



Convention Schedule

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Monday – May 25

3:00 pm State Officer Candidate Process begins ****tentative start****

Tuesday – May 26

8:00 am State Officer Candidate Process begins for the day

8:30 am State Band Check-In & Rehearsal Begins, McCain Auditorium, Room 201 (1501 Goldstein Cir)

8:30 am State Chorus Check-In & Rehearsal Begins, McCain Auditorium, Room 204 (1501 Goldstein Cir)

9:00 am State Officer Candidates Report – Kansas Department of Agriculture

9:00 am **Parliamentary Procedure Leadership Development Event – Senior**

1:00 pm State Band Rehearsal

1:00 pm State Chorus Rehearsal

5:15 pm Band & Chorus Pizza Party – McCain Loft

Wednesday – May 27

8:00 am State Officer Candidate Process begins for the day

8:00 am **Prepared Public Speaking Leadership Development Event - Preliminary Round**

8:00 am **Extemporaneous Public Speaking Leadership Development Event - Preliminary Round**

8:30 am State Band Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 201

8:30 am State Chorus Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 204

9:00 am **Conduct of Meetings Leadership Development Event**

10:00 am **Employability Skills Leadership Development Event**

10:00 am **Leadership Development Workshop** – T. Wayne Williams, National FFA Southern Region Vice President – K-State Student Union, Bluemont Room

10:30 am **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshops (Workshop concludes at 11 am)**

Farm Your Future: Finding Your Place in the Family Operation - Thinking about returning to the farm? This interactive session will help you connect your skills, interests, and goals to real opportunities on the farm. You'll be challenged to think beyond "returning home" and start shaping a role that brings new ideas, energy, and direction to your operation as it moves into the next generation.

10:30 am **Ag Issues Forum Leadership Development Event**

10:30 am **Extemporaneous Public Speaking Leadership Development Event - Semi-Final Round**

10:45 am **Kansas FFA Opportunities Fair Grand Opening** – K-State Student Union, Ballroom Foyer

- 11:00 am **Convention Registration Opens** – McCain Auditorium Lobby
- 11:00 am **26th Annual Kansas FFA Opportunity Fair** – K-State Student Union, Grand Ballroom
Student engagement opportunity: Each exhibitor at the opportunity fair will have a supply of tokens to give to a student who has a productive interaction with them. These tokens can then be turned in for a commemorative Kansas FFA Convention T-shirt. This incentive encourages students to engage in meaningful conversations with vendors and learn more about the opportunities available to them at the fair.
*The first 275 members to collect **three convention tokens** from exhibitors for having a quality, engaging conversation will be able to turn them in for a Kansas FFA convention t-shirt.*
- 11:00 am **Blue & Gold Conclave** – Session 1 – K-State Student Union, Flinthills Room
- 11:00 am **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshops (Workshop concludes at 12 noon)**
The Daily Grind to Make Daily Bread – Take a tour through the Grain Science & Industry pilot flour mill and learn about what it takes to make wheat flour and the careers available in the industry. The Hal Ross Mill is equipped with regular full-size equipment for our students to begin to learn the science and craft of flour milling.
Or
Feed Your Curiosity – What is that tall building? – At the O.H. Kruse Feed Technology Center, K-State Ag provides training in the areas of feed processing & safety, quality assurance, pet food development, and grain handling. Take a walking tour of this world-class facility used for teaching the next gen of feed industry leaders through student involvement, hands-on instruction and internships. *** Special note:** Visitors must wear closed-toed shoes for safety reasons.
- 11:30 am **Prepared Public Speaking Leadership Development Event** - Semi-Final Round
- 11:30 am **Career Development Workshop** - Wildcat Chambers, KSU Student Union
- 12:00 pm **Convention Delegate Process** – K-State Union **(Times tentative for Delegate Process Below)**
****Dress code for delegate activities is Official Dress.****
12:45 pm Training & Technology Checks
1:15 pm State Officer Candidate Facilitations
3:15 pm Committee Meetings
4:15 pm Meet the Candidates – K-State Alumni Center, Ballroom
5:30 pm Delegates Dismissed
7:00 pm First General Session
Delegates seated in McCain Auditorium for Candidate Speeches
- 12:30 pm **Hands-on Service Activities** ****Registration Required****
- 1:00 pm **Creed Public Speaking Leadership Development Event**
- 1:00 pm **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshop (Workshops conclude at 2 pm)**
AgTalk: Speak Up for Agriculture - Speak Up for Agriculture is an interactive, 45-minute workshop designed to help students confidently communicate about agriculture. Participants build professional networking skills, learn how to introduce themselves effectively, and practice crafting and delivering a concise, engaging elevator speech on an agriculture topic of their choice. The workshop empowers students to advocate for agriculture in conversations, events, and future professional settings.
Or
The Daily Grind to Make Daily Bread
Or
Feed your Curiosity – What is that tall building?
- 1:00 pm **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshop (Workshops conclude at 3 pm)**

Explore Engineering - In this interactive workshop, students will explore the world of engineering through hands-on challenges and real-world problem solving. Participants will work in teams to design, build, and test solutions while learning how engineers think and innovate.

OR

Lung Story Short...We're Dissecting - Students will get to dissect livestock plucks, and see how major organs in various animals interact.

OR

Pawsitively Delicious - Creating Critter Snacks - Students will learn about the pet food industry and get to make their own human-grade pet treats to take home.

1:00 pm **Leadership Workshop** – Luke Jennings - K-State Alumni Center, Tadtman Boardroom

1:30 pm **Invitational Spanish Creed Speaking Leadership Development Event**

1:30 pm **Career Development Workshop** - Purple Pride Room, K-State Alumni Center

1:45 pm **Hands-on Service Activities** ****Registration Required****

2:00 pm **Deadline to submit scrapbooks for evaluation**

2:15 pm **Leadership Workshop** – Luke Jennings - K-State Alumni Center, Tadtman Boardroom ****Tentative****

3:00 pm **Creed Public Speaking Leadership Development Event Finals** ****Finals are open for general attendance****

3:00 pm **Courtesy Corps Meeting** – McCain Auditorium Lobby

3:30 pm **Leadership Workshop** – T. Wayne Williams, National FFA Southern Region Vice President - K-State Alumni Center, Tadtman Boardroom

Note: Attire in Morgan Family Arena and McCain Auditorium will be Official Dress.

Members receiving recognition on the auditorium stage must be in proper Official Dress

OPENING SESSION, Morgan Family Arena ****Delegates seated & roll called****

7:00 pm Posting of Colors National Anthem Opening Ceremony
Welcome to Kansas State University
Presentation of Chapter Charters
Creed Speaking Awards – Creed presented by State Creed Speaking Finalists
Invitational Spanish Creed Speaking Recognition
Retiring Address – Dustin Denton, State Vice President
Senior Parliamentary Procedure Awards
Recognition of Conduct of Chapter Meeting
Presentation of State Officer Candidate Speeches
Closing Ceremony

9:00 pm **FFA Night at LEAP Trampoline Park** - 3011 Anderson Avenue

9:30 pm **Parker Ryan Concert** – The Hat in Aggieville (1315 Laramie St) ****Ticket Required****

Each local chapter advisor will receive one free advisor's ticket (non-transferable) with the purchase of ten (10) tickets.

Dress code for the concert is as follows:

- Jeans of a solid color with no logos, designs, rips, or holes with either an unaltered (1) Kansas FFA issued or purchased t-shirt; (2) Chapter FFA issued or purchased shirt; (3) a FFA event issued or purchased t-shirt, or (4) button-down/ collared shirt.
- No midriiffs exposed.
- No shorts allowed.

Members arriving at the concert in clothing that does not meet the above-listed code will not be allowed

to enter until dressed appropriately.

Thursday – May 28

- 7:00 am **Convention Registration Reopens** – McCain Auditorium
- 7:00-8:30 am **Future Leaders Breakfast** – McCain Auditorium, Loft ****Invitation Only Event****
- 8:30 am State Band Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 201
- 8:30 am State Chorus Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 204
- SECOND SESSION, McCain Auditorium**
- 8:30 am Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*
 Opening Ceremony – Presented by the winning chapter of Conduct of Chapter Meetings Leadership Development Event
 Innovative Ideas in Building Communities
 Retiring Address – Bricen Benyshek, State Reporter
 Presentation of the Kansas FFA Foundation Board
 Leadership Information Recognition
 Recognition of Teacher Service to KAAE and Districts
 Presentation of the Nationwide Golden Owl
 Special Remarks – Luke Jennings
 Recognition of SAE Grant Recipients – National and State
 State Proficiency Award Winners Recognition – *Areas included: Agricultural Communications through and including Environmental Science and Natural Resources*
 Closing Ceremony
Session ends at approximately 10:30 am
- 9:00 am **Administrator Convention Experience (ACE)** – K-State Student Union, Room 202
- 9:30 am Convention Immersion Experiences
 Introducing the 3-Circle Model, Kansas Ag Ed and Convention Experiences
- 11:30 am Lunch & Discussion
- 12:30 pm Blue & Gold Conclave
- 1:15 pm Session Preview with Jeff Hines
- 2:00 pm 3rd General Session
- 4:30 pm Close out ACE
- 10:00 am **Discussion Meet Finals** ****Finals are open for general attendance**** - K-State Student Union, Wildcat Chambers
- 10:00 am **Career Development Workshop** - K-State Student Union, Flint Hills Room
- 10:00 am **Middle Grades Experience**
 10:00 am – Workshop – T. Wayne Williams, Southern Region National FFA Vice President
 10:45 am – Workshop – Luke Jennings, Former National FFA Secretary
 11:30 am – Quiz Bowl & People in Agriculture Competitions ****Tentative based upon entries – pre-entries are indicating an earlier start****
- 10:30 am **SAE Success Social** – McCain Auditorium, Loft ****Invitation Only****
- 10:30 am **Marketing Plan Career Development Event** - K-State Student Union, Room 226
- 10:30 am **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshop - Making a Career Out of an Agriscience Fair Project: The Dos and Don'ts**

Dive into the exciting world of agriscience through this hands-on workshop focused on developing impactful Agriscience Fair projects. Participants will learn how to choose a topic, conduct research, and present findings effectively. The session also highlights real-world career paths in agriculture, food, and natural resources that connect directly with scientific research, innovation, and sustainability. Perfect for students looking to grow their skills in this CDE and/or explore future science careers. (Workshop concludes at 11:30 pm)

OR

AgTalk: Speak Up for Agriculture (Workshop concludes at 11:30 am)

- 10:30 am **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshop** (Workshop concludes at 12:00 noon)
Crops and Weeds in Agronomy - Time to practice your identification skills on key crops and weeds found in Kansas! As one key part of Agronomy, you will review plants in the field and in the lab.
- 11:30 am **K-State College of Agriculture Interactive Workshop** (Workshop concludes at 1:00 pm)
Learn & Tour KSU Vet Med! - Interested in learning more about vet med and what pursuing vet school looks like? Sign up to learn about our admissions process and take a tour of our facilities!
- 11:00 am **Extemporaneous Public Speaking Finals** ****Finals are open for general attendance**** - K-State Student Union, Wildcat Chambers
- 11:15 am-12:15 pm Chorus State Rehearsal, McCain Auditorium
- 12:15 – 1:15 pm Band Stage Rehearsal, McCain Auditorium
- 12:00 pm **Proficiency Award Luncheon** – K-State Alumni Center (100 Alumni Center, 1720 Anderson Avenue), Ballroom
****Ticket Required****
- 12:30 pm **Blue & Gold Conclave** – Session 2 - K-State Student Union, Big 12 Room
- 1:00 pm **Prepared Public Speaking Finals** ****Finals are open for general attendance**** - K-State Student Union, Wildcat Chambers
- 1:30 pm **Leadership Workshop** – Luke Jennings, Past National FFA Secretary, K-State Student Union, Big 12 Room

THIRD SESSION, McCain Auditorium

- 2:00 pm Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*
Opening Ceremony
State Proficiency Award Winners – *Areas included: Equine Science - Entrepreneurship through and including Wildlife Production and Management*
Retiring Address – Maggie Chandler, State Treasurer
Recognition of Kansas FFA Foundation Sponsors Recognition of Chapter Seed Program
Recognition of Middle Grades Quiz Bowl Teams (Top 2)
Scrapbook Awards
Employability Skills Recognition
Agriscience Student Recognition
Recognition of Innovative Ideas in Growing Leaders
Recognition of Presidential CTE Scholars
Special Remarks – T. Wayne Williams, National FFA Southern Region Vice President
Scholarships – Alumni and WLC
John Deere Gator Finalist Drawing
Closing Ceremony
Session ends at approximately 4:30 pm
- 2:30 pm **Career Development Workshop** - K-State Student Union, Flint Hills Room
- 4:30 pm **Delegate Business Session** – K-State Alumni Center, Ballroom (****Tentative****)

- 5:30 pm **State Convention Band & Chorus Concert** – McCain Auditorium
- 6:45 pm **Band & Chorus Recognition** – K-State Student Union, Wildcat Chambers

FOURTH SESSION, McCain Auditorium

- 7:00 pm Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*
Opening Ceremony
Retiring Address – Marisa Wasinger, State Secretary
Honorary State FFA Degree Ceremony
Presentation of VIP Citation
Recognition of Discussion Meet Winners
Recognition of Ag Issues Forum
Extemporaneous Speaking Recognition
Prepared Public Speaking Recognition
Innovative Ideas in Strengthening Agriculture
Keynote Speaker – Tanner Clark
Closing Ceremony

Session ends at approximately 9:00 pm

- 9:00 pm **Ignite the Night at the Rec**– Chester E. Peters Recreation Complex, Kansas State University
****Registration Required & Tickets****
Alumni Dodgeball Tournament (limit two teams per chapter – total of 56 teams), Pickle Ball, 3 on 3 Basketball, Sand Volleyball, Cornhole, Music, other fun engaging activities, and Chris Cakes (aka Pancakes)!

Friday – May 29

- 7:15 am **Convention Registration Opens** – McCain Auditorium
- 7:15 am **Growing Futures: A Kansas FFA Scholars Connection** – McCain Auditorium, Loft ****Invitation Only****
- 8:30 am State Band Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 201
- 8:30 am State Chorus Rehearsal – McCain Auditorium, Room 204

FIFTH SESSION, McCain Auditorium

- 8:00 am Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*
Opening Ceremony – Presented by the 25th Anniversary State Officer Team
Retiring Address – Allyson Rietcheck, State Sentinel
Recognition of National Chapter (walkthrough Bronze, Silver, Gold)
State of the State Remarks
Recognition of Marketing Plan
Recognition of Kansas Chapters Participating in National Career Development Events and High Individuals
Recognition of Career Development Events Sweepstakes Winners
Scholarships – Ford, State & National
Delegate Committee Reports (If needed) New Business (If needed)
Closing Ceremony

Session ends at approximately 10:00 am

- 9:30 am **Career Development Workshop** - K-State Student Union, Flint Hills Room

SIXTH SESSION, McCain Auditorium

- 10:30 am Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*

Opening Ceremony
Special Remarks –Lukas Koch, Chief Technology Officer, Heinen Brothers Agri Services
State FFA Degree Ceremony
Drawing for Gator Giveaway (must be present and in Official Dress to win)
Closing Ceremonies

Session ends at approximately 11:45 am

State FFA Degree Picture – McCain Auditorium *(Immediately following the close of the session)*

11:00 am **Past State Officer Reunion** – K-State Alumni Center, Banquet B&C

12:00 noon **Stars Over Kansas Luncheon** – K-State Alumni Center, Banquet A&D ****Ticket Required****

12:30 pm **Blue & Gold Conclave** – Session 3 - K-State Student Union, Flint Hills Room

SEVENTH SESSION, McCain Auditorium ****Delegates seated & roll called****

2:00 pm Laser Light Show, *Sponsored by K-State College of Agriculture*

Opening Ceremony
State Convention Band
Retiring Address – Lillian Hulse, State President
Presentation of Triple Crown Awards (top 10 on stage)
Presentation of Garlow Memorial Trophy
State Convention Chorus
“Stars over Kansas” Pageant
Recognition of 2025-2026 State FFA Officers
Officer Scholarship Presentation
Election of 2026-2027 State FFA Officers
Recognition of Past State FFA Officers
Installation of 2026-2027 State FFA Officers
Greetings – New State President
Closing Ceremony

Session ends at approximately 4:30 pm

Blue & Gold Celebration – K-State Alumni Center, Tointon Great Room

Starting 20 minutes following the tap of the closing ceremony gavel in the last session.

Invited guests to include State Foundation Sponsors/ Board, State Stars & Parents, Past & Newly Elected Officers & Parents, and Triple Crown Chapters