Welcome to the 91st South Dakota State FFA Convention! Join us, the 2018-2019 State FFA Officer Team, as we celebrate the accomplishments of South Dakota's over 4,400 FFA members and 91 FFA chapters. Throughout this busy and exciting year, we have seen South Dakota's FFA members excel. These three days will be filled with achievement, inspiration and a passion for agriculture.

THE FFA MISSION
FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agriculture education.

THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION MISSION
Agriculture education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resource systems.
Sunday, April 7, 2019
3:00pm - 5:30pm  Registration for Teams, Participants, & FFA Delegates  
HPER Center, East Hall
4:00pm  Natural Resources  
Volstorff Ballroom, West Side
4:00pm  Poultry  
SDSU Meats Lab
5:00pm  Range Plant ID  
Ag Engineering 203
Veterinary Science  
Intramural Building
Ag Mechanics Team Problems  
Ag Engineering Building Rooms 100, 108, 122, 203
Food Science and Technology (Individual Events)  
Intramural Building

Monday, April 8, 2019
8:00am - 4:30pm  Food Science Presentations  
Berg 107
8:00am  Nursery/Landscape  
Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium  
(use Premier Bank Entrance on west side of stadium)
Milk Quality & Products (Team Problems & CA Mastitis)  
Volstorff Ballroom, West Side
Dairy Cattle Judging (Entire Event, Test First)  
Dairy Science Unit
Livestock Judging  
Animal Science Arena
Agronomy Judging (Entire Event, Test First)  
Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium  
(use Premier Bank Entrance on west side of stadium)
Agricultural Mechanics Hands-On Activity  
Ag Engineering Building Shop
Agricultural Business Management (Session 1)  
Lutheran Student Center, 1404 8th St.
Meats Evaluation & Technology (Session 1)  
Animal Science Complex, Meat Lab
9:15am - 10:45am  Milk Quality (Session 1 Hands-On Activity)  
Dairy Science 116, 122
10:00am  Floriculture  
Volstorff Ballroom
11:00am  Meats Evaluation & Technology (Test)  
Club 71, Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium
10:45am - 12:15pm  Milk Quality (Session 2 Hands-On Activity)  
Dairy Science 116, 122
12:00pm  Horse Judging  
Volstorff Ballroom
12:15pm - 1:45pm  Milk Quality (Session 3 Hands-On Activity)  
Dairy Science 116, 122
1:00pm  Meats Evaluation & Technology (Session 2)  
Animal Science Complex, Meat Lab
Agricultural Business Management (Session 2)  
Lutheran Student Center, 1404 8th St.
Friday, April 5, 2019
8:00pm - 12:00am  State FFA Officer Candidate Interviews... Ag Engineering 100

Saturday, April 6, 2019
9:30am - 10:15pm  State FFA Officer Candidate Interviews... Ag Engineering 100

Sunday, April 7, 2019
10:00am - 6:00pm  State FFA Officer Candidate Interviews... Ag Engineering 100
1:00 - 5:00pm  SD FFA Alumni Annual Meeting Biostress 103
2:00pm  Star Farmer Interviews USU 250 Dakota
Star Ag Business Interviews USU 253 Pheasant
Star Placement Interviews USU 255 Pasque
Star Agriscience Interviews USU 265 Pioneer
(Holding in USU 268 Heritage)
3:00 - 5:30pm  CDE Registration HYPER, Frost Arena East Hallway
4:00pm  SD FFA Foundation board meeting HPER 104
4:00 - 6:30pm  State Convention Choir PAC Choir Room
5:00pm  Auditing, Program of Activities, Resolutions, Committee Meetings HPER, Frost Arena
5:30pm  Past State Officer Reception HPER 104
5:30 - 6:45pm  District Officer Gathering Frost Arena, SW Corner
6:15pm  Sponsor & VIP Reception HPER, Upper Level

6:30pm  PRE-SESSION
7:00pm  FIRST SESSION HPER, Frost Arena
Reflections 2018-2019 State Officers
Opening Ceremonies
National Anthem
PSO Welcome Dalton Larson 2017-2018 State President
Greetings
South Dakota Foundation Presentation
Retiring Address Grady Gullickson
Just Dance
Past State Officer Recognition
South Dakota FFA Family of the Year
American Degree Recognition
Retiring Address Marie Robbins
Choose to Thrive
Proficiency Awards – Part 1
Keynote Speaker Roian Atwood
New Chapter Charter Recognition
Proficiency Awards – Part 2
Closing Ceremonies
**Monday, April 8, 2019**

9:00am  
SD Farmers Union Farm Safety Quiz Bowl  
USU 260 State

9:00 - 3:00pm  
Ag Career Carnival  
USU Upper Level Gallery & Prairie Lounges

9:00 - 4:00pm  
Workshops  
(Schedule on pages 14 - 15)

9:00 - 3:00pm  
Living to Serve Project  
HPER Center, 2nd Floor Lobby

11:30am  
Instructor’s Luncheon  
USU 0169 Campanile & Hobo Gallery  
(invitation only) Sponsored by SDSU College of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences

9:00 - 4:00pm  
Ag Career Carnival

9:00 - 3:00pm  
Workshops

11:30am  
Instructor’s Luncheon

2:00pm  
BUSINESS SESSION  
HPER, Frost Arena

Opening Ceremonies  
Colton Riley, Presiding

Roll Call of Delegates

Previous Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports

National Convention Report

New Business

Closing Ceremonies

5:00 - 6:30pm  
Final State Convention Choir Practice  
& Dress Rehearsal  
Frost Arena

5:00pm  
State FFA Degree Reception  
USU Volstorff Ballroom

5:45pm  
State FFA Degree Reception Presentation  
by State Officers

5:00 - 5:45pm  
State Star Banquet  
USU Hobo Day Gallery
Monday, April 8, 2019

6:00pm
PRE-SESSION
THIRD ANNUAL TEACH AG SIGNING DAY

6:15pm
SECOND SESSION
THIRD ANNUAL TEACH AG SIGNING DAY

6:30pm
STATE CONVENTION CHOIR CONCERT

7:00pm
SECOND SESSION
STATE CONVENTION CHOIR CONCERT

National Anthem 2019 State Convention Choir
Opening Ceremonies
Greetings
Star Agriscience Announcement
Scholarship Recognition
Retiring Address Colton Riley
Climb On

State Officer Advisor Recognition
Star Agribusiness Announcement
Introduction of State Officer Candidates
Retiring Address TJ Bigge
Your Team

Star Agriculture Placement Announcement
Distinguished Service Award Presentation
Honorary State Degree
Presentation Speaker Shea Booster
Western Region Vice President

Year in Review
Star Farmer Announcement
State Degree Ceremony – Part 1
District Greenhand Recognition
State Degree Ceremony – Part 2
Closing Ceremonies

Please be respectful and turn off all electronic devices during all sessions, workshops and CDEs.
Tuesday, April 9th

8:00am  PRE-SESSION
8:30am  THIRD SESSION

Opening Ceremonies
Agriscience Fair Recognition
Retiring Address ............................Carolyn Blatchford

National Chapter Awards
Retiring Address .............................Sarah Kroeger

Service Project Report
State Officer Parent Recognition
2019 Convention in Review

Career Development Event Results
Ambassador Recognition....................Connie Ismay

2019-2020 Ambassador Announcement
2019-2020 State Officer Announcement and Election
2018-2019 State Officer Recognition

Closing Ceremonies

12:30pm  State FFA Officer and Parent Luncheon

(Invitation Only).............................USU Hobo Day Gallery

Thank You

SD FFA thanks South Dakota State University faculty and students from the Ag-Bio Clubs for their time and assistance in making Career Development Events possible!
Roian Atwood
Director of Sustainability, Wrangler and Lee Jeans

Atwood leads brand sustainability strategy, engages suppliers globally to drive greater social and environmental performance, and works cross functionally with product development and marketing to create more sustainable products and share brand relevant stories. With fifteen years’ experience in footwear & apparel sustainability, Roian has a track record of managing a diverse set of projects and leading teams into an action-oriented, results driven approach to corporate sustainability.

Shea Booster
Nat. FFA Western Region Vice President

Booster was elected to serve at the 91st National FFA Convention and Expo. A sophomore from Oregon State University, Booster is majoring in agricultural business management. “Every member has been crafted through years of experiences that have led them to where they are today, allowing them to find comfort in their uniqueness, one member, one day at a time. I hope to intentionally seek out moments to build confidence in other young people who share my passion for leadership in agriculture,” Booster says. “During this next year, I hope to encourage members and agricultural education students to appreciate themselves as individuals.”

Watch live streaming of convention sessions:
Sunday, 7:00 - 9:30 pm
Monday, 7:00 - 10:00 pm
Tuesday, 8:00 - 11:30 am

visit sdaged.org for video link
WELCOME FFA MEMBERS

to the 91st South Dakota FFA State Convention!

Grow and learn with us.

Check us out!
www.sdstate.edu/cafes

Questions? Contact us:
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605-688-5133

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Contact us at: info@sdffaalumni.org or find us on Facebook.

Even if you never wore a blue jacket, you can still be a member! Help guide and prepare students for a future in agriculture.
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2019 State Degree Recipients

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Ciara Rother  
Summer Schoon  
William Westhoff  
Joe Whaler

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Samuel Bender  
Conner Edelman  
Justin Edelman  
Hunter Haberman  
Hailey Handel  
Logan Klaudt  
Brittney Massey  
Kyle Munkvold  
Jaedyn Oplinger  
Eisley Sayler

Sanford  
Sara Capp  
Nathan Loutsch  
Kendra Schweer

Platte-Geddes  
Kaelynn Engbrechten  
Molly Muilenburg  
Sawyer Naasz  
Kaitlyn Slaba

Wade Kroetch  
Hunter Peterson  
Dyson Schofield  
Lane Williams

Rapid City  
Carter Christofferson  
Hayley Orth

William Westhoff  
Joe Whaler

Redfield  
Zach Jordan

Sanborn Central/  
Woonsocket  
Cole Moody  
Madison Moody  
Austin Schmit  
Sawyer Senska  
Nicholas Snedeker

Northwestern  
Gavin Bohl  
Jarret Haven  
Samantha Olson  
McKay Pettigrew  
Sadie Vander Wal  
Seth Wood

Sioux Valley  
Zachary Ryan Benson  
Madisyn Nicole Christensen  
Adam Coners  
Teagen Matthew Moser  
Alicia Lynn Vander Wal

Mitchell  
Haylee Constant  
Clay Jorgensen

Newell  
Dana Youngberg

Winnebago  
Brenna Reynolds

Parker  
Camden Blais  
Hannah Even  
Jackson Figien  
Logan Gusso  
Nick Haraldson  
Jacob Hoffmeister  
Alex Kasten  
Blake Olson  
Brenna Reynolds

Philip  
Morgan Cantrell  
Kaitlyn Fosheim  
Sage Gabriel  
Carson Hamill  
Brice Hanson  
Corbin Kramer

Sisseton  
Austin Backman  
Zoey Grubey

Sturgis  
Jordan Burge  
Randi Tivis

Tri Valley  
Courtney Anderson  
Trevor Benson  
Blake Burggraf  
Jenna Kruse  
Will Kuizer  
Jacob Madison  
Dylan Meyer  
Elissa Oyen  
Grace Shuttle  
Grace Swartwout  
Samantha Wiseman

Wall  
Karlie Dartt  
Jayton McKay  
Cooper McLaughlin  
Shelby Ruland  
Wynn Schaack  
Jaice Williams

Watertown Area  
Derek Mason  
Evan Rieber

Webster/Waubay  
Logan Dolney  
Kendra Johnson  
Briar Wyffels

Wessington Springs  
Shelby Barber  
Sierra Burg  
Chandler Flowers  
Noah Hainy  
Isaac Kolousek  
Rylie Stevens  
Heidi Tirrel

West Central  
Liz Carda  
Clay Farmer  
Connor Henning  
Sydney Kurzt  
Tony Mullinger  
Taylor McMartin  
Emily Nelson  
Kadyln Notz  
Megan Schoeneman  
Reece Ullerich

Willow Lake  
Abbie Rae Bratland  
Micah Wade Burke  
Cutter J Michalski  
Jacob D Proudly

Winnebago  
Brenna Reynolds

Winner  
Luke Hennebold  
Katy Lantz  
Casey Stickland  
Andrew Taylor  
Logan Tunnissen  
Brandon Volmer

Wolsey Wessington  
Henry Eichstadt  
Mark Hamilton  
McKenzie Hochhalter  
Jacob Kahre  
Lance Langbehn  
Jakob Lloyd  
Summer Ludemann  
Paige Snyder  
Seth Spriens  
Logan Zemlicka
2019 STAR Award Finalists

**STAR Farmer Finalists**
Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America

- Isaac Kolousek ................................................... Wessington Springs
- Danielle Houghtaling .............................................. Doland
- Jarret Haven ........................................................ Northwestern Area
- Brandon Volmer .................................................... Winner

**STAR in Agriscience Finalists**
Sponsored by Glacial Lakes Energy, LLC

- Tanner Peterson ....................................................... McCook Central
- Conner Thaler ......................................................... Beresford
- Blake Pulse ............................................................. McCook Central
- Sadie VanderWal .................................................. Northwestern Area

**STAR in Placement Finalists**
Sponsored by The Dan Streff Family, Salem

- Blake Olson .............................................................. Parker
- Kadyn Nolz ............................................................... West Central
- Kaysee Christensen .................................................. Beresford
- Mitchell Healy ........................................................ Harrisburg

**STAR in Ag Business**
Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America

- Kristin Kotas ....................................................... Bridgewater-Emery
- Jordan Burge ......................................................... Sturgis
- Kayla Smeenk ........................................................ Harrisburg
- Camden Bialas ......................................................... Parker

**District Star Greenhands**
Sponsored by Central Farmers Cooperative

- Tessa Erdmann ......................................................... Groton
- Kasandra Knutson .................................................. Viborg-Hurley
- Laney Mackaben .................................................. Belle Fourche
- Mitchell Vander Wal ............................................. Northwestern Area
- Gage Gullickson ......................................................... Flandreau

**FFA Members...**

Attend the 2019 SD FFA Career Carnival

*in the Upper Level of the SDSU Student Union*

Talk to exhibitors to earn prizes.
Distinguished Star Partner  
($25,000)  
Twin Cities Region  
Northland Ford Dealers  

Team Ag Ed STAR Partners  
Thank you to our South Dakota Team Ag Ed Star Partners for seeing the value of South Dakota FFA and agricultural education!

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GrainBridge • Hanson Associates, LLC  
Midwest Ag & Veterinary Services  
RDO Equipment • Riverview, LLP  
SD Corn Utilization Council  
The First National Bank in Sioux Falls  
Titan Machinery • U. S. Army ROTC  

Star Partners provide financial resources for six South Dakota Team Ag Ed members:

South Dakota FFA Association  
South Dakota FFA Alumni  
South Dakota Association of Agricultural Educators  
Post-Secondary Agricultural Student Groups  
South Dakota FFA Foundation  
Agricultural Education at SDSU
You hear a lot about leadership, but what does it really mean? How are you going to become the leader your community, industry and family need you to be? Learn some practical tips for developing your FULL potential as a leader in agriculture and your rural community.

Farming is Risky Business (FRB)
USDA Risk Management
USU Herold Crest 253C ................................. 9am, 10:30am, 1pm
Are you a risk taker? Join our FRB workshop to learn the critical importance of risk management in agriculture. Sponsored by USDA’s Risk Management Agency (RMA), the FRB workshop revolves around a competitive farm simulation game, with prizes awarded to top scorers.

First Dakota Behavior Builder
First Dakota National Bank
USU Walder Room 269 ................................. 9:30am, 11am, 1:30pm
We all have different behavioral styles. You’ll have some fun as you discover your personal style and what it means. You will learn how understanding the styles of others can improve your interactions and how your behavior style might affect your personal financial habits.

Agriculture; It all starts with the Soil
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
USU Dakota Room A&C ................................. 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm
In this session, representatives of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service will discuss how their organization assists farmers and ranchers in SD to improve their profitability and protect the natural resources that make agriculture possible. Learn about careers, conservation issues and solutions with some interactive discussion and demonstrations. You will leave with resources that will assist you during the rest of your FFA career and beyond.

Living to Serve
FFA Day of Service - Meals of Hope
During the convention, give back. Live to serve. Dedicate your free time to making a difference in the lives of those in need.
Sponsored by Pioneer & National FFA.

Monday, April 8
9:00am-3:00pm
HPER Center, 2nd Floor Lobby
**Put Pork On Your Fork!**
SD Pork Producers

**Pioneer Room 265** ........................................... 10am, 11:30am, 2pm

Are you interested in learning more about your favorite PROTEIN! Join us to learn tips and tricks to cooking the proper pork cut and the nutrition behind the deliciousness!

**Actions Speak**
Shea Booster, National FFA Western Region Vice President

**Room: USU Pheasant Room 253** ......................... 9am, 11am

Whether we realize it or not, our actions speak loudly. Are we in control of what they are saying? Come on in and together we will learn to control our actions.

**International Travel in College**
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**USU Heritage 258** ............................................ 9am, 11am

If attending college is part of your plans after high school, you will likely be offered many opportunities to study abroad or take part in international experiences. Whether you have serious plans or curious about completing an international experience come learn what some great opportunities are when arriving at college. We will have SDSU students who have completed some in the past years to some great places across the world.

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**USU Black Hills 271** ........................................... 10am, 1pm

Have you ever considered teaching agriculture? This workshop invites you to learn more about a career in agriculture education, while better understanding what our agriculture teachers experience day to day.

**Building Bridges with AFA**
Kylee Kohls, AFA Student Leader, and TJ Ruen
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**USU Heritage 258** ............................................ 12:30pm, 2pm

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**How to Advocate for Your Operation**
SDSU Collegiate Farm Bureau

**USU Oakwood 273** ........................................... 9am, 11am

Are you an up-and-coming young farmer or rancher looking to make your mark in Agriculture? Are you concerned about how you are going to be able to initially finance your operation? Learn what current agriculture lenders are looking for in loan applicants by showcasing your own operation plan to our “Shark Tank” like panel, composed of current young farmers and ranchers, ag lenders, and current industry experts.
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**Monday, April 8, 2019**

**WORKSHOPS**

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**Charting Your Personal Leadership Journey**
USU Pasque Room 255 ................................................. 9am, 10:30am, 12:30pm

**Farming is Risky Business (FRB)**
USU Herold Cress 253C ................................................. 9am, 10:30am, 1pm

**First Dakota Behavior Builder**
USU Walder Room 269 ................................................. 9:30am, 11am, 1:30pm

**Agriculture: It all starts with the Soil**
USU Dakota Room A&C .................................................. 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm

**Put Pork on your Fork!**
Pioneer Room 265 ................................................. 10am, 11:30am, 2pm

**Actions Speak**
USU Pheasant Room 253 ................................................. 9am, 11am

**International Travel in College**
USU Heritage 258 ................................................. 9am, 11am

**Teach Ag, THE BEST JOB EVER**
USU Black Hills 271 .................................................. 10am, 1pm

**Building Bridges with AFA**
USU Heritage 258 .................................................. 12:30pm, 2pm

**How to Advocate for Your Operation**
USU Oakwood 273 ................................................. 9am, 11am

**Team Up to Safety Quiz Bowl**
Student Union State Room 260 ................................................. 9am - 4pm  
*Provided by South Dakota Farmers Union*

**Career Carnival**  
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Student Union, Upper Level ................................................. 9am - 3pm
*Gallery, Prairie, & Crazy Horse Lounges*

**“Living to Serve” Project - Meals of Hope**
HPER Center, 2nd Floor ................................................. 9am - 3pm

**State FFA Degree Reception**
USU Volstorff Ballroom ................................................. 5pm - 6:30pm

**State Star Banquet**
USU Hobo Day Gallery ................................................. 5pm - 5:45pm