
Procedures for Election of State FFA Officers

Ohio FFA Association

Purpose

The Ohio FFA Association shall elect officers to provide leadership and guidance to the organization. State FFA office is a position of leadership. An officer's duties can be placed in three general categories: to motivate members to achieve their highest potential and get the greatest good from their involvement in FFA; to promote the organization and act as a goodwill ambassador for agriculture and career-technical education (specifically agricultural education); and to give direction to the work of the organization and perform all tasks necessary to execute the various programs of work in the state association.

Composition of the Officer Team

The elected officers of the Ohio FFA Association shall consist of president, 1st vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, sentinel, and 5 vice presidents at large.

Term of Office

Ohio FFA officers shall serve for a term of one year, and shall not be re-elected, nor eligible for election to another state office, with the exception of seeking nomination for state president. In the event a state convention is not held in any given year, the Ohio FFA Board of Trustees shall make provisions for the appointment of Ohio FFA officers for the next succeeding year.

Qualifications

Each candidate must be a member in good standing, hold the State FFA Degree, and be a junior, senior or first-year graduate by the closing of the state convention at which he or she is elected.

Application

Candidates must submit a written application, as well as an advisor recommendation form, by the given deadline. Advisors may not recommend more than two candidates from the same chapter. In the event a chapter has a current state officer seeking the presidency, the advisor may still recommend two additional candidates from that chapter.

Interview Process

Candidates will rotate through a multi-phased interview and be scored by a nominating committee. Interview rounds may include but are not limited to a general interview, an impromptu scenario, an extemporaneous speech, a "Why I Desire to Serve" interview, a writing exercise, and a written exam. Candidates must reach a minimum score to be considered for state office. The top ten scoring candidates (excluding presidential candidates) will be placed on the ballot as follows: two candidates for 1st vice president, two candidates for secretary, two candidates for treasurer, two candidates for reporter and two candidates for sentinel.

Elections

Candidates will be given equal opportunity to prepare and present remarks to the delegates at the Ohio FFA Convention. Following the remarks, the candidates will be voted upon. No nominations will be taken from the delegate floor. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes for each office shall be elected to the position. The candidate not receiving the majority vote will automatically become one of the 5 vice presidents at large.