer Elected _____/75
- Star Greenhand _____/50
- Star Chapter Farmer _____/60

Los Banos/Chowchilla Fair

- Poultry/Rabbits _____/30

Animal Projects

- Class Winner (1st or 2nd) _____/10
- Breed Champion _____/15
- Overall Champion _____/25
- (Grand or Reserve) _____/25

Showmanship

- Top 10 Showmanship _____/15
- Showmanship Champion _____/25
- Round Robin Winner _____/50

May Total _____

June 2020 (Last year's Fair)

Merced Fair 2018

- Ag Mechanics Project(s) _____/25
- Beef/Dairy Fair Project _____/125
- Large Ag Mechanics Project _____/75
- Rabbit/Poultry Project(s) _____/25
- Swine / Goat / Sheep Project _____/75

Animal Projects

- Class Winner (1st or 2nd) _____/10
- Breed Champion _____/15
- Overall Champion _____/25
- (Grand or Reserve) _____/25

Showmanship

- Top 10 Showmanship _____/15
- Showmanship Champion _____/25
- Round Robin Winner _____/50

Ag Mechanic Projects

- Outstanding Project _____/25

June Total _____

July 2020

- Washington Leadership Conference _____/100
- ROLC _____/25

July Total _____

August 2020

Start of School

- Student Body Officer _____/35
- Class Officer _____/25
- FFA Ice Cream Social at Ag Dept _____/25

Placement Ad Sales

- Per Ad _____/20

August Total _____

September 2020

- Castle Fly By Meeting _____/25
- Football BBQ _____/20
- Greenhand Conference _____/30
- Drive Thru BBQ Tickets 10/ticket _____/10

September Total _____

October 2020

- Attended and Helped at FFA Plant Sale _____/25
- Atwater Beautification(10points / hour) _____/10
- Football BBQ _____/20
- Corn Maze Meeting at Ag Dept _____/25
- National Convention (50 points /day) _____/50
- Operation Christmas Child _____/50

October Total _____

November 2020

- Football BBQ _____/20

Greenhand / Chapter Farm Degree Ceremony

- Attended _____/20
- Greenhand Degree _____/30
- Chapter Farmer Degree _____/30

Project Competition

- Local _____/100

(Sectional Project Competition Points will be awarded after the banquet)

November Total _____

December 2020

- Morning Wave Meeting _____/25
- Drive Thru BBQ Tickets 10/ticket _____/10
- Can Food Drive 5 pts/ can _____/5

December Total _____

The Top Twenty students who earn the most amount of points will be eligible to attend the "Top Twenty Point Awards Trip" at the end of the year.

Point Award Top 20 Trip Semester 2 (January-May)

Name: _____ Ag Class: _____ Teacher: _____

January 2021

- Dodgeball Meeting _____/25

Super Saturday

- Creed _____/25
- Prepared Public Speaking _____/25
- Job Interview _____/25
- Impromptu _____/25
- Extemporaneous _____/25

Project Comp Banquet

- Silver _____/50
- Gold _____/100

January Total _____

February 2021

- MFE/ALA _____/75
- Sectional FFA Basketball _____/20
- Central Region Meeting _____/20
- Regional Speaking Contest _____/30

March 2021

- Bowling Meeting _____/25
- Drive Thru BBQ Tickets 10/ticket _____/10
- State Degree Awarded _____/100

March Total _____

April 2021

- Movie Night Meeting _____/25
- Sectional Meeting Livingston _____/15
- State FFA Conference FOUR DAY _____/100
- State Speaking Finals _____/50
- Sectional Officer-Elected _____/65

April Total _____

May 2021

- Drive Thru BBQ Tickets 10/ticket _____/10
- Plant Sale Helper _____/25

May Total _____

The Top Twenty students who earn the most amount of points will be eligible to attend the "Top Twenty Point Awards Trip" at the end of the year.

Judging Team Points

(Madera Cotton, Corcoran Cotton, MJC Cotton, Arbuckle, UC Davis, Westhills, Chico, Le Grand, Reedley, CRC, Merced, MJC, Fresno, Merced Ag Mech, Parli-Pro)

Participation at Each Contest

- 20 Points per Contest Attended _____

Individual Placing

- Top 5 Overall (20 Points per contest) _____

OR

- Top 10 Overall (10 Points per contest) _____

Team Placing

- Top 5 Overall (20 Points per contest) _____

OR

- Top 10 Overall (10 Points per contest) _____

State Finals

- Participation _____/40
- Team Top 5 Overall _____/40
- Team Top 10 Overall _____/20
- Individual Top 5 _____/40
- Individual Top 10 _____/20

GPA Points

- 3.5-4.0+ Overall GPA @ Semester _____/50
- 3.0-3.49 Overall GPA @ Semester _____/25
- 2.5-2.99 Overall GPA @ Semester _____/10

Total GPA _____

May 2020 Total

June 2020 Total _____

July 2020 Total _____

August 2020 Total _____

September 2020 Total _____

October 2020 Total _____

November 2020 Total _____

December 2020 Total _____

January 2021 Total _____

February 2021 Total _____

March 2021 Total _____

April 2021 Total _____

May 2021 Total _____

Judging Team Total _____

GPA Points _____

Committee Chairman 20/Committee _____

100% Attendance at Meetings _____/100

Grand Total _____



Point Award System

FFA Chapter Point Award System

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The Point Award System was developed in order to recognize and award those members who are most active in various FFA activities throughout the year. The top individuals will receive an award and recognition at our awards banquet in May. The members were invited to participate in a Point Award trip sponsored by the Atwater FFA. Recent Point Award trips have included rafting, Alcatraz tour, MLB game, and Santa Cruz.



2019 – 2020 Point Award Winners

** 2020 – 2021 Point Award trip was cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic*

Michael Bray
Tristan Cardey
Celeste Chargoy Velasco
Reagan Puthuff
Kaya Briscoe
Klarithsa Cruz
Faith Ceja
Emmanuel Mejia
Faith Johnson

Anessa Cardenas
Chelsea Thompson
Emma Garcia
Emily Junez
Colby Flatt
Elisabeth Garner
Hayley Vargas
Simarjot Gandhoke
Cristal Venegas

Luz Soto
Stephania Valdovinos
Jennifer Velazquez
Liliana Vargas
Daniel Lopez
Yusdivia Rojo
Jose Montanez

The Point Award System is an evaluation resource used by the Advisors towards selecting each year's Star Chapter Greenhand and Star Chapter Farmer award recipient.

Atwater FFA Point Awards List

I. FFA Leadership / Community Service / Workday Activities

A	Ag Dept. Workday	_____	20
B	Chairman		
	1. Over-all Chairman (Upon Completion of Report)	_____	20
C	Chapter FFA Degree (Year Received)	_____	15
D	Community Service Work	_____	5/Hour
E	Greenhand Degree (Year Received)	_____	30
F	Homecoming Float	_____	15 / day
G	Meetings		
	1. Attendance at Each Chapter Meeting	_____	25
	2. 100% Attendance at Chapter Meetings	_____	50
	3. Representing the Chapter at Sectional Meetings	_____	15
	4. Representing the Chapter at Regional Meetings	_____	20
	5. Representing the Chapter at State Meetings	_____	25 / day
	6. Representing the Chapter at National Meetings	_____	50 / day
H	Officers	_____	30
	1. Chapter Officer	_____	100
	2. Sectional Officer	_____	65
	3. Regional Officer	_____	75
	4. Student Body Officer	_____	35
	5. Class or Club Officer	_____	25
I	Own Official FFA Jacket	_____	25
J	Star Chapter Farmer	_____	60
K	Star Greenhand	_____	50
L	Star Regional Farmer	_____	100
M	Star Sectional Farmer	_____	50
N	Star State Farmer	_____	75
O	State FFA Degree (Application Submitted)	_____	100
P	State FFA Degree (Year Awarded)	_____	
Q	Wear FFA Jacket Or Apparel To School On Designated Day	_____	10

II. Fundraisers

A	AHS Football Game BBQ Crew	_____	20 / game
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FFA Chapter Point Awards System

B	FFA Plant Sale	_____	25
C	Placement Ad Sales	_____	20 / Ad
D	Take-Out BBQ Tickets	_____	10 / ticket

II Supervised Occupational Experience Program (SAE)

A	Agriculture Mechanics Project(s)	_____	25
B	Beef / Dairy Cattle Fair Project	_____	125
C	Landscape Project at Merced / Madera County Fair	_____	50
D	Large Ag Mech Project(s) – Instructor's Approval	_____	75
E	Plant / Horticulture Project(s)	_____	25
F	Swine / Goat / Sheep Fair Project	_____	75
G	Project Competition		
	1. Local Competitions	_____	50
	2. Sectional Competition		
	a. Gold Award Winner	_____	100
	b. Silver Award Winner	_____	50
H	Exhibition At Fairs And Shows		
	1. Animal Projects		
	a. Class Winner (1 st or 2 nd)	_____	10
	b. Breed Champion	_____	15
	c. Overall Champion (Grand or Reserve)	_____	25
	2. Agriculture Mechanics / Horticulture Projects		
	a. Outstanding Project	_____	25
	4. Showmanship		
	a. Top 10 Showmanship	_____	15
	b. Showmanship Champion	_____	25
	c. Round Robin Winner	_____	50

III Scholarship (Based On Semester Grade Only)

A	3.5 – 4.0+ Overall School Year GPA (all AHS classes)	_____	50
B	3.0 – 3.49 Overall School Year GPA (all AHS classes)	_____	25
C	2.5 – 2.99 Overall School Year GPA (all AHS classes)	_____	10

IV Judging Teams

A	Participation (Official FFA Contest)	_____	20
	Individual Placing		
	1. Top 5 Overall	_____	20
	2. Top 10 Overall	_____	10
	Team Placing		
	1. Top 5 Overall	_____	20
	2. Top 10 Overall	_____	10

(Double All Of The Judging Team Point For State Finals)

The Coach Of Each Individual Team Will Award Each Time Member That He Feels Is Deserving A One Time Award Of 150 Point At The End Of The Year.

V Best Informed Greenhand, Co-Op Quiz, Public Speaking, Parliamentary Procedure, Creed And Opening And Closing Ceremonies Contest

A	Chapter Competition	_____	20
B	Sectional Competition	_____	25
C	Regional Competition	_____	30
D	State Competition	_____	50

VI National Competitions (Participation)

A	Judging Teams	_____	200
B	Parliamentary Procedures	_____	200

VII Proficiency Awards

A	Local	_____	25
B	Submitting Regional Application	_____	35
C	Region State	_____	50
D	Nation	_____	75
E	Final Four	_____	150



FFA Constitution and By-Laws

<u>Atwater FFA Chapter Constitution</u>	109-115
<u>Merced/Mariposa Sectional Constitution and By-Laws</u>	116-119
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Article I: Names and Purposes

- Section A. The name of this organization shall be the Atwater Chapter FFA (Future Farmers of America) #CA0344
- Section B. The Purposes for which this Chapter is formed are as follows:
1. To improve agriculture conditions and practices in and about Merced County
 2. To develop agricultural skills or prepare for leadership, cooperative attitudes and rural responsibility, in individuals preparing to enter an agricultural occupation.
 3. To advance the cause of agriculture education and to encourage the FFA.
 4. FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for: premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agriculture education.

Article II: Organization

- Section A. The Chapter of the Future Farmers of America is a chartered local entity of the Merced-Mariposa Section of the California Association, made up of local members.

Article III: Membership Organization

- Section A. Membership in this organization shall be active and honorary.
- Section B. Membership is limited to students enrolled in Agriculture education at Atwater High School.
- Section C. Membership of graduates is limited to students that were active members their Senior year and graduated from high school.
- Section D. The Atwater FFA is a 100% affiliation Chapter with every student becoming a member of the FFA when they enroll in an agriculture class.
- Section E. No students may participate in any FFA activities unless they are members in good standing.
- Section F. The FFA Advisors at their own discretion have the right to dismiss any member from the Atwater FFA organization at any time.
- Section G. Active work in this chapter shall be carried on by active members.
- Section H. Award recipients must attend Chapter awards banquet to receive any awards.
- Section I. All members exhibiting livestock at fairs and shows must attend the fair awards ceremony with official uniform; jacket only.
- Section J. High School members exhibiting at fairs and shows must attend regular

chapter meetings to be eligible to show. All graduates are strongly encouraged to attend agricultural related meetings or activities.

Article IV: Officers

- Section A. The chapter officers for the Atwater FFA shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Sentinel, Historian, and Parliamentarian.
- Section B. All elective chapter officers shall hold office for one year after election or until successors are selected as described in Article IV, Section G.
- Section C. Application for chapter office shall be available two weeks prior to selection of officers via the Nominating Committee . All applications will be screened by the nominating committee.
- Section D. Members holding the FFA Greenhand Degree, or higher, are eligible to hold office.
- Section E. All officers must be enrolled in the Agriculture Leadership class that meets daily during the term of their office.
- Section F. Officers who cannot fulfill their duties or who are impeached will be replaced by the first alternate selected by the Nominating Committee.
- Section G. No officer may be impeached without due process as defined in Article VII.
- Section H. The Nominating Committee shall select the chapter officers.
- Section I. The Nominating Committee shall be composed of two student representatives from the 9th grade, 10th grade, 11th grade, 12th grade, the retiring 12th grade FFA chapter president, and advisors. Nominating Committee members are not eligible to run for chapter office. In the event the current FFA chapter president is not in the 12th grade, their spot on the Nominating Committee will remain vacant. The Nominating Committee will review officer applications, conduct interviews of prospective candidates, and select each chapter officer via a unanimous vote within the Nominating Committee.
- Section J. The time for Nominating Committee selection shall be set by the FFA Officer Team, and the Advisors.
- Section K. All FFA chapter officers who fall below a 3.0 grade average in the Agriculture class(es), or become academically ineligible, will be put on probation for six week period. If by the end of the next six week period, the grade average has not improved to a 3.0 or above, or does not become academically eligible, they will be replace by the manner described in Article IV, Section G.

- Section L. All newly elected officers are required to attend the Chapter Officer Leadership Retreat to be held the summer prior to the school year that they service as an officer as well as the fall Chapter Officer Leadership Conference (COLC). Officers which do not attend the conference, except for reasons beyond their control, i.e. sever illness, death in the family, will be replace in the manner described in Article IV, Section G.
- Section M. Greenhand Officer Team for the Atwater FFA are allowed to consist of a team of 6, 7 (6 + Historian), or 8 (6 + Historian and Parliamentarian), depending on the yearly candidacy. The Greenhand Officer candidates will go through a nominating screening process. The nominating committee will consist of the FFA Officers and Chapter Advisor. All applications for Greenhand office shall be available two weeks prior to selection of Greenhand officers via the Nominating Committee. All applications will be screened by the nominating committee. All Greenhand officers must be enrolled in the Agriculture Leadership class that meets daily during the term of their office.

Article V: Duties of Officers

- Section A. The duties and responsibilities of Chapter Officer shall be:
1. Attend all Chapter and Chapter Officer meetings.
 2. Attend Chapter and Regional Officer Leadership Training Conference
 3. Cooperate with advisors on all activities.
 4. Be able to lead by example. Act and perform in a manner which is becoming of an FFA Chapter officer at all times.
 5. Be willing to memorize their parts as prescribed in the Official FFA Manual for all official ceremonies.
 6. Have a genuine interest in being part of a leadership **TEAM**.
 7. Be familiar with the Chapter constitution and bylaws.
 8. Be willing to accept responsibility.
 9. Be familiar with parliamentary procedure.
- Section B. The duties and responsibilities of the President shall be:
1. Preside over and conduct meetings according to accepted parliamentary procedure.
 2. Call special meetings if needed.
 3. Keep members on the subject and within time limits.
 4. Appoint committees and serve as a non-voting member of them.

5. Call other offices to the chair as necessary or desirable.
6. Represent the Chapter and speak on occasions.
7. Coordinate Chapter efforts by keeping in close touch with the other Officers and members, and the advisors.
8. Follow up Chapter activities and check on progress being made.
9. Keep Chapter activities moving in a satisfactory manner.
10. Prepare agenda for Executive and Chapter meetings with the secretary.
11. Coordinate the activities of the Chapter and keep in touch with the progress of activities.

Section C. The duties of and responsibilities of the Vice-President shall be:

1. Assist the president.
2. Preside at meetings in absence of the president.
3. Be prepared to assume duties and responsibilities of the president.
4. In charge of insuring that all committee work of the Chapter is completed satisfactorily.
5. Responsible for the invocation at the Greenhand/Chapter Farmer awards ceremony, annual awards banquet and at other times when needed.

Section D. Duties and responsibilities of the Secretary shall be:

1. Prepare and read the minutes of the past meetings.
2. Have available for the President the list of business for each meeting.
3. Attend to office correspondence of the Chapter.
4. Prepare Chapter reports.
5. Keep the permanent records of the Chapter in the agriculture office.
6. Cooperate with the treasurer in keeping an accurate membership roster.
7. Call meetings to order in the absent of a presiding officer.
8. Read communication at meetings.
9. Have on hand for each meeting the following:
 - a. Secretary's book and minutes of previous meeting.
 - b. Lists of committee and committee reports.
 - c. Copy of the Program of Activities.
 - d. The Official FFA Manual.
 - e. Copies of the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws.
10. Prepare, post and distribute motions.

11. Work with the Chapter advisor to ensure the Chapter's Point Award system is current and up to date

Section E. Duties and Responsibilities of the Reporter shall be:

1. Gather and classify Chapter news.
2. Prepare news notes and articles for publication or broadcast.
3. Send news notes to the state reporter and to the FFA New Horizons.
4. Arrange for FFA participation in local radio and/or TV Programs.
5. Work with the Chapter advisor to ensure the Chapter website is maintained and current.
6. Ensure all news releases and articles are approved by the Chapter Advisors prior to being released.
7. Maintain the Chapter camera equipment and make certain it is available for use at each and every FFA activity during the year.
8. Ensure photographs and/or video is taken at all Chapter events/activities throughout the year and properly saved/cataloged.

Section F. Duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer shall be:

1. Receive and act as custodian of Chapter funds.
2. Assist in preparing an annual budget of estimated receipts and expenditures.
3. Keep the financial records of the Chapter.
4. Devise appropriate ways and means of financing chapter activities.
5. Organize and implement Chapter funds as authorized by the student body.
6. Prepare financial statements and reports as needed.
7. Encourage systematic saving—individual and Chapter thrift.
8. Build up chapter's financial standing.

Section G. Duties and responsibilities of a Sentinel shall be:

1. Set-up the meeting room and care for chapter paraphernalia and equipment.
2. Attend to the door during meetings and welcome visitors.
3. See that the meeting room is kept comfortable.
4. Take charge of candidates for degree ceremonies.
5. Assist with entertainment features and refreshments.
6. Keep an accurate roll of those present at Chapter meetings.

7. Make arrangements with the custodial staff for microphones and audio equipment prior to their need.

Section H. Duties and responsibilities of the Historian shall be:

1. Keep and maintain the Chapter scrapbook.
2. Assist the reporter in maintaining the Chapter camera equipment and make certain it is available for use at each and every FFA activity during the year.
3. Assist the reporter in ensuring photographs and/or video is taken at all Chapter events/activities throughout the year and properly saved/cataloged.

Section I. Duties and responsibilities of the Parliamentarian shall be:

1. Be proficient with parliamentary procedure.
2. Rule on all questions of parliamentary conduct at chapter meetings.
3. Serve as a participant or an ex-officio member of the parliamentary procedure team.
4. Conduct parliamentary procedure workshops at the chapter level.
5. Chair or serve as ex-officio member on the conduct of meetings committee.

Article VI: Impeachment

Section A. Immediate Impeachment

The FFA advisors may at any time at their own discretion remove an officer who has repeatedly disregarded his/her duties by not fulfilling them to his/her best ability.

Section B. Steps of Impeachment

Step 1. Any FFA Chapter officer not fulfilling the duties as described by this constitution will be required to meet with fellow officers and two Advisors to discuss a plan for improvement.

Step 2. A written plan of improvement will be drawn by the advisor based on the conversation of the meeting in Step 1, and will be confirmed and signed by the FFA President, Vice-President, and by the Officer in question.

Step 3. If the Officer in question still does not fulfill his/her duties, then a 2/3 vote of the Chapter officers and advisors will remove that Officer from office.

Article VII: Committees

Section A. A member may serve on not more than two committees at any one time and may only one committee if he/she is a chairperson of that committee.

Section B. The committee chairperson is responsible to call committee meetings and to see that all work that committee is assigned is performed.

- Section C. That committee chairperson shall cooperate with the Chapter advisors and Chapter officers on all committee work.
- Section D. That committee chairperson's report to the Chapter in writing will be the result of all work performed by his/her committee including financial implications for the Chapter.
- Section E. No person having been chairperson on any committee shall be eligible to work on another committee until the written report is made by the committee.

Article XIII: Meetings

- Section A. Meetings shall be held once a month.
- Section B. The president shall have the power to call special meetings as the need arises.

Article IX: Dues

- Section A. As long as incentive grant funds are available, dues shall be paid for all members through that source.

Article X: Eligibility to Participate at Fairs and Judging Contests

- Section A. Eligibility of members exhibiting at fairs and shows will be based on the Advisor's discretion.
- Section B. Members must maintain a 2.0 GPA with no F's in an Agriculture class to be eligible to exhibit at fairs and judging events.
- Section C. Members must comply with rules and guidelines set forth by the Chapter committee on fairs and shows.
- Section D. In the event that a student becomes academically ineligible to participate at a fair at which they planned to exhibit livestock, he/she will be placed on academic probation by the Agriculture Department. If that student becomes ineligible again, he/she will lose his/her privilege to exhibit at all fairs with the Atwater FFA Chapter for the next semester.

Article XI: Amendments

- Section A. To amend the Constitution, a 2/3 vote of the active members is required.
- Section B. To become effective, the amendment must be posted for two weeks previous to the vote of the active members.

Article XII: Ratification of Constitution

- Section A. The Constitution should become effective when passed by 2/3 vote of the members voting

**Merced/Mariposa Section
Future Farmers of America
Revised Sept. 2017**

Article I – Name and Purpose

Section A: The name of this organization shall be referred to as the Merced/Mariposa Section of Future Farmers of America. It is a section of the Central Region and the California Association of Future Farmers of America.

Section B: The purposes for this organization as formed are as follows:

Clause 1: To promote and encourage the fulfillment, on the sectional and chapter level, of the twelve (12) purposes of the organization, as outlined in the state constitution.

Clause 2: To provide and actively promote inter-chapter activities on a sectional basis.

Article II – Membership

Section A: The members of the organization shall be active, associate, and honorary members of the Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Hilmar, Le Grand, Livingston, Los Banos, Mariposa, Buhach Colony, Merced, Golden Valley, Pacheco, El Capitan, Delhi, and Stone Ridge Chapters.

Article III – Officers

Section A:

Clause 1: The officers of the Merced/Mariposa Section shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Sentinel, and Sectional Advisor.

Clause 2: These officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section B: The six (6) elected officers of the section shall be elected annually by majority vote of the voting delegates present at the election meeting.

Section C: To run for sectional officer the candidate must hold the Chapter FFA degree, be a sophomore or junior, and currently enrolled in high school in an agriculture education program.

Section D: A letter of resignation should be sent to the sectional advisor in the case of any officer being unable to fulfill their responsibility. An office constitutes being vacant when the officer is absent from three meetings, either a regular meeting or an executive meeting. Should any vacancy occur in any office, the president may appoint a member to fill the office until the next regular election with majority vote or consent from the voting delegates at the regular or special meeting.

Section E: The duties of the officers shall be:

Clause 1: President –To preside over all sectional meeting, conduct all business, represent the section at all activities, call special meetings, appoint committees, and serve as the ex- officio member of these committees.

Clause 2: Vice President –To preside over meetings in the absence of the president. Assist the president in conducting special activities, assume duties of the president in the event the office becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise.

Clause 3: Secretary –To conduct all sectional correspondence and record minutes of all meetings.

Clause 4: Treasurer –To be custodian of all section funds, and to keep a record of all section debts and credits.

Clause 5: Reporter –To report to the public all events and activities of the section. To maintain a sectional newsletter.

Clause 6: Sentinel –To take care of all paraphernalia, keep the meeting room comfortable, and help the president in maintaining order.

Clause 7: Advisor- To advise the organization in all problems and to help members in any way necessary. To assist the president in conducting the activities of the section. The chapter advisor of the sectional president will be the section advisor.

Section F: Sectional Officer Elections:

1. Each chapter will receive a sectional officer application one month prior to the sectional elections.
2. Each chapter is allowed to run any student that is a sophomore or junior who is in satisfactory standing at the Chapter level with at least their Chapter FFA Degree.
3. The application will be due two weeks prior to the elections.
4. The sectional advisor will review applications to make sure all applicants are eligible and create an interview schedule. The interviews will be scheduled in 10 minute intervals starting with the chapters closest to the interview site and ending with Mariposa. Interviews shall be held one week prior to the scheduled sectional meeting.
5. The interview panel will consist of the highest ranking current sectional officer who is not running for re-election. In addition, two advisors from the Merced/Mariposa section who do not have any applicants for sectional office. If two advisors are not available, then advisors from other sections or other qualified candidates will be asked to be part of the interview panel. The current sectional officer advisor will act as a consultant and be a non-voting member of the interview panel.
6. The interview panel will score each applicant separately without discussion. Once interviews are completed a maximum of 12 candidates will be chosen on interview and application scores.

These 12 candidates will be placed on the ballot. The ballot of officer candidates will be emailed out to all candidates and all Merced Mariposa Advisors before 7:00 pm on the evening of the interview.

7. The ballot will be presented to the delegates at the spring meeting. Candidates will then have 15 minutes to campaign the delegates. All campaign paraphernalia must be **free standing** and must be taken home after the meeting is over. No campaign paraphernalia may be given to FFA members except paper less than or equal to 8 1/2" by 11". No visible objects can be worn. No stickers will be permitted. No campaign paraphernalia can be passed out prior to the presentation of the ballot.
8. Each candidate will give a 2-minute campaign speech. All officer candidates shall remain in full dress uniform throughout the campaign and election process. No props of any kind may be used during the candidates' speech.
9. The election of all officers and special elections are done by secret ballot and counted by an advisor that has no candidates running for sectional office.
10. Each chapter is entitled to have 2 voting delegates to represent the chapter in all sectional meetings.
11. After speeches, the delegates will then vote for their top six candidates out of a possible twelve. The 6 candidates with the most votes will be appointed to sectional office. These 6 candidates once elected, will then be assigned an office by the original interview committee directly after the election.
12. No chapter may have more than 2 presiding officers at the time of election. This allows for any officers that transfer to another school within the section to do so without losing office.

Article IV – Voting Delegates

Section A: The elections of all officers and other special elections shall be by secret ballot.

Section B: Each chapter is entitled to have two (2) voting delegates to represent the chapter in all sectional meetings.

Article V – Dues and Assessments

Section A: Annual dues and fees will be determined by the membership of the Merced/Mariposa Section California Agriculture Teachers Association (CATA) Treasurer following the assessment of the sectional financial status. The payment of dues and fees will be due on December 1, of the Sectional fiscal year which begins immediately after the election of the officers for the Merced/Mariposa Section of Future Farmers of America.

Section B: Special assessments, which may become necessary from time to time for special activities that need extra support, will be determined by the Executive Committee and the Section CATA membership and collected by the CATA Treasurer. All special assessments for any sectional activity must be paid by the chapter prior to the activity or that chapter will not be allowed to participate.

Section C: Any chapter which has not submitted their dues and entry fees within the set time periods will no longer be considered in good standing and will not be allowed to participate in any other sectional activity until their payments have been made.

Article VI – Meeting

Section A: Meetings shall be called by the president at regular intervals to plan activities and conduct business. Special meetings may be called by the president when the need arises.

Article VII – Procedure

Section A: Parliamentary Procedure used in the meetings shall be in Accordance with the Robert's Rules of Order.

Section B: Each regular Section Meeting shall open and close with the Official FFA Ceremonies. The regular meetings of the Merced/Mariposa Section shall include: The Opening and Closing Ceremonies Contest, Sectional Project Competition, Best Informed Greenhand Contest, Super Saturday Public Speaking Contest (Creed, Impromptu, Prepared, Extemporaneous, and Job Interview Contests), Co-op Quiz Contest, Sectional Parliamentary Procedure Contest, and the Officer Elections.

Section C: The Merced/Mariposa Section shall put on special activities as deemed necessary.

Article VII – Amendments

Section A: Proposed amendments to this Constitution of the Merced/Mariposa Section of Future Farmers of America shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee for consideration. After reviewing the proposed amendment, the Executive Committee will send copies to each chapter. At the next regular meeting following the completion of the above acts, the proposed amendment shall be presented to the voting delegation.

Section B: Amendments to this constitution may be adopted by two thirds vote of the voting delegates present at any regular or special meetings in accordance with Section A, Article VII of this constitution with approval of the Executive Committee of the Central Region of FFA.

Section C: Ratification of this constitution and/or it's repealed after ratification and adoption shall consist of a passing vote of two thirds of the voting delegates from each of the following chapters: Atwater, Buhach Colony, Delhi, Dos Palos, El Capitan, Golden Valley, Gustine, Hilmar, Le Grand, Livingston, Los Banos, Mariposa, Merced, Pacheco and Stone Ridge.

CENTRAL REGION CONSTITUTION

Revised February 1989

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Amended October 1, 2011

Amended February 2012

Amended October 2015

Amended October 2017

ARTICLE I. NAME AND PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the “Central Region of the California Association, Future Farmers of America.”

Section B. The purposes for which this organization is formed are as follows:

1. To promote and encourage the fulfillment, on a Regional level, of the twelve (12) purposes of the organization, as outlined in the State Constitution.
2. To provide and actively promote inter-chapter activities on a Sectional and Regional basis.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. The members of this organization shall be active members in good standing in the chapters of the Central Region, as defined in the State Constitution.

Section B. To be eligible for office, a member must hold the degree of Chapter Farmer and be a Junior in their high school at the time they are elected to office and must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section A. The officers of the Central Region of the California Association of Future Farmers of America shall be:

President

Vice President – At Large representative

Vice President – North Area representative (Yolo, Sacramento, Delta Cal)

Vice President – South Area representative (Stan/T, Tri Rivers, Merced/Mar)

Secretary

Treasurer

Reporter

Sentinel

Regional Advisor

The officers of the region shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the delegates at the regular annual Regional Meeting held in the spring of each year. The Regional Supervisor serves as the Regional FFA Advisor.

Section B. All elected regional officers shall assume office at the Spring Regional Meeting of the calendar year in which they are elected. Unless removed from office for cause by the Executive Committee, they shall hold office for one full year. All vacancies may be filled by vote of the current Regional Officers.

ARTICLE IV. DUES

Section A. Regional dues shall be fixed annually by the State Association.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section A. One Regional Convention, and other meetings only as needed, shall be held each year at such time and place as designated by a consensus of the elected officers.

Section B. The Executive Committee shall meet as a planning committee preceding the Annual Spring Regional Meeting.

Section C. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendments to the Regional Constitution or By-Laws shall be submitted, in writing, by FFA Chapter, Section or Region officers, to the Executive Committee for consideration by January 10 preceding the Spring Regional meeting. They shall be prepared for voting upon recommendations. The Regional Officers will distribute the proposed amendment three weeks prior to the Regular Spring Regional Meeting to all Central Region chapters. (amended 10/1/11)

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. OFFICERS

Section A. Procedure of Election

1. All retiring Regional Officers and the Regional Advisor shall serve as the Nominating Committee. The nominating committee shall nominate two (2) candidates per office.
2. During the election process, candidates who are not elected to the office they were originally slated, may choose to slide to one (1) other position on the ballot. [Exceptions: The President and Vice President – At-Large are able to slide to the appropriate Area Vice President position. The North Area Vice President cannot slide to the South Area Vice President and vice versa, depending on which is elected first.]
3. There will be no nominations accepted from the floor.
4. There will be no more than four (4) candidates allowed to run for each position.
5. All regional officers shall be elected by majority vote of the delegates present at the annual Spring Region Meeting.
6. All candidates must give a speech not to exceed two (2) minutes. If the candidate exceeds the time limit, time will be called and the microphone will be disabled.
7. In addition to a candidate speech, each candidate will have one (1) minute to answer a question in an impromptu fashion in front of the delegates. The questions shall be based on agriculture, agricultural education or FFA issues and will be prepared in advance by the Nominating Committee. Every candidate running for a particular position will answer the same question, having been prevented from knowing or hearing them in advance (i.e. all secretary candidates will respond to the same question.) After one (1) minute, time will be called and the microphone will be disabled.

Section B. Duties

1. President

- a) It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all meeting of the Central Region of the California Association, Future Farmers of America, and over all the meeting of the Regional Executive Committee.
- b) The President shall call one Regional meeting each year.

- c) The President shall call special meetings of the Regional Organization or of the Executive Committee when requested to do so by a majority vote of the Regional Executive Committee or by the Regional Advisor. Other duties may be assigned by the Executive Committee.
- d) The President shall appoint all special committees and may serve as an ex- officio member of these committees.
- e) The President shall attend State Executive meetings as the representative of the Central Region of Future Farmers of America. If not able to attend, the President is to notify the regional advisor and a representative shall be appointed.

2. Vice President

- a) The Vice President At-Large shall assume all duties of the President in the event that the office becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise.
- b) The Vice President At-Large shall preside over all meetings in the absence of the President and shall assume all other duties the President as assigned by the Executive Committee.
- c) The Northern Area and Southern Area Vice Presidents shall assume all duties as a Central Region Officer and serve as liaisons between the sections of their respective area and the Central Region.

3. Secretary

- a) The Secretary shall perform the duties common to this office that include keeping an accurate record of the minute of the Regional Organization or of the Executive Committee.

4. Treasurer

- a) The Treasurer shall perform all duties common to such an office and any other duties as directed by the Regional Advisor or the Executive Committee.

5. Reporter

- a) It shall be the duty of the Reporter to prepare all news notes suitable for publication, particularly in the FFA New Horizons.

6. Sentinel

- a) It shall be the duty of the Sentinel to assist in the conduct of all Regional meetings – by greeting the guests, seating, the delegates, arranging the paraphernalia, displays, and decorations and carrying out any other duties assigned to him/her by the President.

7. Regional Advisor

- a) The Regional Advisor is a member of the Executive Committee and an ex- officio member of all committees. It is his/her duty to advise the Executive Committee and other committees on matters of policy and assist the Regional Officers in conducting the meetings and programs.
- b) The word of the Regional Advisor shall be final in cases of the interpretation of this Constitution or By-Laws between Regional Executive meetings.

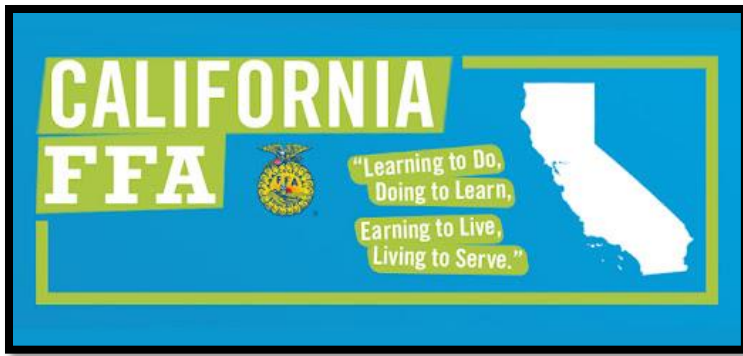
ARTICLE II. VOTING

- a) Each chapter in good standing is entitled to two delegates to represent their chapter at all Regional meetings.
- b) Each member of the Regional Executive Committee shall have a vote at all Regional meetings.

ARTICLE III. COMMITTEES

Section A. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the eight current elected Regional Officers and the Regional Advisor. The Executive Committee is authorized to act in the name of the Central Region Future Farmers of America between annual conferences, subject only to such regulations and by-laws as may be adopted by the Central Region Future Farmers of America.

Section B. The Regional Officers shall be empowered to perform all business of the Central Regions between annual meetings.



Due to the length of both the State and National Constitutions, we are unable to include them in our Program of Activities. However, if you would like to view them, please click the links below:

[California Association Future Farmers of America Constitution and By-Laws](#)

[National FFA Organization National Constitution and Bylaws](#)



Atwater FFA Budgets

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As a self-supporting, non-profit organization, the earnings and savings aspect of our chapter is very important towards the success and productivity of our **2019-2020** school year.

The chapter earns money in various ways in order to finance FFA events and activities throughout the year. Some of these activities include:

- Atwater Ag Booster Dinner
- Atwater FFA “Fall Fest” Dinner / Auction
- Atwater FFA Plant Sales (2)
- AHS Ag Mechanics Wood/Metal Project Sales
- BBQ Take-Out Dinners (4)
- Floral Project(s), Weddings/Event(s) Sales
- Milk Vending Machine
- Placemat Ad Fundraiser

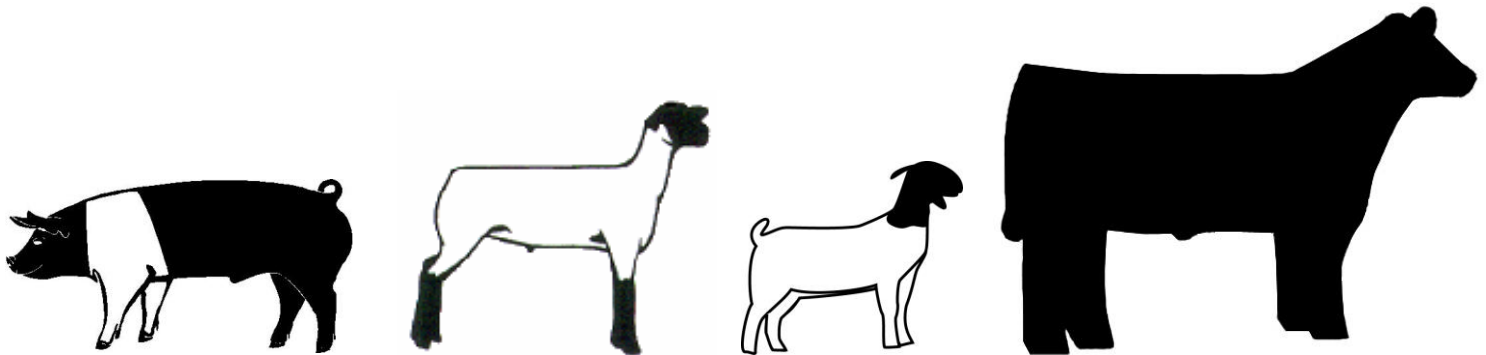


Atwater FFA Chapter Budget

2021 - 2022 Atwater High School Agriculture Department / Atwater FFA Budget									
	FFA	FFA	FFA	FFA	FFA	MUHSD & AIG	MUHSD/CTEIG	Carl	
	General	Floral	Hort	Metal	Wood/Eng	(Matching Total)	Special/General	Perkins	
REVENUE	Accts	Accts	Accts	Accts	Accts	Acct	Acct	Acct	Total
Ag Boosters Allocation	\$ 13,000.00								\$ 13,000.00
Ag Incentive Grant						\$ 24,000.00			\$ 24,000.00
Ag Incentive District Match						\$ 24,000.00			\$ 24,000.00
AHS Site Allocation							\$ 15,000.00		\$ 15,000.00
Carl Perkins Funding								\$ 43,700.00	\$ 43,700.00
Community Donations (Nationals)	\$ 7,000.00								\$ 7,000.00
CTIEG Grant							\$ 41,860.00		\$ 41,860.00
District CTE Projects / General									\$ -
District Transportation Allocation									\$ -
Fall Fest Fundraiser	\$ 15,000.00								\$ 15,000.00
Floral Projects		\$ 35,000.00							\$ 35,000.00
Horticulture Projects			\$ 6,000.00						\$ 6,000.00
Merced Fair Projects (Premiums/Awards)			\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00					\$ 1,500.00
Metal Shop Projects				\$ 8,000.00					\$ 8,000.00
Milk Vending Machine	\$ 2,000.00								\$ 2,000.00
Placemat Ad Fundraiser	\$ 6,000.00								\$ 6,000.00
Specialized / Ag Industry Grant									\$ -
Student Shop Project Loan									\$ -
Take-Out BBQ Fundraisers	\$ 17,000.00								\$ 17,000.00
Wood / Eng. Shop Projects					\$ 4,000.00				\$ 4,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 56,860.00	\$ 43,700.00	\$ 263,060.00
	FFA	FFA	FFA	FFA	FFA	MUHSD & AIG	MUHSD/CTEIG	Carl	
	General	Floral	Hort	Metal	Wood/Eng	(Matching Total)	Special/General	Perkins	
Expenses	Acct	Acct	Acct	Acct	Acct	Acct	Acct	Acct	Total
Ag Staff / CATA Professional Development						\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 19,700.00
Ag/FFA Marketing & Promotion	\$ 3,000.00					\$ 2,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
Ag / Facility Equipment / Supplies	\$ 2,000.00					\$ 1,000.00			\$ 3,000.00
Class/Course Curriculum/Certifications							\$ 5,000.00		
Classroom/Lab Equipment	\$ 1,000.00					\$ 2,000.00			\$ 3,000.00
Classroom/Lab Supplies						\$ 2,000.00			\$ 2,000.00
FFA Events, Activities, and Transportation	\$ 7,000.00							\$ 2,700.00	\$ 9,700.00
FFA Field Day Registrations/Hotel	\$ 5,000.00					\$ 15,000.00			\$ 20,000.00
FFA Leadership Conferences/Retreats	\$ 5,000.00						\$ 1,360.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 11,360.00
FFA Meetings (Food, Supplies, etc.)	\$ 4,000.00								\$ 4,000.00
FFA Membership Dues						\$ 11,000.00			\$ 11,000.00
FFA National Convention / Finals	\$ 14,000.00							\$ 6,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
FFA State Leadership Convention	\$ 5,000.00								\$ 5,000.00
FFA Supplies	\$ 2,000.00					\$ 800.00		\$ 14,000.00	\$ 16,800.00
FFA/Fair Equipment and Supplies	\$ 3,000.00								\$ 3,000.00
Floral Equipment		\$ 5,000.00							\$ 5,000.00
Floral Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 30,000.00				\$ 4,000.00			\$ 35,000.00
Horticulture Equipment			\$ 2,500.00				\$ 14,000.00		\$ 16,500.00
Horticulture Supplies / Plant Stock	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 4,000.00				\$ 1,000.00		\$ 6,000.00
Office/Operation Supplies & Equip									\$ -
Poultry Facility / Equipment / Supplies									\$ -
School Farm Facility / Equipment / Supplies									\$ -
Sm Engine / Wood Shop Equipment & Maint.					\$ 1,500.00		\$ 17,000.00		\$ 18,500.00
Sm Engine / Wood Shop Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,000.00				\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00			\$ 6,500.00
Student Fundraising Incentives	\$ 5,000.00								\$ 5,000.00
Student Shop Loan Repayment									\$ -
Welding Shop Equipment & Maint.				\$ 1,000.00			\$ 16,000.00		\$ 17,000.00
Welding Shop Supplies	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 8,000.00		\$ 6,000.00			\$ 15,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 56,860.00	\$ 43,700.00	\$ 263,060.00

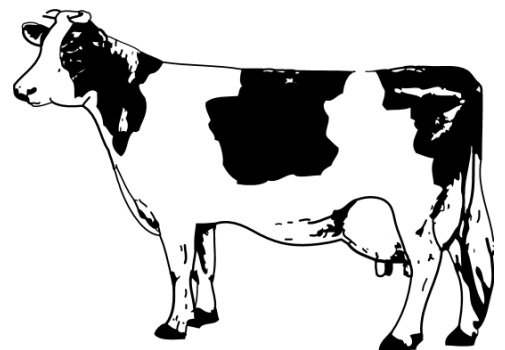
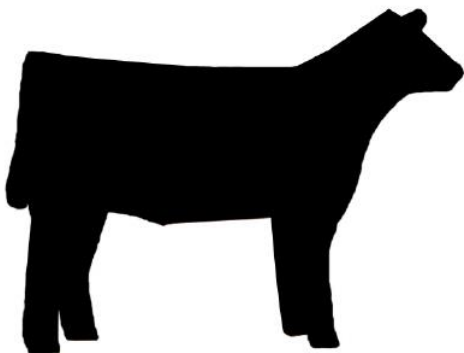
Merced County Fair S.A.E. Budgets

	Market Hog	Market Lamb	Market Goat	Market Steer
<u>Expenses</u>				
Purchase of animal	320	400	350	1000
Livestock Insurance	15	15	10	200
Veterinary Supplies	15	10	5	50
Fair Bedding	15	15	15	40
Feed	300	150	200	1500
Show Supplies	25	20	20	50
<u>Income</u>				
Sale of hog (230lbs @ \$3/lb)	690			
Sale of lamb (135 lbs @ \$5/lb)		675		
Sale of goat (100 lbs @ \$7.00/lb)			700	
Sale of steer (1200 lbs @ \$2.50 /lb)				3000
Total Estimated Receipts	690	675	700	3000
Total Estimated Expenses	645	610	600	2840
Estimated Net Profit	45	5	100	160



Merced County Fair S.A.E. Budgets

	Bred Heifer	Dairy Heifer	Fryer Rabbit	Rabbit Meat Pen
<u>Expenses</u>				
Purchase of animal(s)	1200	1200	20	60
Livestock Insurance	75	60		
Veterinary Supplies	60	75		
Fair Bedding	20	40		
Feed	850	500	10	30
Show Supplies	30	75	10	10
Breeding Fees	200			
<u>Income</u>				
Sale of beef bred heifer	2500			
Sale of dairy replacement heifer		2000		
Sale of rabbit(s)			75	150
Sale of steer (1200 lbs @ \$1.30 /lb)				
Total Estimated Receipts	2500	2000	75	150
Total Estimated Expenses	2435	1950	40	100
Estimated Net Profit	65	50	35	50





Atwater High School Agriculture Department Data

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Department Course Enrollment Data

Past 10 Years: 2012 - 2021

Course Enrollment			2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1st	**	Ag Biology	227	271	194	244	221	249	216	168	116	103
	**	Ag Earth Science	152	201	173	165	178	203	159	164	160	174
Year	*	Ag Shop Skills	106	109	74	126	75	135	156	163	161	103
Courses	*	Exploration in Agriculture	n/a	72	32	61	55	70	73	69	67	68
2nd/3rd		Ag Wood Construction I	26	22	58	59	59	56	95	85	86	115
Year	**	Animal Anatomy/Physiology	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	33	76	63	58
Courses		Art & History of Floral Design I	116	120	155	108	145	159	195	150	115	173
		Small Engines	24	68	51	67	58	86	99	89	70	58
		Welding Tech 1	65	50	57	45	53	79	81	89	77	102
		Adv Sm Eng / Power Mechanics	31	32	39	26	22	26	29	50	48	44
		Ag Facility Assistant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	0
		Ag Economics / Government	34	36	39	41	41	39	64	73	39	37
		Ag Leadership	35	35	49	55	58	55	22	27	23	24
3rd / 4th		Ag Soil and Chemistry	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	76	80	77	71
Year		Ag Wood Construction II	6	11	7	13	10	19	21	49	46	38
Courses		Ag Wood Construction III	12	1	5	4	5	2	7	7	14	25
		Art & History of Floral Design II	n/a	n/a	10	20	26	32	55	99	63	49
		Art & History of Floral Design III	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	23
	**	Environmental Horticulture	31	21	31	25	22	38	55	74	34	55
		Equipment Construction I/II	5	5	4	6	10	12	23	20	23	31
		Turfgrass and Sports Field Mngmt	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	17	26	20
	**	Veterinary Science	37	38	39	28	29	38	76	26	42	45
		Welding Tech II	22	18	19	21	25	19	29	50	67	53
Courses	**	Ag Business Management	n/a	n/a	23	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	**	Ag Environmental Science	35	55	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Closed	**	Ag Food Science	n/a	28	n/a	n/a	37	34	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	*	Ag Life Science	107	n/a	71	37	29	30	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Course Enrollment:			1071	1193	1130	1151	1158	1381	1564	1625	1424	1469
			* Freshman entry course									
			** Science Graduation Credit									
			*** Primarily non-Ag students. Covered Industrial Tech students									
R-2 Information (Individual Entry)			2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
		Freshman Year 1 Ag	308	304	269	308	n/a	332	301	322	262	297
		Sophomores Year 1 Ag	24	74	40	76	n/a	87	81	67	70	99
		Juniors Year 1 Ag	28	41	28	49	n/a	96	76	61	50	56
		Seniors Year 1 Ag	34	37	32	44	n/a	40	28	45	16	16
		Sophomores Year 2 Ag	251	184	206	171	n/a	137	242	208	196	151
		Juniors Year 2 Ag	19	29	36	29	n/a	56	81	78	61	77
		Seniors Year 2 Ag	9	30	20	7	n/a	32	54	58	29	44
		Juniors Year 3 Ag	101	114	115	100	n/a	129	110	206	169	136
		Seniors Year 3 Ag	10	30	12	32	n/a	42	37	46	44	38
		Seniors Year 4 Ag	64	62	78	76	n/a	53	84	79	116	129
		Continuing FFA Enrolled Graduates	20	14	30	25	n/a	34	15	32	21	21
			2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
		Total Freshman	308	304	269	308	236	332	301	495	262	297
		Total Sophomores	275	258	246	248	273	224	323	344	266	250
		Total Juniors	148	184	179	178	240	281	267	252	280	269
		Total Seniors	107	159	142	159	160	167	203	79	205	227
		Total AHS Ag Enrollment	838	905	836	893	909	1004	1094	1170	1013	1043
		Total 13th / 14th Grade	20	14	30	25	13	34	15	32	21	21
		Total AHS FFA (R-2) Enrollment	858	919	866	918	922	1038	1109	1202	1034	1064

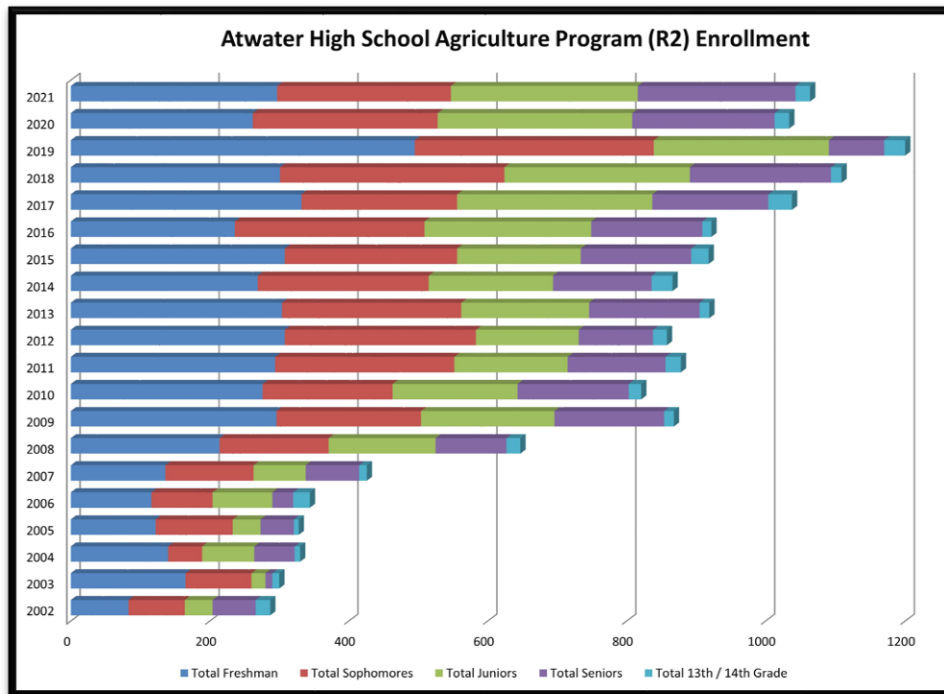
Atwater High School FFA Enrollment History

California Agriculture Education – R-2 Enrollment

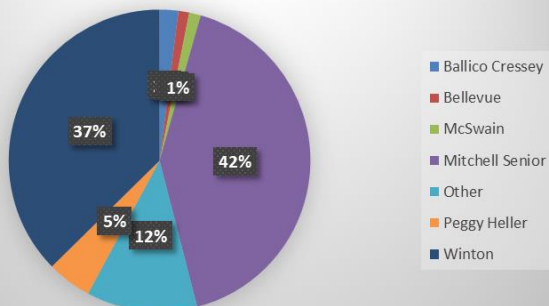
(*Individual students enrolled in agriculture courses*)

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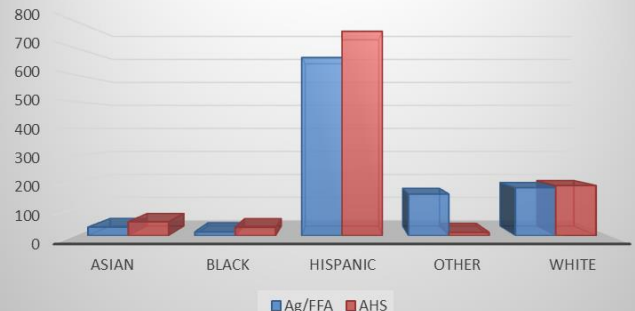
2002	287 students	2015	918 students
2003	300 students	2016	922 students
2004	330 students	2017	1038 students
2005	328 students	2018	1109 students
2006	344 students	2019	1202 students
2007	426 students	2020	1034 students
2008	647 students	2021	1064 students
2009	868 students	2022	
2010	821 students	2023	
2011	878 students	2024	
2012	858 students	2025	
2013	919 students		
2014	866 students		



Middle School Graduates in Ag/FFA



2021-2022 Student Ethnicity



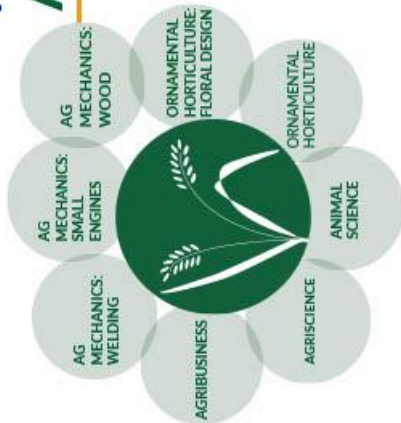
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Agriculture & Natural Resources



Industry Sector Descriptor

The Agriculture and Natural Resources sector is designed to provide a foundation in agriculture for all agriculture students in California. Students engage in an instructional program that integrates academic and technical preparation and focuses on career awareness, career exploration, and skill preparation in various pathways. The pathways emphasize real-world, occupationally relevant experiences for students in the Merced Union High School District. Classroom and laboratory instruction, supervised agricultural experience projects, and leadership and interpersonal skills development prepare students for continued training, advanced educational opportunities, and entry to a career.



PATHWAY	Ag Mechanics: Small Engines	Ag Mechanics: Welding	Ag Mechanics: Wood	Agribusiness	Agriscience	Animal Science	Ornamental Horticulture	Ornamental Horticulture: Floral Design
INTRO COURSE	Ag Shop Skills + ♦	Ag Shop Skills + ♦	Ag Shop Skills + ♦	Exploration in Ag +	Exploration in Ag +	Exploration in Ag +	Exploration in Ag +	Exploration in Ag +
CONCENTRATION	Small Engines + ♦	Ag Welding Technology 1 + ♦	Ag Wood 1	Ag Government + / Ag Economics + Ag Leadership & Technology +	Ag Biology of the Living Earth + Ag Earth & Space Science +	Animal Anatomy & Physiology +	Environmental Horticulture + ♦ Turfgrass & Sports Field Mgmt 1	Art & History of Floral Design 1 + ♦
CAPSTONE	Advanced Small Engines + ♦	Ag Welding Technology 2 + ♦ Equipment Construction 1 + ♦	Ag Wood 2 Ag Wood 3	Ag Chemistry in the Earth System +		Veterinary Science + ♦	Horticulture 2 + ♦ Turfgrass & Sports Field Mgmt 2	Art & History of Floral Design 2 + Retail Floral 3 +

+ Course satisfies a UC/CSU A-G admissions requirement. ♦ Pending approval as a UC/CSU A-G admissions requirement.
♦ Potential for articulation with a local college. Articulation varies by campus.

Atwater High School Agriculture Department 2020-2021 Staff Assignments/Responsibilities

Ag Department				Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas
Department Chair							X				
Accounting											
American Ag Credit Loans (Goats, Sheep, & Swine)							X				
American Ag Credit Loans (Dairy Helpers)									X		
American Ag Credit Loans (Beef)										X	
Atwater Feed Accounting (Merced Fair)							X				
Atwater Feed Accounting (Poultry)											X
Atwater Feed Accounting (Rabbits)					X						
CATA Registration			X								
CTEIG Funding Application, Budget, and PO's							X				
Department / Program Budget							X				
District Accounting Requisitions and PO's			X								
FFA (SBO) Requisitions / PO's							X				
FFA / Ag Dept. Travel/Hotel Reservations							X				
Office Supplies Orders							X				
Perkins Funding Application, Budget, and PO's			X				X				
State FFA Hotel Reservations							X				
Transportation - Charter Buses / Rentals							X				
Transportation (District) Requests, Requisitions, and PO's					X						
General Program / Facility											
5-year Equipment Allocation			X								
Advisory Committee Roster & Minutes							X				
AET Operations and Records Coordinator					X						
Ag Advisory Committee Planning and Agenda							X				
Ag Booster Committee							X				
Chart of Staff Responsibilities							X				
Comprehensive Program Plan			X								
Department Communication Liaison							X				
Department Marketing and Public Relations							X				
Department Meeting Agendas / Calendars							X				
Graduate Follow-Up			X								
Incentive Grant / Incentive Grant Reviews			X								
In-Service Activities List			X								
Keys and Locks										X	
Maintain Comprehensive Program Plan Binder			X								
Maintain Program Management Binder			X								
Maintenance Requests (Shops)										X	
Maintenance Requests General			X		X		X	X	X		X
Program of Activities (FFA, Data, and Budget Data)							X				
Program Press and Media							X				X
Quarterly / Yearly CATA Meetings / Events			X		X		X	X	X	X	X
R2 Report & Roster			X								
Recruitment (Mitchell Senior and Winton Middle)			X				X				
Report of Expenditures			X								
Website Design / Management							X				
Website Reporter/Article/Photos Updates/Management											X

Atwater High School Agriculture Department 2020-2021 Staff Assignments/Responsibilities

Horticulture Facility									
	Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas	
Ag Building Garden Plots				X					
Farm / Crop Lab			X						
Floriculture / Outside Floral Fridge	X					X			
General Care and Maintenance				X					
Grape Vineyard				X					
Greenhouse				X					
Horticulture Equipment Maintenance				X					
Lathe House				X					
Mini-Orchard Lab				X					
Nursery Facility / Gardens				X					
OH Storage Containers				X					
Pole Barn Horticulture				X					
Rose Lab				X					
School Planter Beds (Floral)	X				X				
Shop / Equipment / Machinery									
Ag Shop Maintenance - Small Engines		X							
Ag Shop Maintenance - Welding							X		
Ag Shop Maintenance - Wood			X						
Ag Trucks							X		
BBQ Trailers							X		
Floral Trailer Maintenance	X								
Forklift Maintenance			X						
Livestock Trailers							X		
School Shop and Equipment		X	X				X	X	
Shop Nights		X	X				X	X	
Storage Buildings/Containers							X		
Tractor Maintenance			X						
Project Supervision									
Ag Mechanics		X	X				X	X	
Beef Projects							X		
Dairy Cattle Projects						X			
Goat (Dairy) Projects					X				
Goat (Market) Projects	X								
Floriculture Projects	X					X			
Horticulture Projects				X					
Poultry (Chickens)			X						
Poultry (Turkeys)		X							
Rabbits		X							
Sheep Projects					X				
Swine Projects				X					
Work Experience Projects	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Atwater High School Agriculture Department 2020-2021 Staff Assignments/Responsibilities

FFA Judging Teams / Contests										
	Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas		
Ag Issues						X				
Ag Mechanics							X			
Citrus		X								
Cotton	X									
Creed Speaking					X					
Dairy Products				X						X
Extemporaneous Speaking						X				
Farm Records		X								
Floriculture	X									
Impromptu						X				
FFA Judging Teams / Contests (Cont.)										
	Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas		
Job Interview										X
Land and Soil Evaluation							X			
Meats	X									
Nursery and Landscape (Horticulture)				X						
Opening and Closing Advanced						X				
Opening and Closing Novice	X	X		X	X	X				X
Parliamentary Procedure (Novice)					X					
Parliamentary Procedure (Advanced)		X								
Poultry			X							
Prepared Public Speaking					X					
Vegetable Crops										X
Veterinary Science					X					
Awards										
	Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas		
Awards Banquet	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Award Orders (National FFA / Trophy Case)				X						
Greenhand / Chapter Farmer Awards Ceremony	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
National Chapter Award Application						X				
Scholarships						X				
POA Tabulations						X				
Proficiency Awards		X								

Atwater High School Agriculture Department 2020-2021 Staff Assignments/Responsibilities

Fundraisers	Borba	Fishman	Flatt	Gossman	Helton	Mesa	Meredith	Vargas
Ag Mechanics Projects (Plasma Art, Wood, and Engines)		X	X				X	X
"Fall Fest" Fundraiser Organization, Donations, Tickets, Auction				X				
"Fall Fest" Fundraiser Food / Drink	X				X	X	X	
"Fall Fest" Fundraiser Decorations / Set-Up	X	X	X		X			X
Floral Projects - Balloons	X					X		
Floral Projects - Graduation	X					X		
Floral Projects - Homecomings / School Specialty Events	X					X		
Floral Projects - Prom	X					X		
Floral Projects - Subscriptions	X					X		
Floral Projects - Weddings / Specialty Events Coordinator	X					X		
Floral Projects - Winter Formal	X					X		
Floral Website	X					X		
Floral Social Media	X					X		
Football Game BBQ Supervisor (1 Game Each)		X	X	X	X			X
Plant Sale (Fall)		X		X			X	
Plant Sale (Spring)		X		X			X	
Placement Ads				X				
Save Mart S.H.A.R.E.S. Program				X				
Take-Out BBQ's Accounting/Deposit	X							
Take-Out BBQ's (4) Cooking			X				X	
Take-Out BBQ Costco, Smart & Final, and Sysco			X					
Take-Out BBQ Meat Pick-up							X	
Take-Out BBQ Supervision	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Take-Out BBQ's Ticket Printing						X		



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