



As you elect new officer teams and begin a transition into a new school year, please consider coming to one of the Georgia FFA's Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) conferences. COLT conference is a premier opportunity to equip your student leaders with the skills and resources needed to serve your chapter. In 2023 the Georgia FFA will again offer two COLT conferences. Both conferences will prepare your students to work more closely as a team, stretch their comfort zone, plan for chapter events, and engage with other chapter officers from across the state.

Online registration for COLT conferences will open on Friday, May 19. Below are details of the cost, dates and locations of each COLT conference for 2023. Registration for both conferences will be handled through the online event registration process in your Georgia Agricultural Education account. If you have questions, feel free to call the Georgia FFA Office at (706) 552-4456 or email Ben Lastly at blastly@gaaged.org.

July COLT Conference

- Date:** July 5-7, 2023
- Location:** Camp John Hope
281 Hope Entrance Road
Fort Valley, GA 31030
- Base Cost:** \$125.00 per person
Includes: 2 nights lodging, 6 meals, t-shirt, & conference materials
- Details:** The conference will begin at 11 AM on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. Sessions will be facilitated by a professional presenter, Georgia FFA's national officer candidate and the 2023-2024 state FFA officer team. The conference will include leadership content, recreational activities, an award banquet and much more. The conference will conclude on Friday, July 7, by 11 AM. Lunch on Friday is not included in the conference registration rate.

July COLT Conference Add Ons

- Friday lunch:** Chapters who want to have lunch at Camp John Hope following the conference conclusion on Friday can book lunches for an additional cost of \$10 per person.
- Early Arrival:** Chapter who want to arrive early can come in on Tuesday, July 4, after 6 PM to get a head start on planning for their year. Early registration includes lodging for Tuesday night and breakfast on Wednesday morning. The cost for early registration is an additional \$35 per person.

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August COLT Conference

- Date:** August 11-12, 2023
- Location:** Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center
720 FFA Road
Covington, GA 30014
- Base Cost:** \$65.00 per person
Includes: 1 night lodging, 2 meals, t-shirt, & conference materials
- Details:** The conference will begin at 5 PM on Friday, August 11, 2023. Sessions will be facilitated by a professional presenter, Georgia FFA's national officer candidate and the 2023-2023 state FFA officer team. The conference will include leadership content, recreational activities, and a dance. Because this conference is shorter than the July version, there will be limited free time for chapters officer teams work on planning. The conference will conclude on Saturday, August 12, by 11:30 AM. Lunch on Saturday is not included in the conference registration rate.

August COLT Conference Add Ons

- Early Arrival:** Chapters who are interested in extra time on the front end of the conference can sign up for Early Arrival for an additional \$45 per person. Early arriving chapters will have supper at 6:30 PM on Thursday. Following supper there will be a chapter networking activity designed to have chapters share ideas and best practices. Lodging will be provided for Thursday evening, as well as breakfast and lunch on Friday. Chapters will have free time on Friday until the conference begins at 5 PM. That time can be used for team planning.
- Hang Around:** For chapters who would like to add extra time on the back end of the conference, this option provides for lunch and supper on Saturday, lodging on Saturday night and breakfast on Sunday morning. There will be no formal content provided on Saturday after lunch. That is time that chapters can use for team planning. The cost for Hang Around registration is an additional \$45 per person.

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