

## **2025-2026 Nebraska FFA Dates**

### **August 1, 2025**

New membership year opens. If your chapter is interested in Affiliated Membership, request that in FFA.org *before* adding any members to your chapter roster.

### **August 6, 2025**

Membership for State Fair Opens

\*Note: If a current FFA member is on the 2024-2025 FFA roster, that individual does NOT need to be early added to next year's roster prior to exhibiting at the 2025 Fair. Any incoming new member, including 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade members, *MUST* be *early added* to the 2025-26 chapter roster between August 6-15, 2025 in order to exhibit. Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders are NOT allowed to exhibit in the FFA division of Nebraska State Fair.

### **August 10, 2025 8 PM CST**

State Fair Livestock, Poultry, Rabbits Entries Due

### **August 15, 2025**

Membership for State Fair Due

\*Note: Do not send in payment for these members. Pay membership dues with all of the other membership dues by November 14, 2025.

### **August 18, 2025**

Chapter in Good Standing Information out to Advisors

Governor's Award of Excellence (NIFA Grants) Open

### **August 20, 2025 8 PM CST**

State Fair Static Exhibit Entries Due

### **August 29-September 2, 2025**

Nebraska State Fair - FFA Weekend

State Dairy Judging Event *August 30*

State Milk Quality and Products Event *August 30*

### **August 27, 2025**

Launch! Kickoff Event in the Engler space on East Campus, Lincoln (By Invitation Only)

**September 9 - 11, 2025**

Husker Harvest Days

**September 23, 2025**

Ignite (Young Member Leadership Conference for 7-9 grade FFA members),  
Norfolk, NECC Lifelong Learning Center

**September 24, 2025**

Ignite (Young Member Leadership Conference for 7-9 grade FFA members),  
Kearney - Younes Conference North

**September 30, 2025**

Chapter in Good Standing Items Due  
Governor's Award of Excellence (NIFA Grants) Due

**October 6, 2025**

Pathways to Careers Conference Registration Opens

**October 24, 2025**

Pathways to Careers Conference Registration Closes

**October 29 - November 1, 2025**

National FFA Convention

**November 7, 2025**

Pathways to Careers Conference and Ag Ed Symposium  
Kearney, Younes North

**District Leadership Development Events**

Varies by District. Planning form due to the state office 2 weeks before the event.

**November 14, 2025**

Membership dues payments Due

**December 3, 2025**

State Convention Chorus Application Opens  
State Convention Talent Application Opens

**TBD**

Launch! Winter Booster in the Engler space on East Campus, Lincoln (By Invitation Only)

**December 17, 2025**

State Convention Chorus Application and Instructor Recommendation Due

**January 16-17, 2026**

Nebraska FFA Alumni & Supporters Conference, Valentine

**January 21, 2026**

State Convention Talent Application Due

**January 28, 2026 7-8PM CT**

Optional State Officer Candidate Informational Zoom Meeting

**February 2, 2026**

Delegate Items Submitted

**February 13, 2026 Noon CST**

State FFA Officer Applications Due

State Advancing Proficiency Applications Due in AET

State Proficiency Review Names submitted by FFA Board Reps

State Agriscience Research Program Applications Due

Ag Issues Academy Applications Due

State Degree List submitted in AET by FFA Board Reps

State Advancing State Star Applications Due in AET

State Competitor LDE Manuscripts and Employment Skills Documents Due

**February 20, 2026**

State Review of Agriscience Research Program Applications, Kearney

FFA Board Meeting, Kearney

**February 21, 2026**

State Review Proficiency Applications, Kearney

**February 22 - 28, 2026**

National FFA Week

**March 2, 2026 Noon CST**

National Chapter Applications Due

Honorary State Degree Nominations Due

Cornerstone Award Nominations Due

NIFA Grant Recipients Summary Due

Bios due for Star Finalists

Hall of Chapters Submission

**March 3, 2026**

Phase 1 Convention Registration Opens at Noon Central

**March 9, 2026**

Phase 1 Convention Registration Closes at 5:00 PM Central

**March 11, 2026**

Phase 2 Convention Registration Opens at Noon Central

**March 13, 2026**

Phase 2 Convention Registration Closes at 5:00 PM Central

**March 11 - 13, 2026**

State FFA Officer Preliminary Interviews, Kearney

**March 13, 2026, Noon CST**

American Degrees Submitted in AET for National FFA Preliminary Review

**March 25-27, 2026**

State FFA Convention

**April 15, 2026 Noon CST**

COLT Registration Opens at Noon CST

**April 30, 2026 11:59 PM CST**

COLT Registration Closes

American Degree Applications Due

American Star Applications Due

**May 2026**

COLT Conference

Session 1 May 21-22

Session 2 May 25-26

Session 3 May 27-28

Session 4 May 29-30

**June 5, 2026**

American Degree Edits Due

**June 15, 2026**

National Advancing Proficiency, Agriscience Fair, and National Chapter Applications due in AET

State Fair Animal Nomination Deadline