**OHIO FFA OFFICER CANDIDATE APPLICATION**

A chapter may recommend two candidates for Ohio FFA office. The candidates must be active members in good standing, have or be receiving the State FFA Degree, and meet the requirements for active membership during the time he or she serves as an Ohio FFA officer. This means the candidate must run for an Ohio FFA office no later than the first state convention following graduation from high school and no earlier than their junior year in high school.

The purpose of this application is to provide the nominating committee with updated information on each candidate and provide the initial means for each candidate to express his or her desire and commitment to serve the Ohio FFA Association as an Ohio FFA officer. In addition, information is collected to facilitate the convention activities associated with the Ohio FFA officer selection process.

An interview schedule will be established and distributed upon receipt of all applications. Specific interview information will be emailed to all candidates and to their FFA Advisors.

**Email completed application including commitment form with signatures to Brenda Correll** at bcorrell@ohioffa.org no later than **MARCH 28, 2025**. **Note:** If you do not have the capabilities to scan in the commitment form and email, then mail the commitment form to Brenda Correll, 7191 Charleton Court, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110.

**QUALIFICATIONS AND PREREQUISITES**

Ohio FFA officers are required to perform on a very vigorous and continuous basis. Therefore, it is necessary that those who aspire to become officers are highly qualified, able and willing to perform. Please read and study the major qualifications and prerequisites very closely, and review the attached FFA calendar of event. When you are fully convinced that if elected you will, without any reservations, be fully able to carry out the role and responsibility of an Ohio FFA officer, then sign and return one copy of the Ohio FFA Officer Commitment Form with your application.

**ROLE OF OHIO OFFICER**

In order for present and future members of the Ohio FFA officer team, as well as state staff and the membership at large, to have an understanding of the Ohio FFA officers' role, all elected Ohio FFA officers assume the following major areas of responsibility:

1. The Ohio FFA officers shall execute the Ohio FFA Program of Activities and shall assist the chapters in the execution of their program of activities.

2. The Ohio FFA officers shall be a disseminator of specific agricultural education and FFA information to the membership.

3. The Ohio FFA officers motivate, inspire and encourage FFA members to participate in agricultural education and FFA programs. They assist members in their advancement of agricultural knowledge and development of leadership abilities.

4. The Ohio FFA officers shall maintain positive relationships with FFA members, agribusiness organizations, educational organizations, and persons within the agribusiness sector, the public and others interested in agricultural education.

5. The Ohio FFA officers shall project a positive image as a leader among American youth representing those qualities members and society accept as a life style role model.

##### OHIO FFA OFFICER CANDIDATE APPLICATION Due MARCH 28

(To be filled out by the Candidate)

**IMPORTANT:**

Be sure to include with this application: “Why I Desire to Serve as an Ohio FFA Officer,” limited to a maximum of 350 words and one signed copy of the “Ohio FFA Officer Commitment Form.”

Name: Male: Female:

FFA Membership ID: Chapter #:

Home Phone: ( ) Cell Phone: ( )

Home Address: State: Ohio Zip Code:

Email Address:

Date of Birth: Age:

Year earned the Ohio FFA State Degree: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Father’s Name: Mother’s Name:

FFA Advisor’s Name(s):

FFA Advisor’s Email(s):

Name of FFA Chapter:

Years of Agricultural Education Completed:

Current Grade in High School:

Date Graduated or will graduate from High School:

Year you received your State FFA Degree:

If you will be in college in the fall, where will you be attending?:

Will you be living at home or on campus?:

**Preferred General Interview Time on April 5, 2025** (Check One)

 Morning Afternoon Anytime

## I. SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

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**List the major skill, competencies and knowledge that you have gained through your SAE***.* **How have these contributed to your continued success?**

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| **Skills, Competencies and Knowledge** | **Contributions to Success** |
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II. CANDIDATE'S MAJOR FFA LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

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**III. CANDIDATE'S MAJOR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (NON-FFA)**

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**IV. STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

**“Why I Desire To Serve As An Ohio FFA Officer.”** (Limited to 350 words.)

**OHIO FFA OFFICER COMMITMENT FORM**

1. Be dedicated and committed to the total program of Agricultural Education and the FFA.
2. Be willing to commit the entire year to Ohio FFA officer activities and consider FFA officer activities to be my primary responsibility
3. Be willing and able to travel in serving the Ohio FFA Association using my personal automobile.
4. Be knowledgeable of current events in agriculture, education in agriculture and of FFA.
5. Through preparation and practice, develop myself into an effective public speaker and presenter.
6. Project a desirable image of FFA at all times.
7. Regularly, and on time, write all letters, thank-you notes, e-mails and other correspondence that are necessary and desirable.
8. Strive to improve my ability to carry on meaningful and enjoyable conversations with all individuals.
9. Accept and search out constructive criticism and evaluation of my total performance.
10. Maintain and protect my health and abstain from any and all use and/or consumption of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances at all times during my year of service to the FFA.
11. Treat all FFA members equally by not favoring one over another.
12. Conduct myself in a manner that commands respect without any display of superiority.
13. Maintain my dignity while being personable, concerned and interested in contacts with others.
14. Avoid places or activities that in any way would raise questions as to one’s moral character or conduct – be beyond reproach.
15. Use wholesome and appropriate language in all speeches and informal conversations.
16. Maintain proper dress and good grooming for all occasions.
17. Work in harmony with fellow FFA officers, and not knowingly engage in conversations detrimental to other FFA members, officers and adults.
18. Work cooperatively with other officers of the Ohio FFA Association; always maintaining a cooperative attitude.
19. Be willing to take and follow instructions as directed by those responsible for Ohio FFA officers and state and local FFA programs.

I have read and understood the above points. If elected as an Ohio FFA officer, I will carry out my responsibilities in accordance with these statements and understand that the Executive Secretary of the Ohio FFA Association can remove me from office if I do not satisfactorily follow these established standards. Furthermore, be it known that I will miss between 16-30 days of school in order to meet my responsibilities of serving as an Ohio FFA officer.

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 **Signature of Applicant Signature of Parent**

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 **Signature of School Administrator**

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