
Member and Chapter Awards and Programs

Agriscience Student Recognition Program

This program's objective is to recognize students in agriscience who are pursuing an academically challenging course of high school study that focuses on the application of scientific principles and emerging technologies in an agricultural enterprise. Applications are due in the state office March 1. The state winner will be presented a scholarship from the National FFA Foundation to a college of choice and will be eligible to compete for national awards. As long as the student has been certified as the state winner, the student is eligible to compete more than once at the state and national levels.

National Band, Chorus, and Talent Applications

Applications and audition tapes in each area must be submitted to the state office by June 15. Selected members will be notified by the National FFA Organization. Selected members are responsible for their own transportation, uniform, and lodging expenses. Students may participate in the national band and/or chorus for a maximum of two years. Currently, the Oklahoma FFA Alumni Association is providing a \$100 cash award to each selected member.

State Chorus and Talent Applications

Applications and audition tapes for state chorus are due in the state office February 1; state talent applications and audition tapes are due March 1. Selected members are responsible for their own meal and lodging expenses. Students may participate in both chorus and talent but must submit separate applications and tapes for each.

State Superior Chapter Application

This application, found in the Blue Book, is required at the end of the school year from all FFA chapters in Oklahoma. Must be in the state FFA office postmarked June 1 to receive recognition as a State Superior Chapter.

Membership Eligibility

Any student in Grades 8-12 must be regularly enrolled in a year-long course of study in Agricultural Education at school in order to be eligible to participate in any FFA activity. For the purpose of this section, at school is defined as physically present and supervised in a classroom by a certified agricultural education instructor. Exceptions are granted to students who attend a school with block scheduling and who, therefore, may have completed a year-long course of study in Agricultural Education in one semester. Students in the seventh grade are not eligible for FFA membership in Oklahoma. Annual local, state, and national FFA dues must also be paid in order to be eligible to participate in any FFA activity.

Food For America Grants and Award Programs

The Oklahoma Beef Council provides up to 25 \$200 grants to FFA chapters who promote beef as a nutritious, healthy food product as a part of their Food for America program. The Oklahoma Pork Council provides up to 10 \$200 grants to FFA chapters who promote pork as a nutritious, healthy food product as a part of their Food for America program. Grant applications are due in the state office September 1. Chapters are eligible to receive a grant and state awards from both the Beef Council and Pork Council in the same year. Cash awards to the top three programs in each area are presented at the State FFA Convention. Chapters do not have to receive a grant to be eligible for state awards. State winning chapters (1st place) in both programs are eligible to apply for grants in the following year but will not be eligible for state awards.