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Please Review this Convention Packet Thoroughly!!!

To: **Delegate**
2017 Minnesota FFA Convention Representatives
From: Mrs. Tauszell
Date: April 11, 2017
Subject: 2017 Minnesota FFA Convention: **April 23rd – 25th**

Please find enclosed your 2017 Minnesota FFA Convention packet. Your selection is a result of the hard work, enthusiasm, and participation in Forest Lake FFA activities this year! Many of you will be attending as a result of qualifying in a Career Development Event, earning a Minnesota FFA Degree, or being selected to represent our chapter as a delegate.

This packet includes:

- CDE Practice Schedule
- Letter to Parents & Explanation of Fees
- Transportation Grid (Bring this with you to convention!)
- Convention Itinerary (Bring this with you to convention!)
- Map of the UofM St. Paul Campus (Bring this with you to convention!)
- Permission Slip & Code of Conduct/Code of Ethics Forms (Due April 18th)
- Letter to Parents of Minnesota FFA Degree Recipients (state degrees only)
- Directions to Mariucci Arena (state degrees only)

You **MUST** have official dress for convention! Official Dress is defined as: Official Chapter FFA Jacket, FFA tie or scarf, white dress shirt/blouse, black dress pants or skirt (AT KNEE LENGTH), black socks, black dress shoes. If you need any of these items see an advisor ASAP!

If you have qualified in a state CDE, we would expect that you would be practicing for your event! If you have not already done so, we would request that each of you make arrangements with your team and an advisor to prepare for your CDE. Students who are not practicing risk being dropped from the team. As advisors, we want to make sure that this is an educational experience for you.

Please give these forms to your parents to review. If you have questions or concerns, please see Mrs. Tauszell. Information may change so watch for updates. If you have special transportation requests OR cannot attend let Mrs. Tauszell know ASAP so that changes and updates can be made. All forms and fees are due to Mrs. Tauszell by Tuesday, **April 18th**.

Congratulations!!!

Balance Due to Forest Lake FFA: \$
(Checks can be made payable to Forest Lake High School)



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your son or daughter has qualified for a state Career Development Event, earned a Minnesota FFA Degree, or expressed interest in attending this year's Minnesota FFA Convention. The convention will be held on Sunday April 23rd, Monday April 24th and Tuesday April 25th on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota. While at the annual convention, FFA members will have the opportunity to compete in their respective CDE's, attend general sessions and leadership workshops, hear from a National FFA Officer.

The Forest Lake FFA chapter will send a small student delegation on Sunday, with the majority of the activities taking place on Monday and Tuesday. Groups attending the convention on Monday will leave at 6:00am from the High School Agriculture Department. The first group will return at approximately 2:30pm, while the other group will stay for the annual awards program and Minnesota FFA Degree ceremony and not return until 10:00pm (or possibly a bit later). The Tuesday group of members will leave at 6:30am, attend the program, and return at approximately 4:00pm. Please see the attached itinerary which will detail the travel arrangements for your student. *This itinerary may change!* If you need to make changes to this itinerary due to athletics or other conflicts please let Mrs. Tauszell know ASAP!

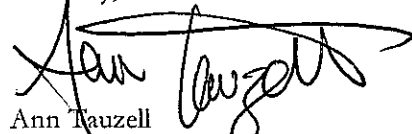
ALL students are expected to wear **official dress** to each function. Official dress consists of a white shirt or blouse, black slacks or skirt, black socks, black shoes, an FFA tie or scarf (which are available upon request), and an official FFA jacket. If your student does not have these items, please have them discuss their situation with one of the advisors. Due to Minnesota FFA policy, students without properly worn official dress WILL NOT be allowed admittance to the event.

Mr. Miron will chaperone the Sunday group and all agriculture teachers will be at convention Monday and Tuesday. The FFA chapter will be sponsoring the transportation and registration fees. FFA members, however, are responsible for some of their meals. Members leaving on the early bus Monday will be making a lunch stop at a restaurant. Students must bring their own money for this meal! Members staying on Monday will eat at CECC for \$6.50 and those students at convention on Tuesday will be eat at the Pizza Feed for \$6. The chapter will pay these costs up front; however we would ask that students please reimburse the chapter for the amount which is indicated on both the transportation list and cover memo. Members staying at convention for the Monday evening session should also bring money (\$10-\$15) for evening meal.

Please review the enclosed materials and have your student return the permission slip, money and code of conduct forms by Tuesday **April 18th**. If your student is UNABLE to attend, please contact an advisor ASAP in person, by phone, or email at atauzell@flschools.org. If you have any questions about this activity, please contact one of the FFA Advisors at 651-982-8495. If you need to reach your child while they are at the convention, contact Mike Miron on his cell phone at 651-402-6492.

We look forward to your child attending this exciting event. They are an outstanding representative of the Forest Lake FFA chapter and agricultural education students!

Sincerely,



Ann Tauszell
Agricultural Education Teacher

**Minnesota FFA Convention – 2017
Transportation**

Student Name	Sunday	Monday		Tuesday	Amount Due to Chapter
	Suburban Departs: 12:30am Returns: 4:45pm (approx) <i>Mr. Miron</i>	Bus Trip 1 Departs: 6:00am Returns: before 2:30pm <i>Mrs. Ward</i>	Bus Trip 2 Departs: 6:00am Returns: after 10pm <i>ALL</i>	Bus Departs: 6:30am Returns: 4pm <i>ALL</i>	
Ackerman, Grace	X		X	X	\$12.50
Anderson, Maria	X		X	X	\$12.50
Anderson, Rebecca	X		X	X	\$12.50
Bell, Peri			X		\$6.50
Boldt, Amanda		X			\$0.00
Dennler, Reese			X		\$6.50
Espinosa, Andrew	X		X	X	\$12.50
Hildreth, Samantha		X			\$0.00
Huset, Abby	X		X	X	\$12.50
Johnson, Callie			X		\$6.50
Kenneally, Patrick		X			\$0.00
Laflair, Cassidy			X		\$6.50
Maciej, Abby			X		\$6.50
Miron, Brynn	X		X	X	\$12.50
Moreno, Aleya		X			\$0.00
Moser, Shaya		X			\$0.00
Moua, Gina	X		X	X	\$12.50
Nelson, Mckenna	X		X	X	\$12.50
Niemczyk, Ben			X		\$6.50
Palmer, Megan	X		X	X	\$12.50
Parker, Sydney			X		\$6.50
Quillen, Kyra	X		X	X	\$12.50
Skarphol, Jenna	X		X	X	\$12.50
Stafford, Theresa			X	X	\$12.50
Strand, Cameron	X		X	X	\$12.50
Tietje, Kalley			X	X	\$12.50
Voltz, Laura			X		\$6.50
Wallner, Luke		X			\$0.00
Wesbrook, Paige			X		\$6.50
Youngmn, Abby	X		X	X	\$12.50
Zaudtke, Amanda			X		\$6.50
31	13	6	25	14	

Forest Lake FFA Chapter – Itinerary

Download the App
Search Minnesota FFA in the App Store

Sunday Events

Event	Members	Schedule
Registration	Mr. Miron	1:30-4:30pm: CECC lower lobby
Parliamentary Procedures	Megan Palmer Kyra Quillen McKenna Neslon Andrew Espinosa Cameron Strand Abby Huset	Test 3-4:30 CECC Courtyard
Conduct of Chapter Meetings	Maria Anderson Grace Ackerman Rebecca Anderson Abby Youngman Gina Moua Jenna Skarphol Brynn Miron	Test 3-4:30 CECC Courtyard
Farm Bureau Discussion Meet	Abby Huset	Orientation 1:30 Contest begins 2:00 CECC 42A&B, 52 Finals 3:30 CECC 42

Monday

Career Development Events (CDE's)

Event	Members	Schedule
Employment Skills	Megan Palmer	7:45am- Performance 11am McNeal 199
Small Animals	Abby Maciej Shaya Moser Aleya Moreno Laura Voltz Amanda Bolt-Alt	7:15am Northstar Ballroom (student center)
Parliamentary Procedure	Megan Palmer Kyra Quillen McKenna Nelson Andrew Espinosa Cameron Strand Abby Huset	7:45am – Performance 1:30 CECC 62 Holding room 83
Conduct of Chapter Meetings	Maria Anderson Grace Ackerman Rebecca Anderson Abby Youngman Gina Moua Jenna Skarphol Brynn Miron	7:45 am Performance 12:30 CECC 42B Holding room 83
Horse	Paige Wesbrook Samantha Hildreth Callie Johnson Jenna Skarphol	7:15 am MN State Fair Grounds – Ag Star Arena
Floral	Cassidy Lafleur Kalley Tietje Sydney Parker Peri Bell	7:15am Miracle of Birth Center
Dairy Evaluation	Amanda Zaudtke Patrick Kenneally Luke Wallner	7:15 am Coliseum
Crops	Ben Niemczyk Brynn Miron Maria Anderson Reese Dennler	7:15 am 140 Plant Growth

General Sessions and Workshops

Event	Members	Schedule
1 st General Session RA: Joe Ramstad <u>Land of Service Awards</u> <u>Aq Literacy Awards</u>	Theresa Stafford(Official Delegate) Kalley Tietje (Official Delegate) Amanda Boldt (Alternate Delegate) If the session is done, attend a workshop	8:15am: CECC 135
Workshop: The Power Train Teamwork Makes the Dream Work	Theresa Stafford Kalley Tietje Amanda Boldt Any other members who are done with their contests should attend a workshop.	10:00 am: CECC 135 11:30 am: CECC 77
Lunch: CECC	Members Staying Monday Night	12:30-1:00pm CECC
12:30pm ALL Members Leaving on the First Bus Returning to FL will meet at Continuing Education Conference Center – Cul-De-Sac		
2 nd General Session Key Note: Pakou Hang	Theresa Stafford(Official Delegate) Kalley Tietje (Official Delegate) Amanda Boldt (Alternate Delegate) If the session is done, attend a workshop Any other members who have completed their CDE and are riding the late bus should attend this session.	1:45pm: Mariucci We will travel by Campus Connector to Mariucci Arena
4:00pm OR at the Conclusion of your Schedule Event ALL Members still at the Convention will meet at Room 135 of the Continuing Education Conference Center!		
Annual Awards Night National Officer Address State Officer Advisor Recognition State Degree: Megan Palmer	All Members on Monday Night List Refer to Transportation Grid	6:30pm: Mariucci Arena

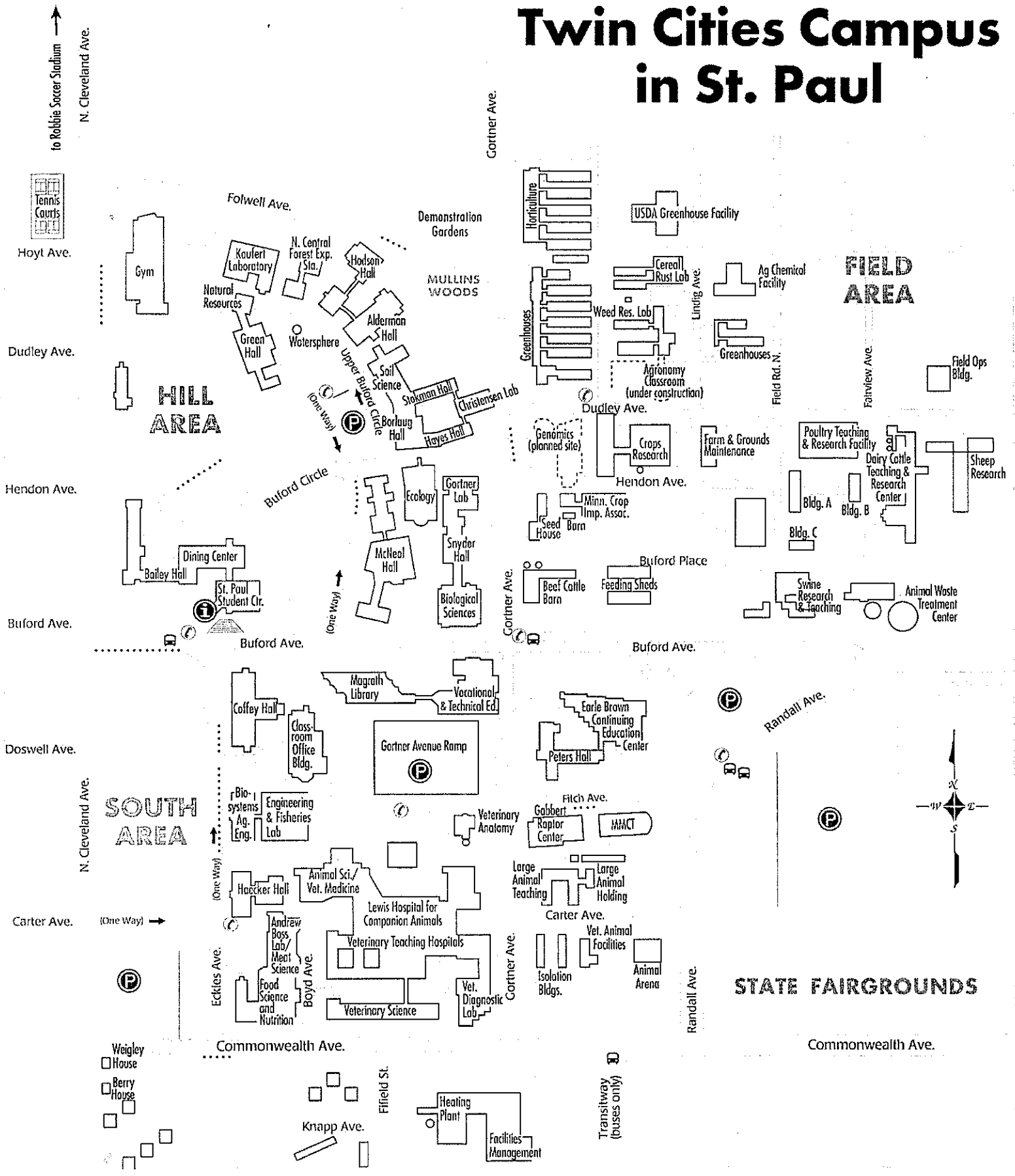
Tuesday

Career Development Events (CDE's)		
Event	Members	Schedule
Creed	Jenna Skarphol	7:45am- Performance 8:45 CECC 77
Parliamentary Procedure Finals (TBD)	Megan Palmer Kyra Quillen McKenna Nelson Andrew Espinosa Cameron Strand Madison Hegland	Student Center Theater
Conduct of Chapter Meetings Finals (TBD)	Maria Anderson Grace Ackerman Rebecca Anderson Abby Youngman Gina Moua Jenna Skarphol Brynn Miron	Student Center Theater

General Sessions and Workshops

Event	Members	Schedule
3 rd General Session	Theresa Stafford(Official Delegate) Kalley Tietje (Official Delegate) Amanda Boldt (Alternate Delegate) If the session is done attend the workshop.	8:30am: 135 CECC
Workshop: All IN Engage, Empower, Educate and Encourage	Theresa Stafford Kalley Tietje Amanda Boldt Any other members who are done with their contest should attend a workshop.	8:30 am: B30 CECC 166 9:30 am: Coffey 125
10:15am <i>ALL Members at the Convention will meet at Room 135 of the Continuing Education Conference Center!</i>		
Pizza Feed	<i>All Members</i>	10:45am: Mariucci Concourse Level
4 th and Final General Session <i>National Chapter Award Recognition & Top Ten Chapters</i> <i>Any Other CDE Teams</i> TBD	<i>All Members</i>	Noon: Mariucci Arena

Twin Cities Campus in St. Paul



↑ to Robbie Soccer Stadium
N. Cleveland Ave.

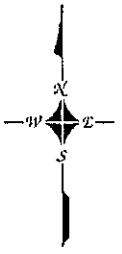
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FIELD AREA

HILL AREA

SOUTH AREA

STATE FAIRGROUNDS



- Weigley House
- Berry House

Transitway (buses only)

Hello Hello!

With state just around the corner we are in need of setting up some practice times. Below is a list of the dates that we would like your team to come in and spend some time practicing with us. Please try to make the designated date below. If you are unable to attend please let us know as soon as possible. Remember that there is a moodle site with practice materials on it for you to use. To access the site you can go to the Forest Lake FFA site then click on "CDE's", scroll down and click on "CDE Practice Materials". You will log in with your school ID and password and the enrollment key that you will want to use is "agriculture". If you need help please let us know!

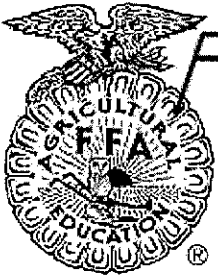
We are really excited about the possibilities of all our teams at state!!! State is April 23rd – 25th.

Meeting Location = The High School Ag Department 511

The Ag Teachers

CDE	Participant	Practice Time
Employment Skills Miron	Megan Palmer	See Miron
Creed Tauzell	Jenna Skarphol	See Tauzell
Farm Bureau Discussion Meet Tauzell	Abby Huset	See Tauzell
Floriculture Ward	Cassidy Laflair Sydney Parker Peri Bell Kalley Tietje	Continue Practicing
Small Animals Ward	Abby Maciej Shay Moser Amanda Boldt-ALT Laura Volts Aleya Moreno	After school @ 2:30
Parliamentary Procedure Miron	Megan Palmer Kyra Quillen McKenna Nelson Andrew Espinosa Cameron Strand Abby Huset	Thursdays at 7:00 am
Horse Ward	Samantha Hildreth Paige Wesbrook Callie Johnson Jenna Skarphol	After school @ 2:30
Dairy Tauzell	Amanda Zaudtke Patrick Kenneally Luke Wallner	Contact Amanda with your availability to meet at the Daninger Farm
Conduct of Chapter Meetings Miron	Maria Anderson Grace Ackerman Rebecca Anderson Abby Youngman Sophie Keis Jenna Skarphol Brynn Miron	Tuesdays after School

If you have a conflict with the scheduled practice times and still plan to attend convention, talk to the advisor assigned to your CDE.



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FFA Activity Permission Slip

Student Name: _____ Gr. _____ Date(s): _____

Reason for Absence: Minnesota FFA Convention (April 23-25) – School Field Trip

STUDENTS: YOU are responsible to make up all work missed during this absence. If at all possible, you should make an attempt to turn in required work before the absence.

You child may want to bring money to purchase additional food.

Students MUST be in COMPLETE official dress!!! Official dress includes: an FFA jacket, a white shirt/blouse, black pants/skirt, black socks, black shoes, and an official FFA tie/scarf.

If you have any questions please call the Agriculture Department at: 651-982-8495

Or e-mail:

Mr. Miron at mmiron@flaschools.org
Mrs. Ward at vward@flaschools.org
Mrs. Tauzell at atauzell@flashools.org

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

I agree to abide by the National FFA Organization Code of Ethics & Code of Conduct while at this FFA activity. The complete Code of Ethics and Rules of Conduct agreements can be found on the back of this form.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

This Form MUST be completed before attending the event!!!



National FFA Organization Code of Ethics & Rules of Conduct

FFA CODE OF ETHICS

We will conduct ourselves at all times in a manner that presents a positive image of our organization, our school, and our community by:

1. Dressing neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
2. Showing respect for the rights of others and being courteous to everyone at all times.
3. Being honest and not taking unfair advantage of others.
4. Respecting the property and rights of others.
5. Refraining from loud, boisterous talk, profanity and other unbecoming conduct.
6. Demonstrating sportsmanship in the showing, judging arenas, and meetings. Showing modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
7. Arriving at meetings on time and respecting the opinions of others in discussion.
8. Taking pride in our organization, in our activities, in our supervised agricultural experience programs, in our exhibits, and in the careers in agriculture.
9. Sharing with other's experiences and knowledge gained by attending National and State meetings.
10. State Law prohibits smoking in public meeting rooms.

RULES OF CONDUCT

I have read the rules of conduct, understand them, and I will abide by them. I will accept the authority of the supervisors and advisors in charge of the trip. I will attend the all scheduled events and make arrangements to report back to my chapter. I will be courteous at all times and respect the rights of other members. I will care for campus / accommodations property and respect the rights of others while at FFA events. I will not purchase, use, or have in my possession any kind of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or other chemical substances. If away from home, I will be in my room and remain there after curfew time, and I will be dressed and out of my room by the time designated by the advisor for each day.

I understand that any infraction of these rules will be grounds for my participation in the trip to be terminated and for me to be sent home at my parent's / guardian's expense. I pledge to attend the activities marked in this program. Members violating or ignoring rules of proper conduct at the convention will be subject to disciplinary action and dismissal. Violations of the Code of Ethics or Rules of Conduct will be reported to local school administrators for disciplinary action.