



Los Banos Ag Boosters Information Packet

Los Banos Ag Boosters purpose is:
to promote and support the FFA Chapters of Los Banos and Pacheco High School

OUR SUPPORT:

NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION/WASHINGTON DC ANNUAL TRIP

Los Banos Ag Boosters supports the Los Banos FFA and Pacheco FFA Chapters in sending students to the National FFA Convention annually. This trip is earned as a combined effort between the FFA member and parents/volunteers/supporters. Selection criteria are outlined below.

Initial Selection:

1. Students must be attributed by parent/volunteer/supporter with a minimum of 400 Booster Points during the school year.
2. Students must earn a minimum of 1,000 points from the FFA student activity list during the current school year to be eligible for the trip. Rollover points in the amount of 10% of points earned from extra points from the prior year will be included towards the 1,000 point minimum.
3. Grades
 - a. Minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA upon completion of the third quarter of the current school year.
4. Must be a FFA Member at Los Banos High School or Pacheco High School.
5. There is no exception to the above criteria.

Upon Selection As A National Convention Chapter Delegate:

1. Students will be notified of their selection at their FFA Chapter's Awards Banquet
2. Students will receive notice of a mandatory meeting that must be attended by the student and an adult representative, during which they will receive additional trip information and requirements. Failure to attend this meeting

or comply with the requirements set forth in this meeting will result in forfeiture of their spot on the trip.

Final Selection:

1. A second grade check will be completed using first quarter grades or, if those grades have not yet been submitted, grades at two weeks prior to date of departure will be used. The following guidelines must be met:
 - a. Minimum GPA of 2.5
 - b. Must be enrolled in an Ag Class at Los Banos High School or Pacheco High School
 - c. Must not have an "F" in any Ag class currently taking

***If the selected student does not meet the above grade requirements, they forfeit their spot and an alternate student, who does meet the above requirements, will be selected in their place

2. There is no exception to the above criteria for current high school students (special exception made for graduated students)
3. All payments made by accompanying adults are NON-REFUNDABLE
4. If for any reason, a student can not attend the trip (personal or failure to meet requirements), any adult accompanying them, that also chooses not to attend, will lose all trip payments. The trip is NON-REFUNDABLE!

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Los Banos Ag Boosters awards multiple \$500.00 scholarships to eligible FFA graduating seniors. The availability of this scholarship and the number of recipients depends on available funds and will be determined by the Ag Booster Board annually. Eligibility criteria are outlined below.

Applicant Requirements:

1. Must be an active member of Los Banos FFA or Pacheco FFA Chapter
2. Must plan to attend a 2-year or 4-year college or a vocational/trade school
3. Must enroll as a full time student (12 semester units for a 2-year or 4-year college)
4. Required Minimum GPA as of 3rd quarter grades: 3.0 in AG classes; 2.75 cumulative overall
5. Must be enrolled in an Ag class for 3 years
6. Copy of transcripts must be provided
7. Minimum of 400 Booster Points attributed to student for a minimum of 3 years

Application Procedure:

1. Applications are due on the date set by Ag Instructors
2. Complete an oral interview

Scholarship Selection Committee:

Los Banos Ag Booster Board Members will conduct the interviews and select the recipients; outside Ag Community members may be included if necessary.

Scholarship funds Disbursement:

Upon proof of enrollment in a college or trade/vocational school, a check will be mailed to the recipient

SENIOR HIGH POINT SCHOLARSHIP

Los Banos Ag Boosters awards a \$250.00 scholarship to one graduating senior from each of the high schools who have the highest combined student activity point tally over their entire 4 years with Los Banos FFA or Pacheco FFA.

Requirements:

1. Must plan to attend a 2-year or 4-year college or a vocational/trade school
2. Must enroll as a full time student (12 semester units for a 2-year or 4-year college)

Scholarship funds Disbursement:

Upon proof of enrollment in a college or trade/vocational school, a check will be mailed to the recipient

HIGH POINT TRIP

Los Banos Ag Boosters funds a high point trip for each FFA Chapter awarded to the top FFA activity point earners for the given year. The trip is funded for up to 20 students from each school. These student activity points are awarded, calculated and recorded by the Ag teachers.

FARM SHOW BUSING

Los Banos Ag Boosters funds a bus for each FFA Chapter to take FFA members to the World Ag Expo- Tulare Farm Show for the day to learn about all areas of Agriculture.

WELCOME BAR-BE-QUE AT BOTH SCHOOLS

Los Banos Ag Boosters hosts a welcome bar-be-que at each school for the first FFA/Los Banos Ag Boosters meeting of the year. The boosters plan, organize, purchase, cook and serve the meal.

FFA AWARDS BANQUET DINNERS FOR BOTH SCHOOLS

Los Banos Ag Boosters funds and helps prepare the dinners for each school's award banquet held at the end of the year.

MEALS/DRINKS FOR FFA MEMBERS AT MAY DAY FAIR

Los Banos Ag Boosters funds breakfast and lunch daily for four days of the Merced County Spring Fair and provides ice chests of drinks for the FFA members for the entire week of the Fair. (Based on approval by Fair Officials)

OUR FUNDRAISING:

SPONSORSHIPS

Los Banos Ag Boosters accepts sponsorships from individuals and businesses. All sponsors will be recognized at our events and their names will be displayed. We have three levels of sponsorship.

1. Gold Level Sponsor: \$1000.00 sponsorship- sponsor receives a Los Banos Ag Boosters Sponsor hat, two Chicken Rigatoni Dinner tickets, two Dinner Dance tickets, two Dinner Dance drink tickets and recognition
2. Silver Level Sponsor: \$500.00 sponsorship- sponsor receives a Los Banos Ag Boosters Sponsor hat, two Dinner Dance tickets and recognition
3. Bronze Level Sponsor: \$300.00 sponsorship- sponsor receives a Los Banos Ag Boosters Sponsor hat and recognition

CHICKEN RIGATONI DRIVE-THRU DINNER

DINNER DANCE WITH SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION

DONATIONS

BOOSTER POINTS EXPLANATION

Los Banos Ag Booster's trips and scholarships are awarded with a large part of eligibility based on FFA student activity points and booster point requirements. Both student and parent/volunteer/sponsor must earn required points to be eligible for their student to be considered for trips and scholarships. Booster points are calculated and recorded by the Los Banos Ag Boosters Point Coordinator.

A minimum of 400 booster points must be earned by the parent/volunteer/sponsor for the student to be eligible for the FFA Convention/DC trip. A maximum of 600 booster points will be applied to the point total when calculating winners of the trip. It is most beneficial for the student if the parent/volunteer/sponsor earns the maximum of 600 points, as those points will be added to the student's FFA activity points to obtain a total amount of points earned to determine the winners.

A minimum of 400 booster points must be earned 3 of the 4 years a student attends high school by the parent/volunteer/sponsor for the student to be eligible to apply for the scholarship.

It does not have to be a parent that earns booster points for their student. Any person can volunteer/sponsor on behalf of a student to contribute booster points towards that student. However, that volunteer/sponsor must declare on the work sign-in/out sheet, for the event they are volunteering for, which student their earned points should be attributed to.

In the case of multiple children active in FFA within one family, booster points are applied to all children. (Ex. Dad and Mom have two students in the FFA program and volunteer and collectively earn 600 booster points, the 600 points apply to both children, Dad and Mom do not have to earn another 600 points for the second student)

PARENTS/VOLUNTEERS/SPONSORS EARN POINTS BY:

1. **Attending Los Banos Ag Boosters meetings** (10 points each parent/volunteer/sponsor)
2. **Working at any event-** Welcome Back BBQ, Rigatoni Dinner, Dinner Dance, Sweetheart Balloon FFA Fundraiser, Merced County Spring Fair, FFA Awards Banquets (20 points per hour)
3. **Committee Chairperson** (200 points with an additional 20 points per hour worked over 8 hours)

Examples: Chicken Rigatoni Drive Thru Dinner kitchen leader, Dinner Dance kitchen leader, Dinner Dance BBQ leader, Dinner Dance silent auction leader, Dinner Dance dessert auction leader.

4. **Ticket sales** (10 points for each Chicken Rigatoni Dinner Drive Thru ticket sold and 20 points for each Dinner Dance ticket sold)

5. **Sponsorships** (75 points for Gold Sponsorship, 50 points for Silver Sponsorship, 25 points for Bronze Sponsorship)
6. **Donating items for events-** auction items (10 points for every \$25 value/worth- ex. Item donated that is valued at \$100 earns 40 points)
7. **Miscellaneous Full Year Positions-** Booster Points Coordinator (400 points), Social Media Coordinator (400 points), Computer Tech Coordinator (400 points)
8. **Miscellaneous Events, Activities or Opportunities-** Different things that arise throughout the year that the board will let the membership know about and give information
9. **Rollover Points-** 10% of the maximum of 600 points earned will be rolled over to begin the next year, so a maximum of 60 points are possible for rollover each year.

SIGN IN/OUT SHEET: You must sign in/out clearly at each event to receive Booster Points, this is how Booster Points for events are calculated and recorded

CHICKEN RIGATONI DINNER DRIVE THRU SIGN IN/OUT - 10/21/24							
PARENT NAME	PARENT PHONE #	STUDENT NAME	GRADE	SCHOOL (Circle One)	PARENT SIGNATURE	SIGN IN TIME	SIGN OUT TIME
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The Booster Points Coordinator calculates and keeps record of all Booster Points throughout the year. Points totals will be available for review at each Ag Boosters meeting following the event. It is the parent/volunteer/sponsor's responsibility to review their total and notify the Booster Points Coordinator of any discrepancy within 30 days (or 1 meeting) from when the point totals are posted at the meeting.



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