



# WINTER 2022 NATIONAL FFA UPDATE

## FFA Value Statements

1. We respect and embrace every individual's culture and experiences.
2. We welcome every individual's contribution to advance our communities and the industry of agriculture.
3. We cultivate an environment that allows every individual to recognize and explore their differences.
4. We create leadership opportunities for every individual to enhance their personal and professional endeavors.

## WLC

WLC is a go for 2022. Bus groups were contacted in December. Information, prices, and dates are posted at:

<https://www.ffa.org/conference/washington-leadership-conference-wlc/>

## CDE/LDE Revisions

Event revisions are NO LONGER made on a five-year cycle. Rather, revisions are made as needed and as directed by event committees. Significant updates are made with at least one year's advance notice before implementing.

## Keystone Steel/Red Brand Wire

Every new order of qualifying Red Brand Field Fence placed by dealers will result in \$1 donated to a local FFA chapter in the dealer's name Home Grown runs from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 and applies to all new orders. Each retailer is able to choose up to three FFA chapters. The annual enrolment deadline is March 31.

[For more information or to sign up.](#)

## NEOGEN ®

NEOGEN will donate \$2 to the National FFA Foundation for each bottle of Prozap® StandGuard® Pour-on horn fly and lice control solution that is sold from Oct.1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, up to a total of \$250,000. Learn more at:

<https://www.neogen.com/categories/insect-control/prozap-standguard-pour-on>

## Hall of States

Going fully virtual in 2022. One to 2.5 minute video due September 15<sup>th</sup>. 2-4 FFA members compete. One entry per state. Rules and rubric at:

<https://ffa.box.com/s/o0d3gzqx9fp7wud2vddmso0mch5oemh4>

## 100% Membership

100% 9-12 ag ed enrollment as FFA members by 2028.

- What ways can my state rethink how we bill for membership?
- What would change on our end if National FFA does away with 24 levels of billing?

## Invoices and Billing

Billing contact option went live in November, 2021.

This new system allows chapters to view outstanding and paid invoices, update billing contact information, and make invoice delivery more accurate and timely. Questions can be directed to [billquestions@ffa.org](mailto:billquestions@ffa.org)

## National FFA Week

Need ideas and turn-key planning resources for National FFA Week? Check out the [National FFA Week Implementation Guide](#). National FFA Week is Feb. 19-26, 2022.

## Proficiency Award Scoring Rubrics

Updates to the Agricultural Proficiency Award Scoring Rubrics were shared in August. The updates reflect the removal of the resume from the application. The three points formerly possible for the resume have been removed, and the number of points possible for the Learning Outcomes and Efficiency Factors section has increased by two points. The number of points possible for spelling and grammar has increased by one point. Minor formatting and grammar updates were also made. PDF copies of the new rubric versions are posted on the [Agricultural Proficiency Awards webpage](#), under the "Proficiency Resources" button.

## Team Ag Ed Inservice

National FFA invites states to send five individuals to participate in the Team Ag Ed Inservice in Indianapolis, **January 25-27, 2022**. This is an opportunity for the profession to learn and network in person. A planning committee consisting of state leaders, educators, professors and national FFA staff has been organized and will help plan the agenda for the event.

[Event Overview](#)  
[Draft Agenda](#)  
[Questionnaire](#)

Registration opened December 1.

## New Century Farmer Returns

The 2022 New Century Farmer Conference returns to Des Moines, Iowa, July 24-28. This conference is for 18-24-year-old FFA Alumni interested in a career in production agriculture. Participants will learn from industry experts, explore diverse agriculture business operations and network with a group of extraordinary young entrepreneurs. Food, lodging, on-site transportation and conference costs will be covered, and each attendee will receive a stipend after the conference to help with travel costs to and from Des Moines. The online application opened on Wednesday, Dec. 15; the deadline to apply is Tuesday, Feb. 15. Visit [FFA.org/participate/conference/new-century-farmer/](#) for more information.

## 2022 Scholarships

The National FFA Scholarship application opened on November 1. Please be sure to check out all the resources on the scholarship website to assist students in your state in completing the application. [FFA.org/Scholarships](#)

To qualify for Ford Built Tough scholarships, students must opt in and provide an electronic endorsement from their local Ford dealership. Please visit <https://www.ffa.org/participate/grants-and-scholarships/scholarships/> to learn more.

### Deadline

National FFA Scholarship Program Application due **Jan. 11, 2022, at 8 p.m. EST**. The online supplemental forms (Advisor Validation, Ford Dealer Endorsements and Grow Ag Leaders Farm Endorsements) must be submitted by **Jan. 18, 2022**.

Email questions to [scholarships@FFA.org](mailto:scholarships@FFA.org).

### Scholarship Facts to Consider

Scholarships that support two or four-year degrees	33%
Scholarships that only support certificate or specialized training	<1%
Scholarships that only support only four-year degrees	25%
Scholarships that support any major	26%
Scholarships that support non-ag specific majors	16%
Incoming collegiate freshman who received scholarships	78%
Collegiate sophomores who received scholarships	12%
Collegiate juniors who received scholarships	7%
Collegiate seniors who received scholarships	3%
Scholarships that do not require a minimum GPA	56%
Scholarships that require a minimum GPA of 3.5	44%
Scholarships that require a minimum GPA of 3.0	<1%
Scholarships that require a minimum GPA of 2.5	26%
Average GPA of scholarship recipients in 2021	17%