



NATIONAL
FFA ORGANIZATION

FFA VISION

Grow Leaders
Build Communities
Strengthen Agriculture



2016-17 FACT SHEET

FFA MISSION



The National FFA Organization is an integral part of agricultural education by helping make classroom instruction come to life through realistic, hands-on applications. FFA members embrace concepts taught in agricultural classrooms nationwide, build valuable skills through hands-on experiential learning and each year demonstrate their proficiencies in competitions that showcase real-world agricultural skills.

Today's FFA has evolved in response to expanded opportunities available in agriculture and its need to hire skilled and competent employees for 235 unique careers. The organization also helps students prepare for careers in business, marketing, science, communications, education, horticulture, production, natural resources, forestry and many other diverse fields.

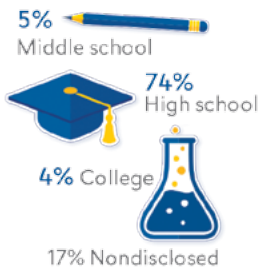
The agricultural education program provides a well-rounded, practical approach to learning through three components: classroom education, hands-on supervised agricultural career experiences and FFA, which provides leadership opportunities and tests students' agricultural skills.

Source: National FFA Organization

FFA MEMBERSHIP

- 649,355 Student members
- 7,859 Local FFA chapters in the U.S., Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands
- 225,891 Alumni members
- 1,934 Alumni chapters

GRADE LEVEL*



FFA members earn \$4 billion annually through hands-on work experiences and participate in and learn advanced career skills in 47 national proficiency areas that range from food science and technology to wildlife management and production agriculture.

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS:

IOWA
14,700 members – 232 chapters

NEBRASKA
8,000 members – 176 chapters