

# 2026 FFA State Convention Schedule

All locations are subject to change. Please check [ndffa.org](http://ndffa.org) for latest schedule and event locations.

## Monday, June 1

- 6:00 – 7:30**      **Breakfast - (Invitation only)**  
West Dining Center (WDC)
- 11:00 – 2:00**      **Registration**  
Sanford Health Athletic Complex (SHAC) - Taylor Hall of Fame Room
- 12:00 – 1:00**      **Lunch - (Invitation only)**  
WDC
- 12:30**              **Screening Committee Meeting**  
Memorial Union (MU) - Badlands Room
- 1:30**                **State Officer Candidate Meeting**  
MU - Hidatsa Room
- 2:00**                **Small Animal Care CDE**  
Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse (BBFH)
- 2:30 – 3:30**      **Delegate Chairpersons & Delegate Advisors' Meeting**  
MU - Hidatsa Room
- 2:30 – 4:30**      **NDSU AgXperience: The Ultimate Ag Challenge**  
Shepherd Lawn  
Brought to you by College of Agriculture, Food Systems & Natural Resources
- 2:30 – 6:00**      **Screening Committee – Round 1**  
MU - Badlands
- 3:00 – 4:00**      **Agriscience Fair Exhibitor Meeting (mandatory attendance)**  
SHAC – Northern Upper Concourse
- 4:00 – 5:30**      **Chorus Organization & Rehearsal**  
Minard Hall - Room 116
- 4:15 – 5:15**      **Advisors' Meeting**  
MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom B
- 4:00 – 6:30**      **Dinner**  
WDC
- 5:15**                **Delegate Orientation Session 1 & Committee Meetings**  
MU - Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A
- 5:30 – 7:00**      **Courtesy Corps Orientation**  
MU – Anishinaabe Theater
- 6:45**                **SHAC Doors Open**
- 6:45 – 7:30**      **Education Leaders Social – Presented by**  
SHAC – Scheels Center  
Forever Blue VIP Suite
- 7:30**                **First Convention Session – Presented by**  
*(Delegates to Be Seated)*  
SHAC – Scheels Center



NORTH DAKOTA  
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- Presiding – Kristyn Bauer, ND FFA State Secretary
- Opening Ceremony
- Reflections – Avery Olstad, Golden Valley County FFA
- Presentation of Colors – Maddock A.S. Gibbens
- National Anthem – Jada Vetter, Washburn FFA
- Welcome from Honored Guests
- Honorary Degree Ceremony
- Chartering of New FFA Chapters – Devils Lake & Underwood
- National Officer Address – Jael Cruikshank, National FFA Western Region Vice-President
- AWARDS – Food for America, Superior Chapter, National Chapter and Premier Chapter
- Retiring Address – Evelyn Seil, ND FFA State Reporter
- Closing Ceremony

**8:30 – 10:00 Screening Committee – Round 2**

MU – Badlands

**10:00 – 10:30 Floor Meetings** (*mandatory attendance*)

Residence Halls

**10:30 Lights Out**

**Tuesday, June 2**

**6:00 – 8:00 Breakfast**

WDC

**7:30 Advanced Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems CDE**

Van Es – Room 101

**Agriscience Fair**

SHAC – North Upper Concourse

**Dairy Cattle Evaluation & Management CDE**

Shepperd Arena

**7:30 – 9:45 Screening Committee – Round 3**

MU – Badlands

*(An optional cut of candidates may be done after round 3)*

**8:00 Agricultural Communications CDE**

A. Glenn Hill – Room 112

**8:15 – 9:00 Student Success Workshop: “TBD”**

Jael Cruikshank – National FFA Western Region Vice President

MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A

**9:00 – 10:30 Chorus Rehearsal**

Minard Hall – Room 116

**9:15 – 10:00 Student Success Workshop: “Moving with Momentum”**

Bailey Urlacher – ND FFA National Officer Candidate Finalist

MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A

## Tuesday, June 2

- 10:15 – 11:00**     **Student Success Workshop: “TBD”**  
Jael Cruikshank – National FFA Western Region Vice President  
MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A
- 10:00 – 11:00**     **Industry Exploration Tour: “NDSU Sheep Unit”**  
Stephanie Puro – Sheep Unit Manager  
Limit to 40-50 students  
Dress Requirement: Participants must wear a t-shirt, jeans (no shorts), and closed-toed shoes to attend  
Meet at BBFH Steps – Bus departs at 10
- 10:30 – 12:00**     **Chorus Solo Auditions** *(as needed)*  
Minard Hall – Room 116
- 11:00 – 1:15**         **Lunch**  
WDC
- 12:15**                **Food Science & Technology CDE**  
MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A
- 1:00 – 4:00**         **Screening Committee – Round 4**  
MU – Badlands
- 1:00 – 4:00**         **Bright Futures Career & Education Expo**  
Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse (BBFH)
- 1:00**                  **Talent Showcase Stage**  
SHAC – North Concourse
- 1:00 – 4:00**         **Agriscience Fair Poster Showcase**  
SHAC – North Concourse
- 1:15**                  **Agricultural Communications CDE – Team Presentations**  
A. Glenn Hill – Room 112
- 1:15 – 2:45**         **Chorus Rehearsal**  
Minard Hall – Room 116
- 3:00**                  **Farm & Agribusiness Management CDE**  
Sudro Hall – Room 21  
**NDSU Campus Walk – Nursery/Landscape CDE Practice** *(optional)*  
Loftsgard Hall – Main Entrance
- 3:00 – 5:00**         **Meats Evaluation & Technology CDE Practice** *(optional)*  
Peltier Complex
- 4:00 – 6:30**         **Dinner**  
WDC
- 6:15**                  **SHAC Doors Open**

## Tuesday, June 2



7:00

### **Second Convention Session – Presented by**

*(Delegates to Be Seated)*

SHAC – Scheels Center

- Presiding – Ryan Schumacher, ND FFA State Parliamentarian & Makayla Kraft, ND FFA State Vice President
- Opening Ceremony
- Reflections – Bradley Krebs, New England FFA
- AWARDS – Agriscience Fair
- Retiring Address – Rose Schiele, ND FFA State Treasurer
- Officer Candidate Introductions
- AWARDS – Dairy Cattle Evaluation & Management and Small Animal Care
- Proficiency Awards Section A
- Retiring Address – Tate Norby, ND FFA State Sentinel
- Proficiency Awards Section B
- Closing Ceremony

8:15

### **Delegate Business Session**

*(Delegates to Be Seated)*

SHAC – Scheels Center

- Presiding – Cole Anderson, ND FFA President
- Committee Reports
- New Business

9:00 – 11:00

### **Screening Committee – Round 5**

MU – Badlands

9:30

### **Dance – Dude Walker’s Music on Wheels. Theme: Hawaiian**

MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom A & B

11:00

### **Dance Ends**

11:15

### **Lights Out**

## Wednesday, June 3

6:00 – 8:00

### **Breakfast**

WDC

7:30

### **Floriculture CDE**

Loftsgard Hall – Room 114

### **Intermediate Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems CDE**

Van Es – Room 101

7:30 – 10:00

### **Screening Committee – Round 6 (optional)**

MU – Badlands

8:00

### **Environmental & Natural Resources CDE**

A. Glenn Hill – Room 112

## Wednesday, June 3

**8:15 – 9:45 Student Success Workshop: “Finance Park Pop Up”**

Junior Achievement  
MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom B

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**11:00 – 1:15 Lunch**

WDC

**12:00 – 12:45 Student Success Workshop: “TBD”**

Jael Cruikshank – National FFA Western Region Vice President  
MU – Prairie Rose

**11:30 Meats Evaluation & Technology CDE**

Shepperd Arena

**12:00 Milk Quality & Products CDE**

A. Glenn Hill – Room 112

**1:30 Basic Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems CDE**

Van Es – Room 101

**1:30 Nursery/Landscape CDE**

Loftsgard Hall – Room 114

**4:00 – 6:30 Dinner**

WDC

**4:00 ND FFA Foundation Celebration Banquet**

- MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM: Social
  - 5:00 – 6:00 PM: Supper & Program

**6:15 SHAC Doors Open**

**7:00 Third Convention Session – Presented by**

SHAC – Scheels Center  
(Delegates to Be Seated)

- Presiding – Rose Schiele, ND FFA State Treasurer & Tate Norby, ND FFA State Sentinel
- Opening Ceremony
- Reflections – Simon Schneider, Central Cass FFA
- Retiring Address – Cole Anderson, ND FFA State President
- Introduction of American Degree Candidates
- State FFA Degree Ceremony
- State Star Awards: Star in Agribusiness, Star in Agricultural Placement, Star in Agriscience, Star Farmer
- Retiring Address – Makayla Kraft, ND FFA State Vice President
- Screening Committee Report
- Closing Ceremony



## Wednesday, June 3

- 9:15 – 10:15**     **Meet the Candidates: Delegate Social**  
MU – Anishinaabe Theater  
Delegates & Nominated State Officer Candidates Only  
**Must be wearing badges to enter**
- 10:15 – 11:15**     **John Rotellini – Magician & Mentalist**  
MU – Oceti Sakowin Ballroom
- 11:30**             **Lights Out**

## Thursday, June 4

- 6:00 – 8:00**     **Breakfast**  
WDC
- 6:00 – 8:00**     **Pack and Dorm Checkout**
- 7:00**             **SHAC Doors Open**
- 7:15**             **Delegate Session 2**  
SHAC – Scheels Center  
Delegates & Nominated State Officer Candidates Only  
**Must be wearing badges to enter**
- Presiding – Cole Anderson, ND FFA State President
  - Delegate Roll Call
  - 2026 – 2027 ND FFA State Officer Team Elections
- 8:15**             **SHAC Door Open**
- 9:00**             **Fourth Convention Session – Presented by**  
*(Delegates to Be Seated)*
- SHAC – Scheels Center
- Presiding – Evelyn Seil, ND FFA State Reporter & Cole Anderson, ND FFA State President
  - Opening Ceremony
  - Reflections – Abby Lee, Carrington FFA
  - Announcement of the 2026 – 2027 ND FFA State Officer Team
  - AWARDS – Agricultural Communications, Nursery/Landscape, Floriculture, Food Science & Technology, and Farm & Agribusiness Management
  - AWARDS – Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems (Basic, Intermediate, Advanced & Sweepstakes), and Milk Quality & Products.
  - Retiring Address – Ryan Schumacher, ND FFA State Parliamentarian
  - AWARDS – Talent, Meats Evaluation & Technology, and Environmental & Natural Resources
  - Retiring Address – Kristyn Bauer, ND FFA State Secretary
  - AWARDS – Courtesy Corps
  - Installation of New Officers & Presentation of Past State Officer Pins
- 11:45**             **Closing Ceremony**  
SHAC – Scheels Center
- 12:00 – 1:30**     **Pack and Checkout of Dorms**

