



2026 – 2027 State Agricultural Education and ND FFA Important Dates

Dates are subject to change

PLEASE NOTE: All state deadlines are due by Noon Central Time. For the most current ND FFA Association calendar, refer to <https://www.ndffa.org/calendar-of-events>.

July 2026			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
July 4	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Independence Day	
July 6	NDSF Livestock Registration Due	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
July 13	Tractor Operator Registration Due	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
July 13	FairEntry Deadline – All Static Exhibits for NDSF	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
July 17	State Tractor Operator Event	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
July 17–25	ND State Fair – Minot, ND	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
July 27	State Land Judging Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/land-judging	Nikki
July 30	State Land Judging CDE – Killdeer	https://www.ndffa.org/land-judging	Nikki
July 31	Membership Year Ends	www.ffa.org	Nikki/Atiana
August 2026			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
Prior to entering any students on roster	ND Chapters Switching to Affiliation		Nikki/Atiana
Prior to all Registration Deadlines	AET Student Permission Waiver	www.theaet.com	Nikki/Atiana
August 1	FFA Membership Begins	www.ffa.org	Nikki/Atiana
August 1 – 3	FFA Roster/Profile System Maintenance	www.ffa.org	National Membership
August 2	ND FFA Association Board of Directors Meeting	FFA LEADERSHIP ND FFA Association	Darin
August 3 – 5	ND CTE – PDC Conference	www.cte.nd.gov	All Staff
August 3 – 6	NDAAE PDC	Kristi.tonnessen@k12.nd.us	NDAAE President
September 2026			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact

September 1	CDE/LDE Uploads due for National FFA	www.ffa.org	Nikki
September 7	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Labor Day	
September 9	National Convention & Expo Registration opens at 6 pm EDT (5:00 pm central time)	99th National FFA Convention & Expo – Join In-person Oct. 21-24, 2026	Nikki
September 10	National FFA Housing Due @5:00 pm EDT (4:00 pm central time)	99th National FFA Convention & Expo – Join In-person Oct. 21-24, 2026	Nikki
September 14	State Range Registration due	Range-Judging ND FFA Association	Nikki
September 16	Fall Bidding Camp – Fargo, ND		
September 15	ND FFA Leadership Conference Registration due	https://www.ndffa.org/leadership-conference	All Staff
September 15	Aspire Application Due	https://www.ndffa.org/leadership-conference	Nikki
September 17	National Teach Ag Day	National #TeachAg Day – NAAE	
September 17	State Range Judging CDE – Carrington	https://www.ndffa.org/range-judging	All Staff
September 26 – 27	ND FFA Leadership Conference – Bismarck Event Center	https://www.ndffa.org/leadership-conference	All Staff
September 30	National Convention Early Bird Registration closes @8:00 pm EDT (7:00 pm central time)	99th National FFA Convention & Expo – Join In-person Oct. 21-24, 2026	Nikki
October 2026			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
October 1	Last day to cancel National Convention Rooms with no cancellation fees @5:00 pm EDT (4:00 pm central time)	99th National FFA Convention & Expo – Join In-person Oct. 21-24, 2026	Nikki
October 1	BJBF Applications due	www.ndffaoundation.com/programs	Kayla Hart
October 2	District 1 (Stanley) & District 6 (Tappen) Leadership Development Event Registration Due	www.judgingcard.com	District 1 – Nikki District 6 – Darin
October 7	District 1 (Stanley) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Nikki
October 7	District 6 (Tappen) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
October 15	American Degree Travel Stipends Due	www.ndffaoundation.com/programs	Laiken DeMorrett
October 21-24	99 th National FFA Convention & Expo – Indianapolis, IN	99th National FFA Convention & Expo – Join In-person Oct. 21-24, 2026	Nikki
October 30	District 2 (Max) Leadership Development Event Registration Due	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	District 2 – Nikki

November 2026			
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November TBD	ND FFA Association Board of Directors Meeting	FFA LEADERSHIP ND FFA Association	Darin
November 1	Program of Activities Due	POA ND FFA Association	Nikki
November 1	National FFA Scholarship Application opens	Financial Assistance National FFA Organization	
November 4	District 2 (Max) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	District 2 – Nikki
November 11	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Veterans Day	
November 12	District 3 (Rugby), District 5 NDSCS & District 8 (Medora) Leadership Development Event Registration Due	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	District 3 – Darin District 5 – Darin District 8 –Nikki
November 15	ND FFA Foundation SAE Grants Due	PROGRAMS ND FFA FOUNDATION	Kayla Hart
November 18	District 3 (Rugby) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
November 18	District 5 (NDSCS) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
November 18	District 8 (Medora) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Nikki
November 20	District 7 (Bismarck) Leadership Development Event Registration Due	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
November 25	District 7 (Bismarck) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Nikki
November 25	District 4 (Mayville) Leadership Development Event Registration Due	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
November 26	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Thanksgiving	
December 2026			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
December 1-5	NAAE/ACTE in Nashville, Tennessee	Convention - NAAE	
December 4	District 4 (Mayville) Leadership Development Event	District-Leadership ND FFA Association	Darin
December 10	State LDE Materials Due	LDE Day ND FFA Association	Nikki
December 14	State LDE Day – Bismarck	LDE Day ND FFA Association	Nikki
December 18	ND FFA Foundation Blue & Gold Gala	North Dakota FFA Foundation	Laiken DeMorrett
December 24	CTE OFFICE CLOSED AT NOON		
December 25	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Christmas Day Observed	

January 2027			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
TBD	Mid-Winter Professional Development	NDAAE	
January 1	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	New Years Eve Observed	
January 4	State Officer Candidate Application open	https://www.ndffa.org/become-state-officer	Nikki
January 15	National FFA Scholarship Closes	Financial Assistance National FFA Organization	
January 15	ND FFA Membership Roster Due	www.ffa.org	Nikki
January 18	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Martin Luther King Day	
January 23	ND FFA Foundation College Scholarship Due	PROGRAMS ND FFA FOUNDATION	Kayla Hart
February 2027			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
February 1-3	CTE in Memorial Hall – Bismarck, ND		Callahan
February 5-7	Preliminary State Auctioneering Contest – Fargo, ND		
February 1	Honorary State & Honorary American Degree Nominations Due	www.ndffa.org	Nikki
February 11	Giving Hearts Day		Laiken DeMorrett
February 15	American Star Application Due	American Star Awards National FFA Organization	Darin
February 15	American Degrees Due	American-degree ND FFA Association	Darin
February 15	State FFA Degree Due	State-degree ND FFA Association	Nikki
February 15	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	President's Day	
February 20-27	National FFA Week	National FFA Week National FFA Organization	
March 2027			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
March TBD	ND FFA Association Board of Directors Meeting	FFA LEADERSHIP ND FFA Association	Darin
March 15	ND FFA Foundation Washington Leadership Conference Scholarships Due	www.ndffaoundation.com/programs	Laiken DeMorrett

March 15	State Convention Schedule Online	www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
March 15	State Convention Advisor Sign-Up Open	www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Darin
March 16	National Ag Day	Ag Day Promoting Ag Day	
March 19	Winter CDE Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/winter-cdes	Nikki
March 22	Winter CDE's – Minot, ND	https://www.ndffa.org/winter-cdes	All Staff
March 26	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Good Friday	
March 31st	Declaration of District Leadership Dates to State Office Due		Nikki
April 2027			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
April 1	State Proficiency Due	Proficiency-awards ND FFA Association	Nikki
April 1	State Star Application Due	State-Star ND FFA Association	Nikki
April 1	State Convention Registration/CDE Registration Open	www.judgingcard.com	Nikki
April 1	State Convention Advisor Assignments Due	www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Darin
April 1	State Convention Delegate Numbers Posted	www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
April 15	Food for America Due	AWARDS / DEGREES ND FFA Association	Nikki
April 15	National Chapter Application Due	National-chapter ND FFA Association	Nikki
April 15	Screening Committee delegate member nominations for each district Due	Become-state-officer ND FFA Association	Nikki
April 19-23	ND FFA State Star Award Tour	State-Star ND FFA Association	Darin
April 27	Horse Evaluation Registration Due	Horse ND FFA Association	Nikki
May 2027			
Date	Event	Email/Link	Contact
May 1	Screening Committee member acceptances Due	Become-state-officer ND FFA Association	Nikki
May 1	Livestock Ownership Declaration Due	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
May 4	Horse Evaluation – Twin Buttes Fairgrounds	https://www.ndffa.org/horse	All Staff
May 5	State FFA Convention Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki

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May 5	State FFA Courtesy Corp Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
May 5	State FFA Talent Application Due	https://www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
May 5	State FFA Officer Application Due	https://www.ndffa.org/become-state-officer	Nikki
May 5	Screening Committee Application Due	https://www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
May 15	Agriscience Abstracts due	agriscience@ndffa.org	Nikki
May 22	State Convention CDE Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/state-convention	Nikki
May 31	CTE OFFICE CLOSED	Memorial Day	
June 2027			
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June TBD	ND FFA Association Board of Directors Meeting	FFA LEADERSHIP ND FFA Association	Darin
June 7-10	ND State FFA Convention – Fargo, ND	State Convention ND FFA Association	All Staff
June TBA	State Auctioneering Finals – State Convention		
June 13	North Dakota State Fair Advisor Assignments Sign Up Due	State Fair ND FFA Association	Darin
June 21-23	NAAE Region III Conference in Sheboygan, WI	TBD	
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TBD	FFA Camp – Dazey, ND	ND FFA Camp ND FFA Association	Nikki
August 1	Membership Year Begins	www.ffa.org	Nikki
August 2-4 TBD	Professional Development Conference – Bismarck, ND	www.cte.nd.gov	All Staff
August 2-5 TBD	NDAAE PDC	TBD	NDAAE President