



An epic, 5 day road-trip throughout Minnesota to explore – and experience! – your future with 50 new friends? That's intense.

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an agricultural career experience.



July 13-17, 2020
\$225/student (FFA members get a \$25 discount!)
Limited Spots Available – sign up early to be able to bring a friend!



Returning in 2020, **inTENse** is an opportunity offered by Minnesota FFA for students in grades 10 and 11 to gain hands-on experiences in agricultural careers and at Minnesota colleges and universities. Participants will travel together with students their age and meet with agricultural teachers and leaders. Farm tours, business visits and engaging experiences on college campuses ranging from production agricultural to environmental science, agricultural technology and business skills will give students perspective and insight into career areas thriving on local, state, national and global levels.

No matter what you are interested in or what you are good at – you can find a career that uniquely fits you and serves others in Minnesota agriculture.

inTENse is tentatively \$200 per FFA member (\$225 per non-member) and includes 5 days and 4 nights of travel, lodging, meals and programming.

Sample InTENse: Agricultural Career Conference Agenda

(The 2020 conference schedule is still being developed and experiences offered are subject to change. Check out what we did last time!)



Monday

Students joined the tour in Saint Paul or Brainerd before coming together for lunch and exploratory opportunities at the welcoming and hands-on Central Lakes College. Whether it was operating equipment, learning about hydroponics or exploring their farm; there was something for every interest. That night, we travelled all the way up to Crookston to stay in dorms and get to know one another.

Tuesday

Waking up on the beautiful UMN-Crookston campus gave us opportunities to try on experiences like equine science, natural resources and even agricultural technology. We grabbed lunch before heading south toward Ridgewater College in Willmar with offerings including hydraulics, dairy nutrition, veterinary technology and business. Finally, we stayed on campus in Marshall, MN before heading east in the morning.

Wednesday

Starting the day on the Southwest Minnesota State University included an easy walk across campus to a dining hall breakfast and was followed by career experiences that prepare their students for careers as farmers, agronomists and scientists. From here, we headed to South Central College in Mankato to try on awesome opportunities that include animals, food, mechanics and plants. That night, we traveled to Austin MN for tours and a night in a hotel.

Thursday

We spent time learning about Riverland Community College's agricultural majors and classes and then started heading north toward the Twin Cities. Along the way, we stopped at professional sports facilities, factories, food companies and multi-million dollar businesses. For the last night of the tour, we checked into the dorms at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities and travelers grabbed dinner on their own as we explored the campus and had a night to just hang out.

Friday

Many students had been to the University of Minnesota for State Convention – but there was still something to surprise us! Whether it was diving into a career in agricultural education or communications, learning how to get into vet school or checking out FORESTRY in the same city where our State Capitol is, Friday was our last chance for greatness. We celebrated our trip before heading home with advisors or parents no later than 3 pm.

