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			
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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.ndffafoundation.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.ndffafoundation.com/programs	Laiken DeMorrett
October 21-24	99th 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

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November 2026			
Date	**Event**	**Email/Link**	**Contact**
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 Registration Due	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 27	**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**	

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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 19	**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 16	**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.ndffafoundation.com/programs	Laiken DeMorrett

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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			
Date	**Event**	**Email/Link**	**Contact**
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	
July 2027			
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July 5	**CTE OFFICE CLOSED**	**Independence Day (Observed)**	
July 21	Tractor Operator Registration Due	State Fair | ND FFA Association	Darin
July 22	FairEntry Deadline - All Static Exhibits for NDSF	State Fair | ND FFA Association	Darin
July 23	State Tractor Operator Event	State Fair | ND FFA Association	Darin
July 23-31	ND State Fair – Minot, ND	State Fair | ND FFA Association	Darin
July TBD	State Land Judging Registration Due	https://www.ndffa.org/land-judging	Nikki
July TBD	State Land Judging CDE	Land-Judging | ND FFA Association	All Staff
July 31	Membership Year Ends	www.ffa.org	Nikki

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August 2027			
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August TBD	ND FFA Association Board of Directors Meeting	FFA LEADERSHIP | ND FFA Association	Darin
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

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