



## FEBRUARY 5-6TH, 2024 ALBANY, NY

YOUR STORY. YOUR VOICE. YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO LEAD.

# State Leaders' Experience is an ALL Inclusive elite leadership experience:

- Personal leadership and advocacy training.
- Opportunity to present to lawmakers and influencers
- Connect with FFA members from across New York.
- Contribute to discussions of issues shaping the future of agriculture, education and FFA in New York

#### Fees.

\$80/student for the first 100 students (\$125 after 100) \$75/advisor for shared lodging \$200/advisor for single rooming (as available) TOP STUDENT LEADERS IN
NEW YORK FFA CHAPTERS
WITH AN INTEREST IN
REPRESENTATIVE
LEADERSHIP,
AGRICULTURAL OR
EDUCATION POLICY OR
ADVOCACY AND
GOVERNMENT ARE
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



## **Conference Planning Guide and Add-Ons:**

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#### **Attendance Details:**

- Two top students from each chapter can register for SLE. Additional students may be added to a waiting list. The first 100 students from across NY will be accepted at the \$80 rate. Additional students may be permitted as space allows at the full conference rate of \$125 (matches the 2023 rate).
- Registration includes Monday dinner and Tuesday Breakfast. Students should eat lunch before registration and plan to bring money to purchase lunch on their own during their scheduled time for legislative visits during the day on Tuesday.
- Adult registration includes parking for 1 vehicle per adult.
- Students will be asked to schedule visits with their assembly and state senate representatives as part of Tuesday activities. Expect the opportunity to tell your story of how FFA has impacted you!
- Dress code is business casual on Monday and FFA Official Dress on Tuesday.

#### Add-On Travel!

- Students and teachers can sign up for shared travel to and from Albany. Travel starts the morning of 2/5 and returns the afternoon of 2/6.
- Eastbound from the Buffalo area on charter bus: \$50 round trip tickets will pick up from multiple locations along I-90 the morning of 2/5. Approximately 50 seats are available.
- Northbound from NYC via train: \$25/traveler. Approximately 15 seats are available.

#### Register Early and Win!

- All chapters that are fully registered before 12/24 will be entered into a drawing. One chapter will be chosen to receive their registration for free!
- Free registration would include a maximum of 2 students and 1 advisor at shared lodging rate.







## **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

#### Monday, February 5th

12:45 - Arrival and Registration

1:15 - 3:00 - Session One - The Arena

Gain experience and perspective about the structure, process and power dynamics of our state legislative system.

3:15 - 5:30 - Session Two - The Issues

Connect with leaders in agriculture, food,
natural resources and career and technical
education to learn about critical issues
facing NY communities in 2024 - and the
legislative response to meet those needs.

5:30 - 6:45 - Dinner

7:00 - 8:30 - Session Three - The Players
Strengthen communication abilities and build
core advocacy skills including making
powerful professional connections,
incorporating key messages authentically and
effectively telling your story

8:45 - 9:00 - Reflections

10:00 - Curfew and Room Checks

#### Tuesday, February 6th

7:00 - Breakfast

8:00 - Depart for Legislative Office Building

8:30 - 1:00 - Individual and group legislative appointments, attend legislative committee hearings or general session, participate in tours, etc.

2:00 - Depart for home