

# 81<sup>st</sup> State FFA Convention

## At-A-Glance

**TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010**

- 1:00 pm**    **Nominating Committee Orientation** *Hickman Hall, Room 117*  
Ms. Rebecca Schnetzer, Adult Coordinator and Ms. Annaliese Gancarz, New Jersey FFA Executive Committee
- 1:00 – 3:00 pm**    **Convention Practice**  
State Officers
- 1:30 pm**    **Registration set up**  
*Lippincott Residence Hall*  
Ms. Susan Butch, Facilities Coordinator
- 2:00 – 4:00 pm**    **Agricultural Education Advisory Council Meeting**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 127*
- 2:00 – 4:00 pm**    **Registration**  
*Lippincott Residence Hall*
- 2:00 – 5:00 pm**    **Recreation** – Optional for Early Arrivals - Cook/ Douglass Recreation Center  
*Swimming, basketball & volleyball*
- 3:00 pm**    **Talent Meeting/Practice**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 138*  
(mandatory for all talent)
- 3:00 pm**    **Official Ceremonies CDE**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 119*  
Mr. Brian Dalbow, Coordinator
- 3:00 pm**    **FFA Quiz Bowl**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 101*  
Ms. Heather White, Coordinator
- 3:00 pm**    **Leadership Workshops**  
**“The A-Game of Public Speaking”**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 101*  
Ms. Alison Keggan
- “To College and Beyond”**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 130*  
Ms. Keely Weinberger
- 4:00 pm**    **Agricultural Issues Forum CDE** *Hickman Hall, Room 131*  
Mr. Frank Minch, Coordinator
- 4:00 pm**    **Courtesy Corps Meeting**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 138*  
Mr. Chris Nnadi, Coordinator

- 4:00 pm**    **Portable Exhibit Set Up**  
*Hickman Hall, First Floor Hall*
- 4:00 pm**    **Landscape Design set-up by finalists**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 123*
- 4:00 pm**    **State Officer Candidates and Nominating Committee Meeting**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 117*
- 5:00 –**        **Dinner –Nominating Committee**  
**5:30 pm**    *Neilson Dining Hall*
- 5:00 –**        **Dinner – Neilson Dining Hall**  
**5:45 pm**
- 5:30 pm**    **Star Placement Interviews**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 131*  
Mr. Randy Trivette, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Judging of Applications**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 129*  
(Public Relations, Secretary of the Year, and Treasurer of the Year)  
Mr. Bill Walker, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Judging of Applications**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 130*  
(Agricultural Awareness and Scrapbook)  
Mr. Brian Bass, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Judging of Portable Exhibits** *Hickman Hall, First Floor Hall*  
Ms. Kari Schoenlank, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Judging of Art Competition**  
*Hickman Hall, First Floor Hall*  
Mrs. Allison Mains, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Landscape Design**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 123*  
Mrs. Jan Traynor, Coordinator
- 6:00 pm**    **Leadership Workshop**  
“All for the Prize”  
*Hickman Hall, Room 101*  
Mrs. Angela Mayfield
- 6:00 pm**    **Delegate Workshop**  
*Hickman Hall, Room 138*  
Ms. Hanna Toft & Ms. Brianne Scholl
- 6:00 pm**    **Agricultural Education Teachers/Chaperones Meeting** *Hickman Hall, Room 119*  
Mrs. Nancy Trivette, Ms. Sue Butch and Mr. John Neyhart
- 7:15 pm**    **Delegates Seated**
- 7:15 pm**    **Courtesy Corps Meeting**

**7:30 pm**    **SESSION I**  
**“IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES”**  
**HICKMAN HALL, RM. 138**  
**Presiding: *Hanna Toft***  
***State FFA President***

**Opening Ceremony**

**Introduction of Guests**

**Welcome to Rutgers University**

Dr. Mark Robson, Dean of Agricultural and Urban Programs, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

**Greetings from the New Jersey Department of Agriculture**

Honorable Douglas H. Fisher,  
Secretary of Agriculture

**Blue Jackets. Bright Futures.**

FFA Jacket Presentation

**Keynote Address**

“Dream Big, Nosepickers”  
Mrs. Angela Mayfield

**Introduction of State Officer Candidates and Nominating Committee**

**New Jersey FFA Alumni Report**

-WLC Scholarship  
-FFA Quiz Bowl Awards  
Mr. Chris Nnadi, NJ FFA Alumni  
President

**2010 New Jersey FFA Scholarship Presentations** - Sponsored through  
New Jersey FFA Foundation through  
Special Projects

- New Jersey FFA Alumni Scholarship
- Harry S. Schnieber Memorial Scholarship
- John Cummings Memorial Scholarship
- Kenneth Harding Memorial Scholarship
- Devin Yurga Memorial Scholarship
- Washington Grange #117 Scholarship
- Taylor Jelliffe Scholarship
- Norman J. Schnetzer Memorial Scholarship
- C. Fred Lorenzo Scholarship
- Phillip Alampi Memorial Scholarship
- Stephen A. Tucker Scholarship
- William G. Smith Memorial Scholarship
- Roszel Scholarship
- Robert Goff Memorial Scholarship
- Ed Evaul Memorial Scholarship
- Woodstown Alumni Association/Arthur Jarman Memorial Scholarship
- May L. Gerlack Memorial Scholarship
- Lee Courter Memorial Scholarship
- Joshua Geary Memorial Scholarship

**National FFA Scholarship Recognition**

## **National FFA Convention Scholarship**

### **Greetings from the National FFA Organization**

Mr. Levy Randolph, National FFA President

### **“Pieces of the Puzzle”**

*Retiring Address*

Ms. Allison Karr, State Sentinel  
Special Recognition

### **Introduction of Courtesy Corps**

Mr. Chris Nnadi, Coordinator

### **State Convention Rules**

### **Closing Ceremony**

**9:30 – Recreation & Ice Cream Social**  
**10:30 pm** *Cook/Douglass Recreation Center*

**11:00 pm** **Lights Out**

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2010**

**7:00 – Breakfast – Neilson Dining Hall**  
**8:00 am** (use meal card)

**7:30 am** **State Officer Meeting**

**8:15 am** **Delegates Seated**  
**Courtesy Corps Meeting**

**8:30 am** **SESSION II**  
**“INSPIRE SUCCESS”**  
**HICKMAN HALL, RM. 138**  
*Presiding: Brianne Scholl*  
*State Vice President*

### **Opening Ceremony**

### **Introduction of Guests**

### **Greetings from the New Jersey Department of Education**

Mrs. Marie Barry, Director, Office of Career and Technical Education

**Official Ceremonies Event Awards** Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Landscape Design Event Awards** Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

### **NJ FFA Foundation Report**

Mr. Frank Yesalavich, Chair

### **Essay Event Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

### **FFA Week Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**“Risk Taking IS What it’s Cracked Up to Be”**

*Retiring Address*

Jessica Voll, State Secretary

Special Recognition

**Career Development Event Awards**

*(Recipients please sit in designated areas)*

*The NJ FFA Association and NJ FFA Foundation fund banners and medals for all first place teams and individuals. The National FFA Foundation sponsors plaques.*

*Dairy Foods*

*Dairy Handlers’*

*Farm Business Management*

*Floral Design*

*Forestry*

*Fruits & Vegetables*

*Horse Evaluation*

*Land Judging*

*Poultry Evaluation*

*Turf Management*

**Horticultural Exposition Best of Division Recognition**

**Art Competition Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Agriscience Teacher of the Year**

Sponsored by National FFA

**Agriscience Fair Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**Closing Ceremony**

**10:00 am PUBLIC SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS**

*Members and guests should select and attend one of following public speaking events:*

**Creed Event**

*Hickman Hall, Room 119*

Mr. Chad Ripberger, Coordinator

**3-5 Minute Public Speaking**

*Hickman Hall, Room 138*

Mr. Chris Nnadi, Coordinator

**6-8 Minute Public Speaking**

*Hickman Hall, Room 101*

Mr. Dale Cruzan, Coordinator

**Extemporaneous Speaking**

*Hickman Hall, Room 123*

Mrs. Liz Thompson, Coordinator

**10:00 am COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Hort Expo Review and Evaluation**

*Hickman Hall, Room 115*

State Officer: Jessica Voll

Advisor: Mr. Mike Butler

**Constitution, Bylaws and Program of Activities**

*Hickman Hall, Room 127*

State Officer: Hanna Toft

Advisor: Mrs. Denise Emmons

**State Leadership Activities and State Convention Evaluation**

*Hickman Hall, Room 114*

State Officer: Brianne Scholl

Advisor: Ms. Robin McLean

**Membership and Chapter Relations**

*Hickman Hall, Room 130*

State Officer: Allison Karr

Advisor: Mrs. Nan Hamilton

**CDE Review and Evaluation**

*Hickman Hall, Room 129*

State Officer: Eric Nelson

Advisor: Mrs. Patty Thorne

**State FFA Applications**

*Hickman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flr. Rm. 211*

State Officer: Keely Weinberger

Advisor: Mr. Joel Rudderow

**11:45 am Lunch** - *Neilson Dining Hall*  
(use meal card)

**12:30 – 2:30 pm Recreation** – *Cook/Douglass Recreation Center*  
*Swimming, basketball & volleyball*

**12:50 pm Tractor Driving Event**  
*Meet at Neilson Dining Hall*  
Mr. Jay Rupell, Coordinator

**1:00 pm Job Interview Event**  
*Hickman Hall, Rooms 129*  
Mrs. Natalie Huebler, Coordinator

**1:00 pm Charles C. Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Event** *Hickman Hall, Room 101*  
Mrs. Liz Thompson, Coordinator

**1:00 pm Individual Demonstration Event**

*Hickman Hall, Room 114*  
Ms. Desiree Beam, Coordinator

**1:00 pm Team Demonstration Event**

*Hickman Hall, Room 119*  
Ms. Kari Schoenlank, Coordinator

**1:00 pm Leadership Workshops**  
**“Get Online with Leadership”**

*Hickman Hall, Room 201*  
Ms. Keely Weinberger

**“Global Agriculture”**

*Hickman Hall, Room 101*  
Mr. Dale Cruzan

**1:00 pm DELEGATE BUSINESS SESSION\***

*Hickman Hall, Room 138*

*Presiding:*

Ms. Hanna Toft, State President

*Roll Call:*

Ms. Jessica Voll, State Secretary

*Dues Proposal:*

Mr. Eric Nelson, State Treasurer

*National FFA Constitutional Amendment Proposal 1:*

Ms. Brienne Scholl, State Vice President

*State FFA Association Constitutional Amendment Proposals:*

Ms. Allison Karr, State Sentinel

*State FFA Association Bylaws Amendment Proposals:*

Mr. Eric Nelson, State Treasurer

*Business Session Concludes*

*\*Delegate business session will continue after Session IV if needed*

**2:30 pm SESSION III**

**“INSPIRE GROWTH”**

**HICKMAN HALL, RM. 138**

Presiding: *Allison Karr*

*State Sentinel*

**Opening Ceremony**

**Introduction of Guests**

**Public Speaking Awards**

**-Creed Speaking**

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New Jersey FFA Foundation and  
National FFA Foundation

**-3-5 Minute Public Speaking**

Sponsored by

New Jersey Farm Bureau

**-6-8 Minute Public Speaking**

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New Jersey FFA Foundation,  
National FFA Foundation and  
New Jersey Farm Bureau

**-Extemporaneous Speaking**

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National FFA Foundation

**Greetings from New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators**

Mr. John Neyhart, NJAAE President

**Agricultural Awareness Awards** Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Chapter Scrapbook Awards**

Sponsored by New Jersey Agricultural Education Association

**Portable Exhibit Event Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**“Uncertainty Guaranteed”**

*Retiring Address*

Mr. Eric Nelson, State Treasurer

Special Recognition

**New Jersey FFA Treasurer of the Year Award**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**New Jersey FFA Secretary of the Year Award**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**Public Relations Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Presentation**

First Place Prepared 6-8 Minute Public Speaker

**Career Development Event Awards**

*(Recipients please sit in designated areas)*

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*Agricultural Issues*

*Agricultural Mechanics*

*Agricultural Sales*

*Agronomy*

*Dairy Cattle*

*Environmental/Natural Resources*

*Floriculture*

*Livestock*

*Meat Evaluation*



*Nursery/Landscape*

**National Sweepstakes Recognition**

- Chapter
- Individual

**Princeton Agricultural Association Leadership Award**

**H.O. Sampson Award Program Recognition**

**Closing Ceremony**

**5:00 –  
7:00 pm**

**BANQUET**

**“INSPIRE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE”**

**NEILSON DINING HALL**

Presiding: *Hanna Toft,*  
*State President*

**Opening Ceremony**

Presented by 1st place  
Official Ceremonies Team

**Greetings from the Office of Agricultural Education**

Mrs. Nancy J. Trivette, State Program Leader, Agricultural Education/State  
FFA Advisor

**FFA Creed**

Presented by 1st Place Contestant

**NJ FFA Member of the Month & Member of the Year Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**8,000 Hour Challenge Recognition**

**Outstanding Community Service Award**

Sponsored by New Jersey FFA Foundation

**Statewide Community Service Recognition**

**Greetings from the Atlantic City Rescue Mission**

Ms. Kathy Schmookler, Development Association & Volunteer Program  
Manager

**NJ FFA Advisor of the Year Award** Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Superior Teacher Recognition**

**7:15 pm**

**Delegates seated  
Courtesy Corps Meeting**

**7:30 pm**

**SESSION IV**

**“INSPIRE LEADERSHIP”**

**HICKMAN HALL, RM. 138**

Presiding: *Jessica Voll,*

*State Secretary*

**Opening Ceremony**

**Introduction of Guests**

**Charles C. Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Awards** Sponsored  
by NJ FFA Foundation

**Keynote Address**

“Stay Hungry. Stay Humble.”

Mr. Levy Randolph, National FFA President

**American FFA Degree Candidate Recognition**

**Honorary Garden State FFA Degree Ceremony**

**40 Years of Women in the FFA**

Mrs. Margie Hurley, Past State FFA Officer

**“We’re Diving In”**

*Retiring Address*

Brianne Scholl, State Vice President

Special Recognition

**Tractor Driving Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Job Interview Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**Demonstration Event Awards**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**National FFA Officer Candidates Introductions**

**Annual Report of New Jersey FFA Association**

**Closing Ceremony**

**9:30 pm Delegate Business Session**

*(if needed)*

**9:30 – FFA Dance, Douglass College**

**11:30 pm Center** *(All Members Must Attend)*

**12:00 am Lights Out**

**THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2010**

**7:00 – Breakfast - Neilson Dining Hall**

**8:00 am** (meal card)

**8:15 am Delegates seated**  
**Courtesy Corps Meeting**

**8:30 am SESSION V**  
**“MAKE A LASTING IMPACT”**  
**HICKMAN HALL, RM.138**  
Presiding: *Eric Nelson, State Treasurer*

**Opening Ceremony**

**Introduction of Guests**

**Star State Chapter Agribusiness**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Star State Chapter Placement**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Star State Greenhand**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Standing Committee Reports**

- Hort Expo Review and Evaluation
- CDE Review and Evaluation
- Constitution, Bylaws & Program of Activities
- State Leadership Activities and State Convention Evaluation
- State Applications
- Membership and Chapter Relations

**Chapter Evaluation Awards**

- Superior Chapter Recognition
- National Emblem Chapters  
Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation
- Most Improved Chapter Sponsored by NJ FFA Foundation

**State Officer Advisor and School Administrator Recognition**

**State Proficiency Award Presentations**

Sponsored through National FFA Foundation

**Best Dressed Chapter Award**

**Greetings from NJDA Division of Agricultural and Natural Resources**

Ms. Monique Purcell, Division Director

**Distinguished Service Awards**

**Convention Recognition**

- Convention Assistants
- Stage Decorations
- Courtesy Corps

**State FFA Executive Board Recognition**

**Reflections “Imagine. Inspire. Impact.”**

***Garden State FFA Degree Recipients***

*(please sit in designated seating)*

**Garden State FFA Degree Ceremony**

Sponsored by NJ FFA Association

**Star State Placement Award**

Sponsored by National FFA Foundation

**“Trip Around the Sun”**

*Retiring Address*

Ms. Hanna Toft, State President

Special Recognition

**Nominating Committee Report**

Nominating Committee Chair

**Election of 2010 – 2011**

**New Jersey FFA Officers**

**“A Tradition of Excellence”**

Past New Jersey State FFA Officer Presentation

**Installation of 2010 – 2011**

**New Jersey FFA Officers**

**81<sup>st</sup> State FFA Convention in Review**

**Remarks by 2010 – 2011**

**State FFA President**

**11:00 am Closing Ceremony**

**11:15 am 2010 – 2011 Officer Team Photo**

*Hickman Hall, Room 138*

**11:30 am Check Out – Katzenbach and Lippincott Dorms – *Return room keys and meal cards to Lippincott Lobby***

**12:15 – 2009 – 2010 and 2010 – 2011**

**1:00 pm State Officer Luncheon & Meeting (*Casual dress*)**

*Hickman Hall, Room 138*

**1:00 – 2010 – 2011 State FFA**

**3:00 pm New State Officer Meeting**

Hickman Hall, Room 130