

National FFA Week Implementation Guide - North Dakota

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This guide is a resource for agriculture educators, advisors, chapter FFA officers, state FFA officers, state FFA staff, alumni and supporters to assist in planning and executing an engaging National FFA Week experience for the FFA chapter, school and community.

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• Each day, you'll secretly hide the Golden Owl somewhere in the school, challenging students and staff to find it. When a participant returns the owl, provide them with a QR code to enter the prize drawing.

• Pig in your Pocket Game

On the chosen day, five students will secretly start with a pig token in their pocket, and the challenge is to keep it hidden—or pass it along if caught! Encourage students to ask, trade, and strategize while sharing gratitude along the way. At 4:00 PM, those holding a pig will report to you to enter the prize drawing. Let the fun (and sneakiness) begin!

The Cows Are Out Game

On the chosen day, 10 numbered cows will be hidden around the ag department, and students must find **one** and return it to you before time runs out. Once they bring a cow to you, have them scan the QR code to enter the prize drawing. The game ends when all 10 cows are found—so let the search begin!

• Blind Date with an FFA Meeting

• Get ready for a mystery-filled FFA experience with *Blind Date with an FFA Meeting*, where members select sealed envelopes containing surprise activities that challenge them to step up, engage, and make every meeting unforgettable!

ND FFA Pin Design Challenge

Encourage your students to design a unique pin that represents ND FFA, with the chance for their artwork to be turned into an
official trading pin. Remind them to follow all submission guidelines, as entries become the property of ND FFA and may be
modified for production. Let's see who can create the next iconic ND FFA pin!

Where's the ND FFA State Advisor?

Each day, ND FFA will post a riddle on social media, leading students to a hidden image on the ND FFA website. The first to
find it, scan the QR code, and follow the instructions wins a prize! Encourage your students to sharpen their detective skills,
follow the clues, and join the hunt for a chance to win!

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o If you would like more ideas, we have a link to the National FFA Implementation Guide they have created with even more tools and resources for you to use.

Tagged to Lead North Dakota Project

Description

The "Tagged to Lead North Dakota" project is an innovative initiative to identify and highlight exceptional FFA members who exhibit outstanding leadership potential and qualities necessary to serve as a future ND State FFA Officer. The project operates on the premise of recognizing and tagging exceptional FFA members within local chapters across North Dakota. FFA Advisors play a pivotal role in tagging those who exhibit remarkable dedication, leadership skills, passion for agriculture, and a commitment to serving their communities.

Each chapter packet includes three "Tagged to Lead North Dakota" postcards with three exclusive pins. Advisors should identify FFA members of any grade level and then "tag" them as potential future candidates. "Tagged to Lead North Dakota" is not only about identifying potential leaders but also about empowering and nurturing their skills to lead effectively. By recognizing and supporting these outstanding FFA members, this project aims to foster a strong pipeline of capable leaders dedicated to advancing agriculture and the FFA's mission within the state of North Dakota. Senior FFA members who were tagged are encouraged to apply by May 5th.



Mystery FFA Chapter

Description

How much do you know about the chapters in North Dakota? Challenge your FFA members to use resources found on the ND FFA Website to determine which ND FFA Chapter the clues are referring to. This would make a perfect FFA meeting activity! Break students into groups and give each group the Mystery FFA Chapter Clues; let them know that devices are needed. Each group will make a guess on who they think the mystery chapter is. Once all the groups have shared who they think the mystery chapter is, have students use their parliamentary procedure skills to vote on the final guess. Once your chapter has a final guess, the advisor should scan the QR code below and submit the chapters guess. If you guess correctly, your chapter will be entered to win a chapter prize! Guesses are due by February 21st. Each chapter can only have one guess.



Mystery FFA Chapter Clues

Directions

- This chapter is in a rural community.
- This chapter was chartered prior to 1950.
- This chapter is on the western side of the state.
- This chapter is an affiliated chapter.
- This chapter has one teacher.
- This chapter has a male FFA Advisor.
- This chapter has less than 75 members.
- This chapter has had 1 State FFA Officer.
- This chapter has had a State LDE Champion since 2015.
- Since 2021, this chapter has had someone receive the American FFA Degree.
- This chapter's name has more than one word.

Get to Know your State Officers Scavenger Hunt – Student Worksheet

Description

Using the officer bios, complete the following questions to get to know your ND State Officer Team.

Officer bios can be found here: FFA LEADERSHIP | ND FFA Association

- 1. Which officer came from a ranch established in 1948?
- 2. Valley City State is the college to which officer?
- 3. What officer can be found polka, swing, or Ukrainian dancing?
- 4. How old was Grant Anderson when he started owning cattle?
- 5. Which officer is the only officer attending college out of North Dakota?
- 6. What was Bailey Ularcher's favorite CDE?
- 7. Teagan Erbele started with 10 ewes, how many did she end with before switching her SAE?
- 8. Which officer flew a plane before they drove a car?
- 9. How many CDEs/LDEs has Grant Anderson participated in?
- 10. Why was Dawsyn's favorite CDE Meat Evaluation?
- 11. How many laying hens does Mariah Lovro have?
- 12. How many officers attend NDSU?
- 13. What was Joe Lindberg's SAE?
- 14. Which officer has 5 siblings?
- 15. What inspired Bailey Urlacher to become a State Officer?
- 16. Which officer is in ROTC and hopes to fly helicopters for the army someday?
- 17. Why did Bailey & Mariah put Washington Leadership Conference (WLC) as their favorite memory?
- 18. Which CDE or LDE sounds interesting to you or would you like to try after reading the bios?
- 19. Would you ever consider being a State FFA Officer?
- 20. Share the thing you found most interesting that you learned about the State FFA Officers.



Get to Know your State Officers Scavenger Hunt – Teacher KEY

Description

Teacher Key for the "Get to Know your State Officers Scavenger Hunt" Worksheet.

- 1. Which officer came from a ranch established in 1948? Mariah Lovro
- 2. Valley City State is the college to which officer? Anna Palmer
- 3. What officer can be found polka, swing, or Ukrainian dancing? Dawsyn Malkowski
- 4. How old was Grant Anderson when he started owning cattle? 9 years old
- 5. Which officer is the only officer attending college out of North Dakota? Joe Lindberg
- 6. What was Bailey Ularcher's favorite CDE? Prepared Public Speaking
- 7. Teagan Erbele started with 10 ewes, how many did she end with before switching her SAE? 60
- 8. Which officer flew a plane before they drove a car? Anna Palmer
- 9. How many CDEs/LDEs has Grant Anderson participated in? 9
- 10. Why was Dawsyn's favorite CDE Meat Evaluation? Because it displays the breakdown of livestock animals and how the different anatomy connects throughout the animal in retail ID.
- 11. How many laying hens does Mariah Lovro have? 50-100
- 12. How many officers attend NDSU? 4
- 13. What was Joe Lindberg's SAE? Minnow Trapping/Joe's Minnows
- 14. Which officer has 5 siblings? Tegan Erbele
- 15. What inspired Bailey Urlacher to become a State Officer? The past state officers before her, and helping members believe in themselves.
- 16. Which officer is in ROTC and hopes to fly helicopters for the army someday? Dawsyn Malkowski
- 17. Why did Bailey & Mariah put Washington Leadership Conference (WLC) as their favorite memory? Connecting from members all over the country, growing leadership skills, how to initiate change
- 18. Which CDE or LDE sounds interesting to you or would you like to try after reading the bios? Answers will vary
- 19. Would you ever consider being a State FFA Officer? Answers will vary
- 20. Share the thing you found most interesting that you learned about the State FFA Officers. Answers will vary

Flat National FFA Officer: A ND takeover

Description

Breaking News: The National FFA Officers Are Coming to North Dakota! The National FFA Officers are making their way to North Dakota, visiting chapters across the state to celebrate National FFA Week! But there's a twist—they're arriving as Flat National FFA Officers!

Inspired by the popular Flat Stanley concept, this project gives your chapter the unique opportunity to host a National FFA Officer—just in flat form! Each chapter will receive a Flat National FFA Officer cutout, and it's up to you to take them on adventures, showcase your chapter, and highlight the incredible things happening in North Dakota FFA.

This is your chance to make history and show the nation how North Dakota FFA celebrates National FFA Week. Where will your Flat National FFA Officer go?

1. Mission: Host a National FFA Officer!

Your chapter's Flat National FFA Officer is ready to hit the road! Take them along as they:

- Visit SAE projects Show them hands-on learning in action.
- Attend community events Introduce them to your local supporters.
- Compete in ag contests See if they can handle the competition.
- Join spirit days Dress them up for National FFA Week fun.
- Take over social media Share their journey on Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok using #FlatNationalFFAOfficer, #NDFFA and #FFAWeek!
- Interview members and alumni Have them "ask" members what FFA means to them.
- Attend chapter meetings They have important business to take care of!
- Create a travel display Document their journey throughout the week.

2. Get Ready, North Dakota FFA!

The Flat National FFA Officers will be traveling all National FFA Week, and we want to see every moment! Tag National FFA on social media or email your chapter's adventures to bmueller@nd.gov to be featured.

Let's make this the most unforgettable National FFA Week yet—the Flat National FFA Officers are counting on you! #FlatNationalFFAOfficer #FFAWeek #NDFFA

Flat National FFA Officer: A ND takeover – Letter to Members

Dear North Dakota FFA Members,

I hope this message finds you excited and ready to celebrate National FFA Week! While I wish I could visit every chapter and take part in your incredible plans, I have exciting news—a National FFA Officer Takeover is coming to North Dakota.

The Flat National FFA Officer project is here, bringing a fun and engaging way to celebrate FFA, agriculture, and the impact of our organization. Inspired by the popular Flat Stanley concept, each chapter will receive a Flat National FFA Officer cutout to take on adventures throughout National FFA Week.

Your Flat National FFA Officer is ready to:

- Visit SAE projects and see hands-on learning in action
- Attend community events and meet the people who support FFA
- Join competitions and dress-up days to embrace FFA spirit
- Take over social media with fun photos and chapter highlights
- Interview members and alumni about their FFA experiences
- Join chapter meetings and classroom lessons to engage with students

How can you get involved? Take your Flat National FFA Officer on as many adventures as possible, document the journey, and share the experience on social media. Tag National FFA and use #FlatNationalFFAOfficer, #NDFFA and #FFAWeek to showcase your chapter's creativity and dedication to agriculture.

This is a great opportunity to highlight the impact of FFA and agricultural education in North Dakota. I encourage every chapter to take part, have fun, and make the Flat National FFA Officer Takeover a memorable part of National FFA Week.

I look forward to seeing all the places your Flat National FFA Officer visits. Let's make this a celebration to remember.

Sincerely,

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ND State FFA Officer Visit Worksheet

Description

Do you have a ND State FFA Officer visiting during National FFA Week? Use this ready-made worksheet during the visit for students to document what they learned.

FFA Advisors are encouraged to request a state officer here: <u>ND FFA State Officer Appearance Request Form (cognitoforms.com)</u>. Requests are filled based on state officer availability and first come, first served basis. **All State Officer requests, including the examples below, must be submitted on the request form above**. The earlier requests are received allow staff to properly schedule, support state officers in planning, and allow us to reach more chapters.

Here is a list of ways a ND FFA Chapter could include a ND State Officer in their National FFA Week activities either in person or virtually:

- **Virtual Q & A Session:** Organize a virtual Q & A session with a ND State Officer where chapter members can ask questions about FFA, leadership, or their experiences as a state officer. This would make a great chapter meeting activity!
- **Panel Discussion:** Include a State Officer in a panel discussion featuring FFA alumni, industry professionals, or tother guest speakers. This can be held in-person or virtually to discuss relevant agricultural or leadership topics.
- **FFA Week Celebration**: Invite a ND State FFA Officer as a guest to the chapters FFA Week celebration. They could give a small speech or share inspiring stories with members. They could even come lead a few fun activities!
- **Video Messages:** Request a ND State FFA Officer to record a motivational or encouraging video message specifically for your chapter to be played during National FFA Week events or meetings.
- **Social Media Takeover**: All a ND State FFA Officer to take over a chapter's social media accounts for a day or a specific period during National FFA Week. They can share their FFA Journey, insights, and engage with members online.
- **Tik-Tok/Reel Videos:** Request a small video from a ND State FFA Officer to use in a Tik-Tok or Reel to help promote National FFA Week for your chapter.
- **Pen pals:** Choose a state officer for your chapter officer teams to exchange letters, emails or digital messages with!
- Podcast/Video Interview: Invite a ND State Officer to sit down for an inclusive podcast or video interview sharing about what they love about National FFA Week, upcoming opportunities, and much more!

ND State FFA Office Visit – Student Worksheet

WHAT I LEARNED

FROM A VISIT WITH A ND STATE OFFICER

A highlight from this visit was:	WHO CAME TO VISIT?
SOMETHING I LEARNED ABOUT FFA:	A QUESTION I HAVE:

The Golden Owl Hunt

Description

Get ready for some schoolwide fun with *The Golden Owl Hunt*! During National FFA Week, students, teachers, and staff are invited to join in the search for the *Golden Owl* hidden somewhere in the school.

Here's how it works:

- 1. **Daily Owl Hiding:** Each day, your ag teacher will secretly choose a time to hide the *Golden Owl* in a new location around the school.
- 2. **Find the Owl:** Be on the lookout throughout the day! The owl could be hidden anywhere within the school.
- 3. **Return the Owl:** Once you find the owl, bring it to the ag teacher right away. They'll check your find and celebrate your success!
- 4. **Scan and Enter:** After returning the owl, scan the QR code provided by the ag teacher to enter your name into the drawing for a special prize. All winners must be submitted by February 28th. After that, no more entries will be accepted.

Remember, the owl will be hidden in a different spot each day, so the hunt starts fresh every morning. The more days you find the owl, the more chances you'll have to win.

At the end of National FFA Week, all entries will go into a drawing, and we'll announce the winner of the grand prize!

This is your chance to celebrate FFA, have fun with your school community, and maybe even win something special. Good luck, and let the hunt begin!



Pig in Your Pocket Game Instructions

Description

"Pig in Your Pocket" is a fun and sneaky game to celebrate National FFA Week! Five random students will start with a small pig token in their pocket. The goal? Keep the pig hidden and in your pocket until the game ends—or pass it along if someone catches you! This game is a great way to have fun, connect with others, and share some gratitude along the way.

How to Play:

- The ag teacher will choose a day during National FFA Week for the game to take place.
- Any student can participate!
- On the chosen day, five random students will be selected to start with a pig.
- If you have a pig, keep it in your pocket and try to hold onto it until the game ends.
- If you don't have a pig, ask any student: "Do you have a pig?"
- If someone with a pig is asked, they must hand it over to the person who asked.
- You cannot have more than one pig at a time. If you already have a pig, you cannot ask for another one.
- You may not ask for pigs during class time. The game should only be played between classes, during lunch, or before/after school.
- If you receive a pig, you must wait 15 minutes before asking the same person for it back.
- The game ends at 4:00 PM on the chosen date. If you have a pig in your pocket at that time, go to the ag teacher to have your name entered into a drawing for a prize!
- All winners must be submitted by February 28th. After that, no more entries will be accepted.
- While playing, take a moment to share something you're grateful for with the person you're asking. A little gratitude makes the game even more meaningful!

Good luck and may the sneakiest student win!

The Cows Are Out Game Instructions

Description

Oh no! The cows have escaped, and we need your help to find them! Somewhere around the agricultural department, 10 numbered cows are hiding. Your mission? Find ONE cow and return it to the ag teacher before time runs out!

The ag teacher will choose the day for this challenge during National FFA Week, so be ready to search when the time comes!

How to Play:

- 1. Find ONE Cow
 - Your chapter has 10 escaped cows, each with a unique number hidden around the ag department.
 - Search carefully—these cows might be hiding in plain sight or tucked away in sneaky spots!
 - You can only find ONE cow, so choose wisely!
- 2. Bring the Cow to the Ag Teacher
 - o Once you find a cow, take it to the ag teacher immediately—no keeping it to yourself!
 - o Only one cow per student, so if you find another one, leave it for someone else!
- 3. Scan the QR Code
 - The ag teacher will have a QR code for you to scan.
 - Scanning the code enters you into a prize drawing—don't forget this step!
- 4. End of the Game
 - The game ends when all 10 cows are found.
 - If you don't find a cow, better luck next time—those cows are tricky!

Are You Up for the Challenge?

These cows aren't going to find themselves, so keep your eyes open and be the first to catch one! Remember, only ONE cow per person, so once you've found yours, cheer on your fellow FFA members!

Good luck, cow catchers—let's round 'em up!

Blind Date with an FFA Meeting

Description

A mystery invitation to an unforgettable FFA experience!

Blind Date with an FFA Meeting is a fun and engaging way to bring excitement and mystery to your chapter meetings! Instead of knowing the agenda in advance, members will select a sealed envelope containing a surprise FFA meeting activity.

Each envelope will have symbols or small clues on the outside, hinting at what's inside—but the full activity remains a mystery until it's opened.

The challenge? Once you open your envelope, you must take on the activity inside! Whether it's leading a discussion, starting an icebreaker, or sharing an FFA fact, every task will contribute to making the meeting more interactive and memorable.

Step outside your comfort zone, embrace the unknown, and take a Blind Date with an FFA Meeting!

ND FFA Pin Design Challenge

Description

Trading pins are popular at National FFA Convention & Expo. This FFA Week Challenge is encouraging ND FFA members to design a pin that represents ND FFA. Your design could used to create a trading pin.

All designs must be submitted exactly as directed in the rules below. Once submitted, entries become the property of ND FFA, and the organization reserves the right to modify the final design as necessary to meet manufacturing specifications.

Eligibility

This contest is open to:

- All registered ND FFA members who are part of an active ND FFA chapter.
- Each member may submit one pin design.
- Members may work in a team, but the design will count as the only entry for all members on that team.

Deadline

- All designs must be received by the ND FFA State Office by March 1, 2025.
- Late entries will not be considered.
- Submit your design electronically to the QR code below or North Dakota FFA Pin Design.

Judging

A panel, including ND FFA State Office Staff, will evaluate all entries based on the following criteria:

- Full-color design that is visually appealing.
- Proper use of the FFA logo, following brand guidelines.
- Includes required wording: North Dakota 2025.
- Represents North Dakota agriculture and FFA in a unique way.
- Strong contrast and clarity for manufacturing.
- Limited to four solid colors (no gradients, shading, or excessive details).
- Potential appeal to members for trading at National Convention.

Rules

- Entries must be submitted in PDF format using professional design software (Illustrator or Photoshop), freehand drawings or designs created using online design programs.
- Limit of four solid colors in the design. Pins cannot feature gradients.
- Designs must be submitted in either of the two sizes below:
 - o Large version: Approximately 7" x 7"
 - o Small version: Approximately 1.5" x 1.5"

- The FFA emblem may be used but must follow the official FFA Brand Guidelines.
- Copyright laws must be followed—no copyrighted images or designs allowed.
- Submissions must include the following information in the email:
 - o Student's name (or names of all team members)
 - o School/FFA Chapter

Get Creative and Represent ND FFA!

This is your chance to design a pin that represents North Dakota FFA. Think about what makes ND agriculture and FFA unique and create a design that members will be proud to wear and trade.

We can't wait to see your creativity—start designing today!



Where's the ND FFA State Advisor?

Description

The ND FFA State Advisor has gone missing on our website, and we need your help to track her down! Each day during National FFA Week, we will post a riddle on the ND FFA social media pages, giving you a hint about where the hidden "Where's Waldo"-style image of the State Advisor is located.

The first person to find the image, scan the QR code, and follow the instructions will win a prize!

How to Play:

- 1. Check ND FFA social media each day of National FFA Week for the daily riddle.
- 2. Use the clue to search the ND FFA website and locate the hidden image of the State Advisor.
- 3. Once you find it, scan the QR code that appears with the image.
- 4. Follow the instructions on the QR code page to confirm your discovery.
- 5. Be the first to submit your find, and you win that day's prize!

Rules:

- You can only win once during FFA Week, so once you claim a prize, let others have a chance!
- The QR code will change daily, meaning you must find a new location each day.
- Clues will get harder as the week goes on, so be ready for a challenge!

Are You Up for the Hunt?

Put your detective skills to the test and help us find the missing ND FFA State Advisor! Follow our social media pages closely, and you could be one of our lucky winners!

Happy searching!



National FFA Week Implementation Guide

Description

National FFA's Implementation Guide is a large document where chapters can get lots of ideas for National FFA Week. Check it out here: <u>National FFA Week - National FFA Organization</u>.



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