



97TH MINNESOTA FFA STATE CONVENTION

APRIL 20-21 | TWIN CITIES

Convention Registration Information:

Registration Link:

You can find a link to the registration by logging into AET, going to the chapter profile tab, and clicking Judging Card. You can then click Event Registration and Information and find our convention on April 20-21 on the calendar.

FFA Membership:

FFA Roster additions are due April 1 for students competing at State Convention. Please add students through AET as you did your fall roster; then go into ffa.org to submit them to state. These supplemental membership invoices will be sent after April 1.

Registering CDE Competitors, Talent, and BIG

You can then click on “Registration” for each event in which you have individuals or teams qualified. There should be a space to select all students on the team or individuals (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection). Alternates will not be registered as a team member, but changes can be made up to April 10 when registration closes or the day of the event if needed after that. Note: **Most CDE’s do have space for a fifth member, these are UNIFIED eligible only**, do not enter a fifth team member unless your team also competed as a unified team at your regional qualifier. Contact Natasha or Jen Boersma if you have questions about unified teams.

Registering Official Delegates

Two students who are available Monday morning from 8 - 11 a.m. for the delegate session and will be informed/prepared to vote on State matters should be added to the “Official Delegates” as we need the names of all student delegates (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection).

Registering Students for Onstage Recognition

Please enter your Agriscience Fair Finalists, Proficiency Finalists, and State Degree Recipients that will be attending convention to go on stage at the respective session in Mariucci (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection). You may have already entered some of these students earlier for a CDE, that is ok, you must enter them again here, you will not be charged for them twice. You will only be charged for your unduplicated member count.

Registering Foundation Ambassadors

Only enter your students for this program if you receive confirmation from the Foundation that your student’s application was selected, and they will be participating in the pre-convention training (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection).

Graduating Seniors

The foundation has gifts for all 12th graders who will be in attendance at Convention. Register the 12th graders coming to convention from your chapter so they will be able to pick up their gift at Career Connections in the Progress Center on Monday morning (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection).

Total Unduplicated Members

This is where you will enter **each of the members coming to convention** (students must be on an AET-submitted FFA roster to appear for selection). Likely all of these students will also be registered for at least one other specific competition or activity, but this section will determine the number of member buttons in your chapter packet and a large share of your invoice: **buttons/registration is \$50 per student**. Because each member must have a button to compete and/or attend sessions, be certain you do not miss any students or you will have to pay on site and that won't be a quick or easy process.

Advisor/Chaperone/Adult Guests Registration

All Advisors, chaperones, and adult guests from your chapter can be added in bulk by selecting the number of adults attending convention. We will be requesting contact information for chaperones and advisors as convention comes closer. **The recommended ratio of adults to students from the University is 1:10. Pre-registered adults are \$20 and will each have a button** (different from member buttons) in your chapter registration packet. **Additional on-site registrations are \$10 per session**, they will receive a sticker.

Mariucci security will not allow anyone into the sessions that don't have a button or a session sticker. So if your adult guests will be attending two or more sessions it will be much easier/faster for them if you pre order them a button using this feature.

Chapter Fee

You should also add one chapter registration. Please note that the \$400 MAAE discount will be applied for those eligible before final billing is processed.

Parking

You will receive the appropriate corresponding window pass(es) in your chapter packet at registration based on your entries here.

Meals

There are several options this year for meals on site. **Concessions will be open in the Coliseum (Sabinos Pizza) from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Monday - Cash & Card accepted! Concessions will also be available at 3M Arena and will be open during sessions - Card only!**

On **Monday, a BBQ meal** (pulled pork sandwich, chips, pickles, cookie, and pop/water) is available for \$12 per meal to pick up at the UMN St. Paul Campus Animal Science Arena. **This pick up is from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

On **Tuesday, a pizza meal** (2 slices of pizza, chips, cookie and pop) is available for \$9 per person. This will be to **pick up at Mariucci Arena from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

*Band/Choir Participants DO NOT NEED Tickets, they will be included in the MN FFA Count (already paid through their registration fee).

St. Paul Student Center will be offering several food options on Monday. They have a coffee shop with refreshers, energy drinks, and several coffee options (latte, cappuccino, mocha, and coffee). They also have donuts and Danishes at the coffee shop as well as personal size pizzas- pepperoni, or cheese available. The extra area houses 5 different concepts, the most popular last year was the BBQ concept that has rice bowl, wrap, salad and sandwich options. Finally, there is a grab and go cooler that has some items to grab. **The Student Center takes cash and card!**

Meals available at Bailey Hall- Lunch- \$15.70; Dinner- \$17.80. Lunch & Dinner: Hotline food (Different offerings) + Salad/Deli + Rice Bar + Desserts + MTO options Hotline includes the Vegan option. MTO(made-to-order)- Grill (hamburgers, grilled chicken, black bean burgers, fish sandwich); Pizza/Calzones; Pasta Bar; Create (we have rotating options for this item)— To access MTO, students would use their phone and the QR code to enter their request). **Credit Cards Only!**

Meals Continued

A total number of meals for students and adults can be purchased through the registration system. These meals will not be assigned to a specific person, so just add the total number needed for students and adults. The appropriate number and type of meal tickets will be added to your convention packets. Additional meals are not available onsite, but concessions are available at Mariucci.

Courtesy Corp

Several options are available for your students to sign up and be a part of courtesy corp. Each area has a set number needed. The correct number of arm bands will be added to your chapter's convention packet based on sign up quantities per chapter.

***Students will receive a VOLUNTEER Pin when they arrive for Courtesy Corp as part of this year's PIN CHALLENGE.**

Workshops/Tours

You have many leadership and learning opportunities to sign your chapter members up to participate in which all have a capacity number. Please make sure that your students show up for the workshops/tours they are registered for! **There will be sign-in sheets at each workshop/tour to let you know that they have attended.**

*Please do not have one chapter take all of the slots in a workshop. If you have a lot of students, spread them out as much as you can please!

***Students will receive a LEADERSHIP Pin when they arrive to workshops/tours as part of this year's PIN CHALLENGE!**

Day of Service/Taste of CFANS/Career Connections

There are several additional opportunities for students! You need to register for the Day of Service Event and the Taste of CFANS to make sure there is enough room at the different times! No registration is needed for Career Connections and this is open from 7:30 a.m. - Noon.

***For the PIN CHALLENGE, students will receive: a SERVICE Pin for Day of Service, a FFA Loves CFANS Button for Taste of CFANS, and a MERIT Pin for Career Connections!**

***Students can also receive a CONDUCT Pin if "caught" demonstrating kindness, respect, and positive behavior at any part of the Convention.**

Billing

Billing will be processed by MINNESOTA FFA and not by JudgingCard or the University. Please don't print or pay off of the Judging Card Invoice that you can create. You should receive your convention invoice from QuickBooks like you currently receive your membership invoices. **State Convention invoices will be sent after the April 10 Registration deadline. Chapters will pay for/be responsible for what is on the registration.**

NOTE: Chapters will be billed for everything registered for online as of the registration deadline plus any onsite additions you might have to do at convention will be sent in a supplemental invoice. We appreciate being informed of any "drops" you have prior to or at convention but we cannot provide reimbursement or a credit for them. Thank you for understanding the huge endeavor and costs it takes to create a multi-day youth event utilizing dozens of facilities for thousands of attendees.