

STATE CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

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Win a Free iPod!



That's right! A free iPod Nanos will be given away at each of the workshops listed below. All you have to do is attend and be sitting in the winning seat! What more could you want? Don't miss out!

Tuesday, April 27

11:15 a.m., Room 5 (first floor)

My SAE Doesn't Fit

Nina Crutchfield

This workshop is designed for students and teachers. Nina Crutchfield is a Local Program Success Specialist with the National FFA Organization. She will examine how Supervised Agricultural Experience is defined and will look for innovative approaches to the SAE. She will explore ways to engage all students in an SAE by incorporating their interests and integrating technology for execution, supervision and grading.



State Convention Workshops, Tuesday cont.

11:15 a.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor)

SERVE Out Loud!

Whitney Danker

Whitney served as the 2005-06 state FFA president and currently works for the National FFA Organization in Indianapolis, Ind. Whitney asks the questions, "What if we did more than community service? What if we gave back through service learning?" This workshop will explore new ideas and fresh approaches for your chapter to become more civically engaged and committed—while SERVING Out Loud in your community.

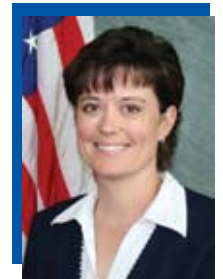


1:15 p.m., Room 5 (first floor)

Why Can't We Do That?

Nina Crutchfield

This workshop is for students and teachers. In 2009, Oklahoma had 33 National Three-Star Chapters, the most of any state. However, there are more than 350 FFA chapters in Oklahoma. Why can't we be one of those national award winning chapters?—you ask. This workshop will explore what it means to be a Three-Star Chapter, will help brainstorm innovative ideas, and will review the dos and don'ts for completing the application.



2:30 p.m., Room 5 (first floor)

Serving as a State Officer

Riley Pagett

Riley served with distinction as a 2008-09 state FFA officer and was Oklahoma's 2009 national officer candidate. Do you possess the Great Big "D" and the little bitty "a" it takes to be one of those eight special people elected by your peers to serve for a whole year? Do you have a heart for service, or would you really rather be just a regular college Joe? Riley will take you on the *inside* to help you sort it all out as you ponder this important life-changing decision.



2:45 p.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor)

Nice Bike!

Mark Scharenbroich

Mark is part motivational speaker, part thought-provoker, and a pure entertainer. His motivational style, unconventional approach, knockout humor, and personal stories with universal appeal all focus on the relationship side of creating results, connecting people to people, and student to student. He will make you laugh. He will make you think. He's as good as it gets!



4:00 p.m., Room 5 (first floor)

Job Interview CDE

Chacey Schoepel

Chacey is a junior member of the Fairview FFA chapter. She was the 2009 state and *national winner* of the Job Interview career development event. No Oklahoman had ever done that. Better yet, she can't compete in this awesome individual event ever again. So, Chacey is happy to share with you what this CDE is all about, how she trained, and her secrets to success. Could you be Oklahoma's next Job Interview CDE winner?



4:15 p.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor)

Public Speaking for Beginners

Rhett Laubach

Most FFA members will tell you that competitive public speaking was the *scariest* thing they ever tried—but once you give into it, you're hooked! And, it's so rewarding and beneficial to your FFA, college, and career experiences. Rhett is an expert at helping you get over that scary stuff. After this workshop, you'll feel confident and challenged to give it a try. Come on, don't be scared!



Wednesday, April 28

9:30 a.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor)

Which Fork Do I Use?

Jana Christian

Jana Christian is back by popular demand. Her workshop at last year's state convention was standing room only. So, we've invited her back and found her a bigger room! Jana is president of the Etiquette School of Oklahoma. This year she's going to tackle *dining etiquette*. This topic will include casual and formal styles of dining, table decorum, the interview lunch, how to handle difficult foods, and much more. Come on FFA members, it's time to polish up and shine!



9:30 a.m., Room 2 (first floor)

Farming Is Risky Business

Custom Ag Solutions

Are you a risk taker? An understanding of risk and risk management is critical to anyone considering a career in production agriculture. In this workshop, sponsored by USDA's Risk Management Agency, you will learn about risk concepts and then apply those concepts in a competitive farm simulation game. Special prizes will be awarded to the top scorers. So, the challenge is on. Come show us what you can do!

11:00 a.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor)

Lead Out Loud!

Alexandria Henry

Alex is the current National FFA Eastern Region Vice President from the state of Michigan. Her favorite thing about FFA is meeting fellow students who share her passion for agriculture, leadership and service. If those are the things you, too, are passionate about, then you won't want to miss this opportunity to interact with one of our organization's finest. You'll leave this workshop ready to LEAD Out Loud!



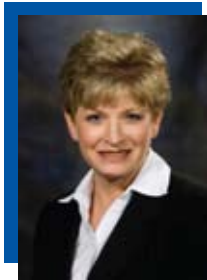
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2:00 p.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor) *Ag Careers Road Map* *Dr. Cheryl DeVuyst*

If you are considering a major in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Oklahoma State University, then Dr. DeVuyst, Assistant Dean, is someone you need to get to know. It is absolutely a great time to pursue a career in agriculture! All of the stars are aligning our way—population explosion, world hunger, climate change, alternative energy sources, fresh water issues, the green revolution, etc. It's never too early to explore the possibilities!



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2:00 p.m., Room 2 (first floor) *Rural Youth Loans for SAE Projects* *Farm Service Agency*

Did you know the United States Department of Agriculture would like to help you develop or grow your SAE project? The USDA Farm Service Agency will provide FFA members with financing up to \$5,000 for any kind of income-producing project including, but not limited to, livestock and crop production, lawn and garden services, repair shops, and roadside stands. Find out how you can take advantage of these youth loans and gain valuable business experience in the process.

3:30 p.m., Great Hall D & E (second floor) *iConnect* *Allison Grainger and Kaleb McLaurin*



Allison and Kaleb are the current Texas FFA Association state president and first vice president. They take a year's leave of absence from college to travel the state of Texas, helping FFA members discover how to build connections with others by choosing a network and picking a plan that maximizes their leadership potential. Come and let this exciting duo share this formula of success with you.