

North Region Agricultural Education

- Spring Teachers Webinar
- April 10, 2017



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State Program Updates

- FY18 Budget Update
 - \$180,000 for Salary Increases
 - \$150,000 for Young Farmer Programs
 - Newton County
 - Fannin County
- Need to continually involve and speak with legislators to promote additional funding for growth of our program
 - Usually 10-12 new positions per year
 - We are highly accountable for our funds
 - A growing program is a good thing and should be supported by our legislature

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State Program Updates

- Ag Local Plan Process

Program Reviews – Complete



Ag Budget Request made by CTAE Director – Already Complete



Improvement Plan to CTAE Director for standards not met



Submit FY18 POW by May 1st



Ag Local Plan submitted by CTAE Director before May 15th
as part of Consolidated Application

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North Region Program Updates

- Area Awards Banquets
 - \$15 per Student / Advisor
 - Area I – Chattahoochee Technical College – Appalachian Campus, Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Area II – Commerce Civic Center, Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Registration now open
- Area Officers
 - Applications due May 1st
 - Applications will be judged and narrowed to 12 Senior and 5 Junior candidates
 - Finalist Candidates will be notified on May 3rd
 - Final Candidates will Test at 5:00 pm before the Area Banquets
 - Two delegates per chapter will vote on the candidates

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North Region Program Updates

- State FFA Convention

- PLEASE be mindful of:

- Official Dress
 - Student behavior during sessions...Showing respect to speakers
 - Students leaving sessions early to “beat the crowd”
 - Delegates being seated and voting during State Officer Election Process
 - POW Standard #31 requires participation of at least **2 Delegates** in the “*entire* State FFA Convention”
 - Added Friday Night Session

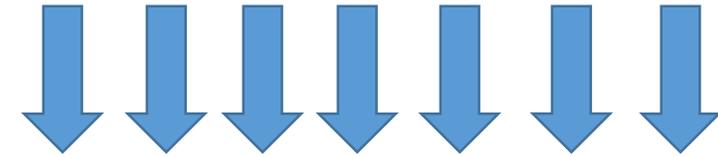
- Teaching students “How To Act” is as important as anything else we could ever teach them.

- Have High Expectations and Set a Good Example

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North Region Program Updates

Only Approved
Activities



- Working Extended Year Days

Teacher's Name	School	Certificate Level	Total Years Teaching Ag-Ed as of June 31, 2017	Requesting Extended Day - Enter Yes or No	Requesting Extended Year - Enter Yes or No	Number of Days FFA Summer Leadership Camp	Number of Days Summer Teacher's Conference	Number of Days Professional Development	Number of Days SAE Supervision	Food Processing (Cannery) Operations	Number of Days FFA Leadership Training	Number of Days Career Development Events	Total Number of Days Extended Year Requested (20, 30, or 40 days)
Brandon Ray	Central High	T-5	3	Yes	Yes	5	3	5	8	5	4	10	40
Josh Allen	Central High	T-5	3	Yes	Yes	5	3	5	8	5	4	10	40
Kent Benson	Bowdon High	T-5	24	Yes	Yes	5	3	5	8	5	4	10	40
Sidney Bell	Mount Zion High	T-5	14	Yes	Yes	5	3	5	8	5	4	10	40
Stan Mitchell	CCA-North	T-5	6	Yes	Yes	5	3	5	8	5	4	10	40

- Should ***involve students*** in CDE training, Leadership Development, SAE Supervision, and Camp.
- Canning Facilities
- Teacher Professional Development
- Should be full 8 hour days
- Should not be Teacher Lesson Planning, Organizing, or Clerical work

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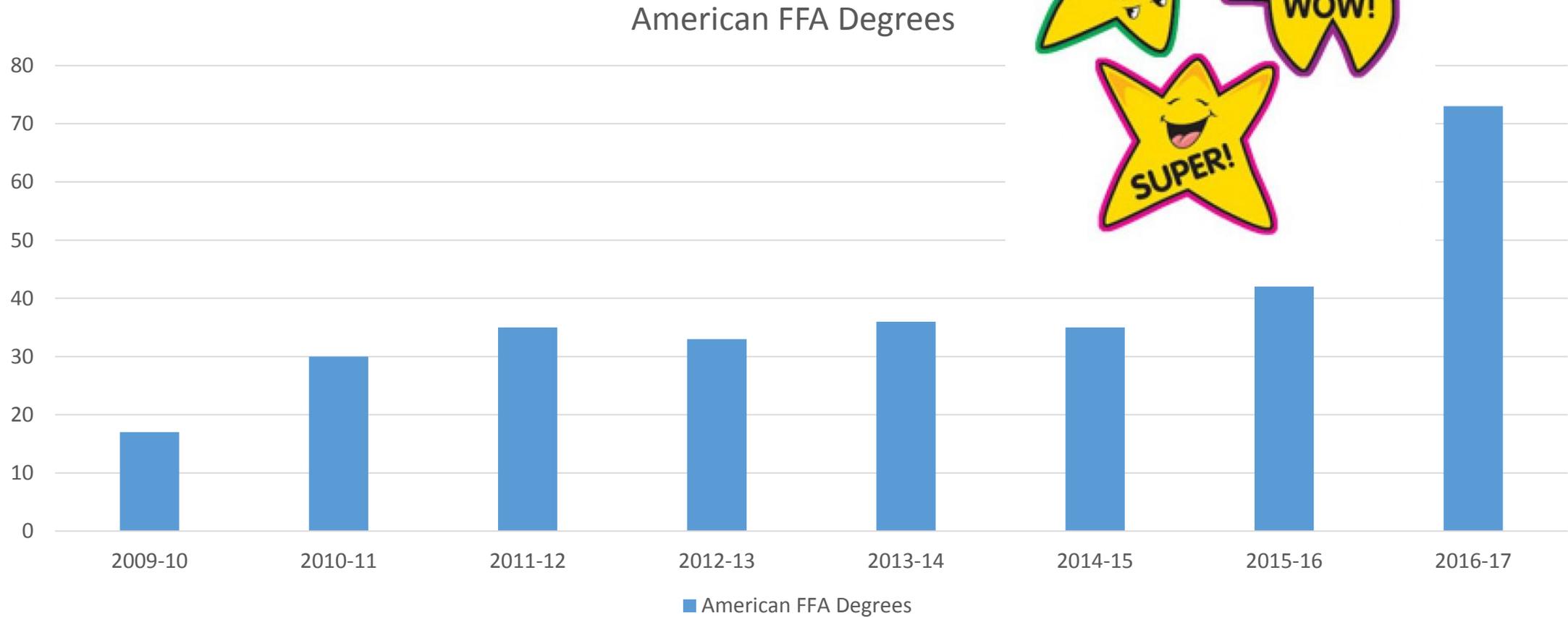
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- **Pop Can Tab Collection for Community Service**
 - Tabs will be collected and weighed at Rally Check-In
 - Winning Chapter recognized with Community Service Trophy



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FFA Update – Spring 2017

- **Membership dues/fees**
 - Please check your state balances; if you owe money, please submit payment ASAP
- **89th Georgia FFA Convention**
 - April 27-29 in Macon
 - New safety measures at the Centreplex; all attendees will be wanded and bags will be checked upon entrance of the facility (no pocket knives!)
 - All attendees must wear convention buttons/badges at all times
 - CDE Finals Hall (final 4 of each convention CDE will take place in the Finals Hall on Friday 4/28); Finals Hall will have open seating for viewers.
- **Official FFA Dress**
 - Important for Career Show, on-stage presentations and all parts of convention
- **Sessions end with closing ceremony**
 - Please avoid leaving sessions early
- **Special guests**
 - Lt. Governor Casey Cagle, Ag Commissioner Gary Black, State School Superintendent Richard Woods, CTAE Director Dr. Barbara Wall & dozens of sponsors

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Alumni Program Updates

- Alumni Leadership Conference in conjunction with State FFA Convention
- Roster, Ag-Vocacy, and Round Table Breakouts
- Food Drive
- Basket Competition
- Silent Auction
- Business Meeting
- Council Elections
- \$20 Per Person Registration
- Register at <https://register.ffa.org/profile/form/index.cfm?PKformID=0x61295abcd>



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Alumni Program Updates

- Alumni Teacher Appreciation Golf Tournament
 - June 16th, 2017 at Lane Creek Golf Course in Watkinsville
 - \$100 entry Per Person – One Teacher per team with Alumni plays free
 - Hole in One wins a John Deere Gator or Zero Turn Mower
 - Registration Information coming soon



North Region Update

Livestock



CTAERN Opportunities

- **The Basics of Animal Nutrition and Fitting**
- June 13-14 at Franklin County Ag Facility
- Class is Full but Contact Kent if you are interested

- **Avian Academy**
- June 28-30 at UGA
- Class is Full – Contact Kent to get on a waiting list

Georgia Junior National Livestock Show Changes for 2017-2018

Champions will not be harvested. (No change)

A committee has been formed to explore the possibilities and scheduling for a Champion Drive for all species for 2019. As it stands, there will be a Banquet for 2018.

The State Veterinarian's Office is expecting to release updated health regulations. Official ID will probably be required for all show animals.

- Sheep and Goats already require "Scrapie Tags". (No change expected)
- Hog already have to have official ID for testing. (No change expected)
- Cattle may be required to have official ID this year. (Pending)

Reminder from the Georgia National:

No equipment, feed or animals are to be unloaded in or around the barns until the barns open
Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 7:00 a.m.

GOATS:

Doe check-in time change:

- 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Friday, February 23, 2018.

MARKET HOGS:

Weight Limit Change for Showmanship:

Weight limits for market show are 220-280 pounds. Weight limits for Swine Showmanship will be 200-300lbs *as long as the participant does not have another gilt/barrow within the 220-280 weight limit.* If the participant has another gilt/barrow within current weight limits for the market show, the participant will be required to show that gilt/barrow in showmanship.

DAIRY:

Schedule Change:

Commercial Dairy Heifer Check-in:	Wednesday, February 21 at 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Commercial Dairy Heifer Showmanship:	Thursday, February 22 at 8:00 a.m.
Commercial Dairy Heifer Show	Friday, February 23 at 9:00 a.m.

Recordbook due date and time:

Recordbooks will be due no later than 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 22, 2018. This is the same time Market Hog, Market Steer and Beef Heifer Recordbooks are due.

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Ag Mechanics



Food Processing Facilities

- There is No longer a package of inventory from Dixie Canner available from the south region office! (inventory issues at dixie canner)
- Dixie Canner no longer manufacture's the model 23 and 24 sealers. They have an ever dwindling supply of parts for them. They intend to repair and support these machines as long as Their supply of parts last.
- they still have parts and are able to do a lot of repairs. they will sell schools anything they need that they have in stock.

Food Processing Facilities cont.

- at some point your school system will have to purchase a current model if your sealer (23's or 24's) should ever become unrepairable due to lack of parts.
- Start securing funding for these MACHINES FOR THE future!
- For parts or current sealer models contact:
- Chris Stapleton, dixie canner company, (706) 549-1914 or online at: www.dixiecanner.com

CTAERN Opportunities

- **Ag Mech for New and Beginning Teachers**
 - Workshop Dates: July 20th & 21st, 2017 @ ABAC
 - Will be posted on the ctaern network in may or early june for plu credit.
 - 25 seats available
- **Teaching Small Engines in Agriculture**
 - June 12-14th
 - Class is Full – Contact Sidney to get on Waiting List
- **Contact Sidney if you would be interested in forming a CTAERN Class on Differential Leveling**
 - Class would be on June 15th if interest is there

Forestry Update – Spring Area Meeting 2017



Forestry CTAERN Opportunities

- Wildlife Management CDE
 - June 8-9 in Athens
 - Class is Full – Contact Brandon to get on a waiting list
- Prescribed Burn Certification
 - June 6-7 in Newton, Ga
 - Class is Full – Contact Shawn Collins to get on a waiting list
- Coastal Ecosystems
 - June 12-14 in Richmond Hills, Ga
 - 2 Spots left
- Hunter Education Training
 - July 27 in Fort Valley
 - 5 Spots left
- Wing Shooting Clinic for Hunter Ed Instructors
 - August 5 in Fort Valley
 - 17 Spots open

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Horticulture



Consider a
Career in
Horticulture

Plant Orders

- Make your Spring plant payments ASAP.
- Fall Order
- Order forms coming SOON
- THIS INCLUDES FERNS
- Please order something for your program even if you are moving to a different school. The new teacher will have a hard time getting plugs in time.

you may not order fall plugs unless you have not paid for your spring plugs

GGIA Junior Certification - 2017

- GGIA Junior Certification will take place on Saturday of the State FFA Convention.
- Please register soon. We must have at least 25 students registered in order to make this event possible.



Summer PLU Classes - 2017

- Greenhouse Labs For Horticulture Classes – 4/14 – FULL
- Nursery Landscape CDE Training – 6/2 – FULL
- Advanced School Garden Teacher Training – 6/5 – FULL
- Basic School Garden Teacher Training – 6/19 – FULL
- GGIA Teacher Certification – 6/21 – 6/23 – 15 Spots left

State Floral Design Clinic (PLU Class)

- August 12th & 13th at FFA Camp in Covington
- Registration will open in May
- Registration
 - **DUE by June 28th**

*****In the past two years 4 out of 4 State Floral Design CDE winners attended the State Floral Design Clinic*****



Thank You for all You do

See You all at Convention