## Program/Chapter Data 2018-2019

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<td>Total Chapters</td>
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<td>Affiliated Membership Chapters</td>
<td>56</td>
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TN FFA Chapter Type

High School: 92.1%
Middle School: 5.1%
Middle/High School: 2.8%
TN FFA Chapter Location

- Rural: 58.0%
- Town: 21.2%
- Suburban: 12.7%
- City: 8.0%
## TN FFA by the Numbers

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<td>Total Teachers</td>
<td>321</td>
<td>13,204</td>
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Highest Degree Earned by TN Ag Ed Teachers

- Bachelor's: 53.3%
- Master's: 42.4%
- Doctorate: 1.9%
- Associates: 0.9%
TN Ag Ed Teachers Years Teaching Experience

- 1-5 years: 37.7%
- 6-10 years: 19.6%
- 11-15 years: 10.0%
- 16-25 years: 20.2%
- 25+ years: 8.1%
- Unreported: 4.4%
Tennessee FFA Membership

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<td>2016</td>
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TN FFA Member Race/Ethnicity

- White, Non-Hispanic: 86.6%
- Black, Non-Hispanic: 3.5%
- Non-Disclosed: 7.5%
- Other, 2 or more races: 1.2%
TN FFA Member Grade Level

- 5.4% Postsecondary
- 28.7% 10th Grade
- 24.2% 11th Grade
- 20.4% 12th Grade
- 0.7% 8th Grade
TN FFA by the Numbers

- State FFA Convention Attendance: 3,495
- Camp Clements Attendance: 1,604
- National FFA Scholarship Recipients from TN: 22 members received scholarships totaling $30,500
- American FFA Degrees Submitted: 186
• Tennessee submitted candidates for American Star Farmer and American Star in Agriscience
• National Chapter Award – 30 applicants this year – 19 move on for national judging
• 46 of 47 proficiency award areas have applicants from Tennessee
• Agriscience Fair: 24 projects submitted to National FFA
• TN FFA has declared participants for all 26 National FFA CDEs/LDEs
• Julia Knaggs is our National FFA Officer Candidate
• Stuart Watson is serving as a National FFA Delegate Coordinator
• Brittany Davis and Jason Dossett are serving as National FFA Teach Ag Ambassadors
• Stena Meadows is serving on the National FFA Agriscience Fair Committee
New Procedures

- State dues increase of $2.00 per student goes into effect this fall
  - National Dues - $7.00
  - State Dues - $7.00
  - Total = $14.00/student/year
- This affects affiliation scale (see tnffa.org for updated affiliation scale)
- New Middle School Flat Rate Fee ($400)
- Judging card scantrons will still be provided at all state FFA CDEs to chapters that have paid state/national FFA dues
New Procedures

• State Officer Scheduling / Chapter Visits:
  • All requests will funnel through the state office using a Google Form

• Proficiency Awards, Agriscience Fair, and National Chapter Awards are moving to online submission in 2020
  • No longer send hard copies in to the state office
  • Complete applications on ffa.org
  • Submit student names on Google Form
New Procedures

- Meats Evaluation will be moving back to a 4 person team at the state and national level with no drop score in 2020
- Proficiency Awards
  - Food Science has merged with other areas due to lack of participation & sponsorship
  - Grain Production Entrepreneurship & Placement areas will be combined due to lack of participation & sponsorship
• Tennessee State FFA CDE/LDE test banks for 2019-2020 school year will come from National FFA exams on ffa.org between 2014-2018
  • Test banks will be on tnffa.org
• State Staff will make all CDE/LDE tests
• The year that the question came from will be listed in parenthesis after each test question: Example (2018)
In order to be in good standing, please fill out and submit your chapter’s Annual FFA/Agricultural Education Report on your chapter’s profile on www.ffa.org.

Once you log on, click on the blue link to complete and submit your chapter’s report.

Deadline was June 30 but the link will remain open until July 20.
• In order to be in good standing, please fill out and submit your chapter’s SAE report to Steve Gass by **July 30**.

• Access on tnffa.org
Stay in Touch

- Text @easttnf to 81010 to join East TN Remind
- Text @3443ea to 81010 to join Middle TN Remind
- Text @westtnffa to 81010 to join West TN Remind
- Text @ffatn to 81010 to join TN FFA Remind
- Email Emily.Grant@tn.gov to be added to email listserves
• Registration for State CDE/LDE events is due 2 weeks before contest using Google Forms.
• Tennessee State Fair Competition Registration is due August 31, register on tnstatefair.org/competitions.
• State Horse Evaluation CDE has moved to September 17 (1 week later than normal).
• All State Convention registration materials are due on February 24
• State Nursery/Landscaping CDE and Floriculture CDE is moving back to TTU and will be held in conjunction with the State Poultry CDE on April 25.
• National Chapter Judging is moving to **June 5, 2020** in conjunction with the State Forestry CDE.
• Camp weeks will run continuously from **May 25 – July 10, 2020**.
2019 National FFA Updates
Data Driven Decision Making

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<td>FFA Members</td>
<td>42.6%</td>
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<td>School Population</td>
<td>49%</td>
<td>51%</td>
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<td>Ag Teachers</td>
<td>48.9%</td>
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- Your chapter profile on ffa.org is now full of great data!
- Comparison of your chapter’s enrollment vs your school’s student enrollment
  - Race
  - Gender
  - Grade level engagement

- Help celebrate how far we’ve come in 50 years in gender diversity in FFA
- Videos, story, history, and resources at: [www.ffa.org/50yearsofwomeninffa](http://www.ffa.org/50yearsofwomeninffa)
- Does your chapter makeup reflect your school and community makeup?
Box.com

How to use Box.com?

• Two choices
  1. Click link and view document on screen
  2. Download document to use, print, and/or save in your own files

• “It’s always asking me to login and my login doesn’t work”
  • Logging in is completely optional
  • A Box.com login is not tied to your ffa.org login
  • Logging in does allow you to use the search function – but that’s the only real benefit
  • Your file/document did download even if the login screen popped up
    • Check your downloads folder

• “It still doesn’t work”
  • There are a few school districts nationwide that block Box.com.
  • Contact LPS Specialist or Program Staff to get documents directly
Ensuring FFA Serves 21st Century Students

• Update teaching information with the revised charter – P.L. 116-7
  - Key updates to strengthen intra-curricular nature of ag ed and FFA
  - [www.ffa.org/constitution-bylaws/](http://www.ffa.org/constitution-bylaws/)

• Proposal to update the National FFA Constitution and Bylaws to reflect charter changes goes to the delegates this fall
  ▪ Changes to BOD personnel makeup
  ▪ Options for naming national advisor
  ▪ Changing who nominates some BOD members
  ▪ More flexibility on who can serve on the BOD
Important Information – Convention

National Convention

• Registration opens
  • September 10 at 6pm EDT
  • October 8, registration rate increases to the “on-site” rate
  • Pay close attention to the accuracy of your registration
• All sessions in Lucas Oil Stadium
• Registration hall in Indy is moving
• Two concerts (Wed & Thur) held in Bankers Fieldhouse
• All concert and rodeo tickets sold this year via Ticketmaster
• No hotel shuttles
• Parking sold separately from registration – directly from the lot of your choice – special FFA rates
• Must wear registration badge for access to all venues, events, and activities
• Convention will be held in Indianapolis 2025-2031
Award Programs and Events

• If you have a CDE/LDE team, you should expect emails from National FFA
  • If you’re not receiving emails, there is a problem and you should reach out to cde@ffa.org
• Reasonable ADA accommodation and/or translation requests due 30 days prior to the event.
• Agriscience finalists allowed only display boards at national level – no log books, additional reports, etc.
• CDE/LDE names must be certified by ag teacher and state staff by September 1
• Agriscience boards/posters can be printed at the JW Marriott rather than paying for air freight
Awards and Recognition Revisions

- Moving in a direction where events and programs aren’t strictly revised on firm timelines
  - Adjustments will take place on an as-needed basis to provide consistency and relevance in programs, awards and competitive events
- Agriscience Fair, National Chapter, and proficiency awards moving to electronic application submission in 2020
- Ag teacher voice in revisions
  - Contact Rebecca Carter at rcarter@ffa.org
Student Awards and Recognition

Proficiency Awards

• Next year, proficiencies will move to digital signature page
  • Just like American Degree application

• Employer or Instructor Statement will move to scanned and uploaded model (no hard copies mailed in)

• National proficiency summer judging moving to online process in 2020 (all states will be invited to judge)

• Look for announcements regarding future changes to proficiency areas and descriptions in the fall of 2019
  • Subscribe to NFFA CEO Weekly Update emails to get latest information www.ffa.org/subscribe
  • State staff sent email with all updates on June 18, 2019
SAE For All

- SAE revised and relaunched by The Council
- Major focus on aligning career interest in student’s SAE
- Regional training conferences
  - Nashville, TN – July 22-23, 2019
  - Wallingford, CT – August 12-13, 2019
  - University Park, PA – August 12-13, 2019
  - Conferences held earlier this year in Phoenix, AZ; Boise, ID; Indianapolis, IN; Ankeny, IA; Natchitoches, TX
- Learn more at: thecouncil.ffa.org/sae
- Dozens of SAE videos at: www.ffa.org/ffa-video-center/sae-video-library/
- Videos that explain all the new SAE types too
SAE For All

- Establishing minimum guidelines for SAE nationally
- Standardizing SAE language and terminology
- Focusing SAE on careers
- Setting a foundation for SAE before launching a SAE
- Attention to ag and workplace safety
- Every student should have an SAE but not every SAE will qualify for advanced degrees
- Eliminating barriers to SAE
  - An SAE is not a direct connection to a FFA proficiency award
  - States and local chapters can define SAEs in their states
  - Develop a student’s SAE based on their interests; not the resources they have at home
  - SAEs can take place during school hours
Supporting Your Chapter

Alumni and Supporters

- Several grants available for Alumni and Supporter chapters from $500 to $5,000. Deadline September 4
- Attend an Alumni Regional Development Conference
  - Randolph, MN (**July 26-27**)  
  - Laramie, WY (**Aug. 9-10**)  
  - Bordentown, NJ (**Aug. 23-24**)  
  - Enterprise, AL (**Sept. 6-7**)  
  - Pendleton, OR (**Sept. 20-21**)  
  - Martin, TN (**Sept. 27-28**)  
  - Lexington, KY (**Nov. 15-16**)
Money for your Chapter

Living to Serve Grants

- Grant money for your chapter’s service projects
- Easy, $400 mini-grants up through year-long $3,000 grants
- New map of previous grant recipients
  - Look for ideas and see what projects have been funded
Supporting Your Chapter

Dealer Programs/Local Engagement

www.ffa.org/engagelocal

• National companies WANT to give money to your chapter
  • These companies want to hear from your students and be engaged from time-to-time
  • Zoetis and Tractor Supply are our largest programs – requires chapters to make an outreach to get veterinarians and stores engaged/enrolled

• Current programs include:
  • Culvers Blue Jacket sponsorship
  • Syngenta $750 and $350 grants

• Ongoing programs:
  • Keystone Steel/Red Brand Wire
  • Culvers Scoops of Thanks
  • Zoetis
  • Tractor Supply
  • Southern States CoOp
  • Dish TV
  • Bloom Chapter Challenge
Engaging Your Students

FFA #NextGen Conference

• New student conference coming in 2020
• Pilot in Animal Systems pathway
• Conference is specific to technical, hands-on ag
• Open to Juniors and Seniors
• **February 18-23, 2020**
• Kansas City, MO
• Applications open **August 15**
• Free conference including lodging
  • Students responsible for their own travel
Educational Resources

- Continually updating FFA’s video, content, and lesson plan resources
- New SAE short videos uploaded every few months
- New video library that categorizes videos and is searchable
- New educator resource section added to AgExplorer
  - Easy to use virtual field trip guides, AgExplorer worksheets, lesson plans, etc.
- Teacher guide for New Horizons posted with each issue
  - Readymade sub plans!

Engaging Your Students
Thank you

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