

80th National FFA Convention



Advisor's Planning Guide

Second Edition



80th NATIONAL
FFA CONVENTION
OCTOBER 24-27, 2007



Dear FFA Advisors and Members:

The time is almost here. Indianapolis is excited to be your host city for the quickly approaching 80th National FFA Convention! City leaders and the hospitality community have been

working hard with your FFA leadership to prepare our home to share with all of you. In just two months, more than 50,000 of you will descend on Indianapolis for a gathering of young leaders.

I am pleased to tell you that our preparation to host you actually began 20 years ago. That's when our city leaders committed to the deliberate development of our world-class convention district in a safe, convenient and connected downtown—an ideal location for such a significant and historic gathering of young people.

As many of you know, the National FFA Center is located here in Indianapolis and is extremely well respected in our community. Hosting your national convention this October and for five more years will provide all of our citizens an up-close opportunity to experience your energy, vitality and outstanding leadership.

Therefore, I look forward to personally greeting you all soon. Again, I am confident that you will enjoy your visit to our city. We are extremely proud of our hometown and the many exciting attractions, hotels, outstanding restaurants and shops that are well within safe distance from each other.

So, on behalf of the hundreds of volunteers, hotels and restaurant personnel and hospitality leaders preparing for your visit, we will see you soon and safe travels to all.

Sincerely,

Bart Peterson
 Mayor



Dear FFA Advisors and Members:

As part of the National FFA, we know the future of our members is bright! The 80th National FFA Convention is a time to share the excellent qualities of the organization not only with each other, but with the host city as well.

This will be our second year in the city of Indianapolis, and we will continue to show the community the far-reaching influence of FFA in the lives of young people and the future of the agriculture industry.

Indianapolis is sure to be amazed, yet again, when they see firsthand the outstanding qualities and boundless potential our members possess as a result of their experiences in agricultural education programs.

What is one of the first things that those unfamiliar with FFA remark upon meeting members? The blue corduroy jackets! This year's convention theme—Blue Jackets, Bright Futures—exemplifies the leadership, service and other skills learned in FFA to make your future bright!

Use this *Second Edition Advisor's Planning Guide* to help prepare for the event. As always, the national FFA convention will be packed with can't-miss opportunities from helping chart policy and electing national officers to receiving recognition for outstanding achievements and sharing ideas with members from across the country.

We'll see you in October!



Sincerely,

Larry D. Case, Ed. D
 National FFA Advisor

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CALL TO CONVENTION

Welcome to the 80th National FFA Convention. This is the time for you to shine! As more than 50,000 FFA members and guests visit Conseco Fieldhouse, the RCA Dome, the Indiana Convention Center and the Indiana State Fairgrounds, we will be bringing you exciting general sessions with motivational speakers, special guests and FFA members from around the nation being recognized for their outstanding achievements. Other highlights will include the career show, leadership development workshops for students and advisors, and the National Days of Service. This year, make sure to take advantage of the opportunity to learn about yourself and the organization. Take time to lead, set examples for others and serve others in the community. This is your time to share what FFA means, and what bright futures are ahead!!

Your 2006-2007 National FFA Officer Team,

Janette Barnard

Jamie Cecil

Coty Back

Jennifer Humberg

Kacy Bruford

Beau Williamson

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WHAT TO EXPECT IN INDY

As you anticipate the 80th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, all the excitement of the event – including terrific tours, dining options, entertainment activities and a vibrant downtown environment – awaits you.

AMERICAN DEGREE CEREMONY

To accommodate the large number of American Degree recipients and their guests, Convention Session #8, the American Degree Ceremony, will be held in the RCA Dome on the American Degree Stage.

AMERICAN DEGREE RECEPTION

The National FFA Organization will host an American Degree reception from 7 - 9 p.m. on Friday evening prior to Saturday's American Degree Ceremony. The reception will take place in the Sagamore Ballroom of the Indiana Convention Center and will feature former national FFA officer Mark Sanborn. All American Degree recipients receive one free admission to the reception and can request up to three free tickets to the American Degree Ceremony (Convention Session #8).

CONVENTION ARENA SESSIONS

Eight of the nine scheduled convention sessions will take place in Conseco Fieldhouse. Doors for all sessions will open one hour prior to the session start time, with pre-session activities beginning half an hour prior to the session start.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION LOCATION

Pre-registration is your best option to avoid the lines at onsite registration. If you are unable to pre-register and take advantage of reduced prices, the main convention registration desk will be located in the Indiana Convention Center off the Maryland Street en-

trance. Beat the rush and pre-register for the convention through the convenient online convention registration option.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION BADGES

For recognition, safety and security, **please instruct your students and attendees to wear their convention badges at all times** – not just when attending convention sessions or the career show. These badges will assist Indianapolis volunteers in identifying convention attendees should they need assistance or directions to convention locations and events. The city of Indianapolis has an 11 p.m. curfew for all minors under the age of 18, and Circle Centre Mall has a 9 p.m. curfew on weeknights. FFA members attending the 80th National FFA Convention will be exempt from this curfew, but only if they can be easily identified and are behaving appropriately.

Please note: This does not guarantee students free run of the city at night. Convention registration badges will be sold at the main convention registration desk in the Indiana Convention Center. Lost badges may be replaced at either the main convention registration desk or Conseco Fieldhouse; there will be a \$5 fee.

CONVENTION TICKET REFUND PROCEDURE

As with most public events, convention event tickets are nonrefundable. Opening session tickets may only be exchanged at the onsite convention registration counter at the Indiana Convention Center. Exchange of these tickets will be accommodated if the desired session has available seats. Tickets sold for activities such as concerts, Xtreme Bulls, hypnotist performances, etc., are nonrefundable. These tickets may not be exchanged or returned unless the event is cancelled. In the case of a cancellation, you will receive instructions on receiving your refund.





CONCERTS

On Wednesday and Thursday, enjoy the concert series sponsored by Chevy and RFD-TV. For more information, see entertainment.

DOWNTOWN ENVIRONMENT

FFA members and activities will be in the middle of a true, exciting downtown city environment. Downtown Indianapolis is clean, safe, well-lit and easy to navigate. Please remember, there will be a substantial amount of vehicular and pedestrian traffic surrounding all our convention locations. FFA convention locations include the Indiana Convention Center, RCA Dome, Conseco Fieldhouse, Indiana State Fairgrounds and eight event hotels.

FFA WAY

INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN POLICE

Georgia Street, the downtown thoroughfare that runs between the Indiana Convention Center/RCA Dome and Conseco Fieldhouse, three blocks away, will be partially cordoned off for pedestrian traffic. The street will be re-named "FFA Way" in honor of the convention and will be staffed with Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department officers and a variety of Indianapolis volunteers to

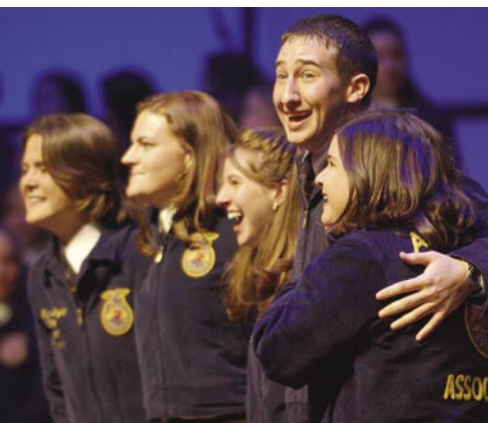
assist convention attendees during their travels back and forth between convention venues. Please understand there will still be automobile traffic on this street, so please be attentive.

INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS

Ten CDEs will take place at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 38 blocks north of downtown Indianapolis. The Indiana State Fairgrounds is self-contained, with fencing surrounding the facility. **Ample food and beverages will be available for sale at the fairgrounds, and breaks have been built into the CDE schedules to allow for meals and snacks. We strongly suggest that you take advantage of meal and snack options at the fairgrounds, as there are limited dining establishments in the area.** Unlike downtown, the state fairgrounds is surrounded by residential neighborhoods, commercial areas with few dining options and busy streets, so we suggest that your group stay inside the grounds for all activities, including meals.

Check out the online coverage of the 80th National FFA Convention sponsored by Fastline Publications as a special project of the **National FFA Foundation.**

FASTLINE





FREE SHUTTLE

CDE participants may use the free fairgrounds shuttle for transportation between the convention center and fairgrounds. For more fairgrounds information, consult your CDE team orientation packet and the shuttle information on page 65.

PARKING

Prepaid parking passes purchased through online convention registration are your best option. In a downtown environment such as Indianapolis, it is important that you take advantage of the prepaid parking opportunities available. FFA has secured approximately 5,000 parking spaces for convention attendees and an additional 600 spaces for school buses. Pre-register now to secure a parking space before you arrive in Indy! Parking passes are only available online.

SAFETY

Indianapolis is a clean, safe and welcoming city, and the 80th National FFA Convention will take place in the heart of it all. Make sure your students are familiar with

general safety practices listed on page 48.

SMOKING IN RESTAURANTS, PUBLIC PLACES

A majority of restaurants in the city of Indianapolis are smoke-free establishments. The only exceptions to this rule are establishments classified as bars that serve alcohol as the majority of their revenue. Guests must be 21 (the legal drinking age in Indiana) in order to enter. Please keep this smoking policy in mind as you make your dining reservations and make sure your students are aware that many establishments in the downtown area will enforce age restrictions appropriately.

TAX EXEMPTION

FFA chapters are not eligible for tax exemption in the state of Indiana. All housing rates quoted and provided to chapters using the Indianapolis housing block include all appropriate taxes in the rate.

Shuttles

FFA has arranged for shuttles between the downtown Indiana Convention Center and three groups of destinations: the Indiana State Fairgrounds (CDE participants), the Indianapolis Zoo (bus parking) and several different hotel campuses. Please refer to pages 63-65 for important information on shuttle routes and passes.



Hoosier Hysteria: Passion or Obsession?

There's a fine line between passion and obsession. And when you're talking basketball, that line is best described as Hoosier Hysteria. Drive around Indiana in any direction — you see traces of Hoosiers' love of the sport. A hoop almost always in sight. And more often than not, a game is in session.

Opened to the public in the fall of 1999, the Conesco Fieldhouse is a monument to basketball's place in our culture — a tribute to the line between passion and obsession, between yesterday's legends and today's stars.

Rising 14 stories over Penn State's Conesco Fieldhouse, the southeastern facade of the new Conesco Fieldhouse is a masterpiece of classic Hoosier



Convention Events

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BLUE JACKETS
Bright Futures

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OPENING SESSIONS

BLUE JACKETS. (BRIGHT FUTURES.)

Wednesday, October 24

4 - 5:45 p.m., 1A
 7:15 - 9 p.m., 1B
 Conesco Fieldhouse

Thursday, October 25

8 - 10 a.m., 1C
 Conesco Fieldhouse

Keynote - Rick Rigsby, National Officer Team Reflections Program, National Advisor's Challenge, FFA Alumni Greetings (1C only), Band and Chorus Grand Entry



Keynote Speaker:

Rick Rigsby

Dr. Rick Rigsby is recognized as one of the most dynamic speakers in America. As a motivational speaker and president of The Impact Group, and as a minister and

founder of Impact Family Ministries, Dr. Rigsby's electrifying presentation will encourage, challenge and inspire you!

Prior to graduate school, Rick was a television news and sports reporter for a CBS affiliate in northern California.

SECOND SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF SERVICE

Thursday, October 25

2 - 4:30 p.m.
 Conesco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address

Kacy Baugher

State Association Membership Awards, Models of Innovation Awards, National Chapter Awards

THIRD SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF BELIEF

Thursday, October 25

7:30 - 10 p.m.
 Conesco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address

Coty Back

Sponsor Recognition, Recognition of Past National Officers, Stars Over America Pageant



Sessions

FOURTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF HONOR

Friday, October 26

8 - 10:30 a.m.

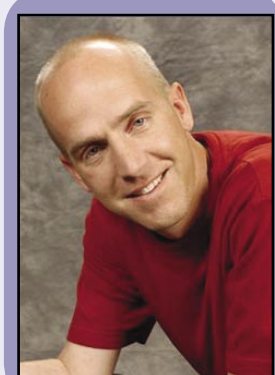
Conseco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address
Janette Barnard

*DSC and VIP Citations,
Honorary American
Degree Ceremony.*

Keynote - Chad Hymas



**Keynote
Speaker:**

Chad Hymas

At the age of 27, Chad Hymas' life changed instantaneously when an accident left him a quadriplegic.

Chad currently resides in Rush Valley, Utah on a 200-acre wildlife preserve. Chad is a world-class wheelchair athlete enjoying basketball, wheelchair rugby, hang-gliding and snow skiing.

FIFTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF LEADERSHIP

Friday, October 26

12 - 1:30 p.m.

Conseco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address
Jennifer Himburg

Officer Advisor and School Recognition, H.O. Sargent Awards, NAAE Greetings, National Officer Candidate Introductions, Agri-Entrepreneurship Awards.

SIXTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF SUCCESS

Friday, October 26

3 - 4:30 p.m.

Conseco Fieldhouse

Proficiency Awards



SEVENTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF VISION

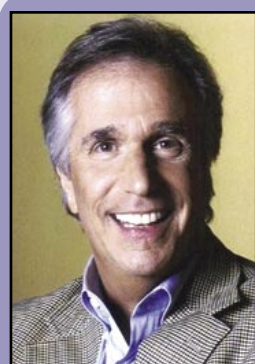
Friday, October 26
7 - 9 p.m.
Conseco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address
Jamie Cecil

Creed, Extemporaneous, and Prepared Public Speaking CDE Awards; Agriscience Student and Teacher Recognition, Agriscience Fair Finalists

Keynote: Henry Winkler



Keynote Speaker:
Henry Winkler

Henry Winkler's portrayal of "The Fonz" for 10 seasons on Happy Days made him one of the most recognized actors in the world. He won two consecutive Golden Globe Awards

and three Emmy nominations.

In 2003, Winkler began writing a series of children's novels with his co-author, Lin Oliver. The books are inspired by Winkler's struggle

throughout his education due to his learning challenges and the books have appeared on several best seller lists.

EIGHTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF ACHIEVEMENT

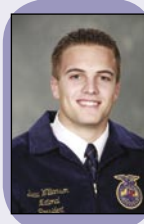
Saturday, October 27
7:45 - 11:30 a.m.
RCA Dome

American Degree Ceremony

NINTH SESSION

OUR FUTURE OF EXCELLENCE

Saturday, October 27
1:30 - 5 p.m.
Conseco Fieldhouse



Retiring Address
Beau Williamson

National Officer Parent Recognition, Career Development Event Winners, Delegate Reports, Election and Installation of 2007-2008 National FFA Officers, Convention-in-Review Show



Career Show

Keynote: Mark Sanborn



Keynote Speaker: **Mark Sanborn**

Mark Sanborn is a former national FFA officer and is dedicated to developing leaders in business and in life. He is an international bestselling author and noted authority on leadership, team building, customer service

and change.

Sanborn is the author of seven books, including *TeamBuilt: Making Teamwork Work*, *Sanborn on Success and Upgrade: Proven Strategies for Dramatically Increasing Personal and Professional Success*. Mark's book *The Fred Factor: How Passion in Your Work and Life Can Make the Ordinary Extraordinary* is an international bestseller.

His latest book is *You Don't Need a Title to be a Leader: How Anyone Anywhere Can Make a Positive Difference*.

FFA NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CAREER SHOW

Exhibit Halls A-E at the Indiana Convention Center

GRAND OPENING

Wednesday, October 24

12:30 p.m.

Main Hall, First Floor, ICC

Hours of Operation

Wednesday, 12:30 - 6 p.m.

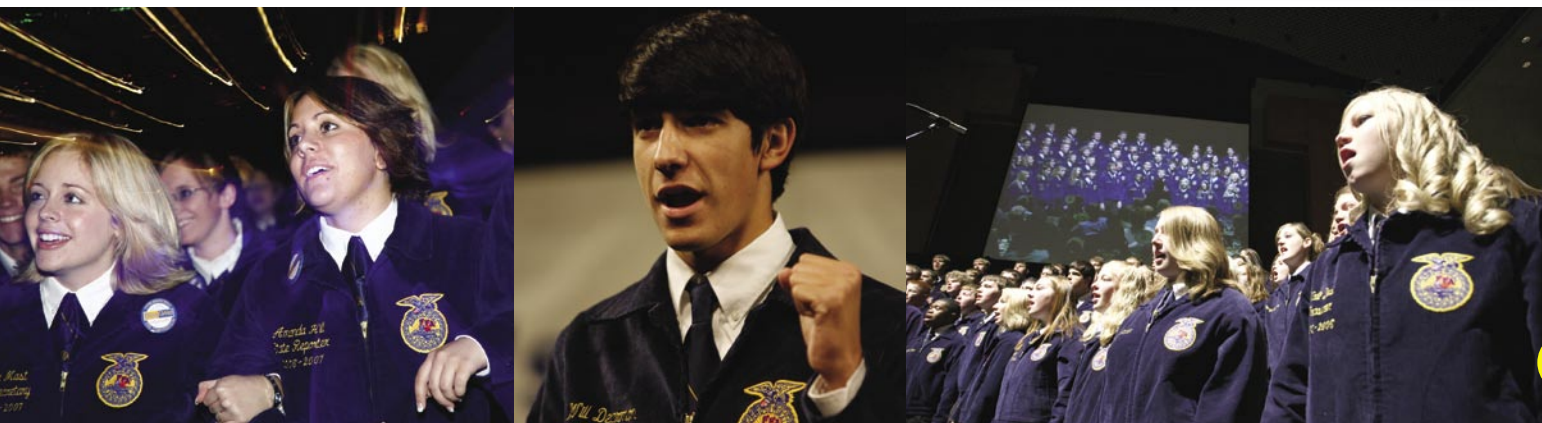
Thursday, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

More than 1,300 booths representing colleges, agriculture-related companies, fundraising companies, U.S. Armed Services, and auto and truck manufacturers pack exhibit halls A-E and the surrounding hallways on the first and second floor at the Indiana Convention Center for the FFA National Agricultural Career Show. The Hall of States is now located on the second floor. Exhibitors offer attendees a balance between information, education and hands-on training like welding and computer-related technology. Chapter advisors are able to gather new material for use in the classroom after the convention. The career show helps students explore the big picture of agriculture for a brighter future.

CAREER SHOW

Students will discover numerous agricultural careers and explore opportunities in post-secondary job training and education.





CAREER SHOW

The FFA National Agricultural Career Show is full of information, and consequently, full of possibilities for classroom and real-world applications.

- ▶ Ask students to find three exhibits related to a career field that interests them, gather information, interview the exhibitors and then present what they've learned to their classmates when they return to school.
- ▶ Students can collect business cards and handouts from a variety of career fields. Back in the classroom, they can make displays or posters for each career field, which can then be displayed at their school.
- ▶ Provide a service to the upperclassmen at your school by asking students to gather information on colleges and present what they learned to the senior class.
- ▶ Require each student to visit 15 company booths and make a list of three occupations related to each company.

STATE PHOTO SCHEDULE

The location of the State Photo booth is the RCA Dome floor adjacent to the food court. Talk with your state FFA association for more information about your state photo.

See schedule below.

THURSDAY, Oct. 25	FRIDAY, Oct. 26
9:00 Open	9:00 Florida
9:15 Hawaii	9:15 New York
9:30 Vermont	9:30 Kentucky
9:45 Maine	9:45 North Dakota
10:00 Open	10:00 Tennessee
10:15 Connecticut	10:15 Open
10:30 Idaho	10:30 Michigan
10:45 Puerto Rico	11:00 Illinois
11:00 Alaska	11:30 South Carolina
11:15 Virginia	11:45 New Mexico
11:30 Oklahoma	12:00 Georgia
11:50 Washington	12:15 Iowa
12:10 South Dakota	12:30 West Virginia
12:25 Alabama	12:45 Louisiana
12:40 Courtesy Corps	1:00 New Jersey
12:55 Delegates	1:30 Nevada
1:30 Open	1:45 Massachusetts
1:45 Colorado	2:00 Minnesota
2:15 Wisconsin	2:15 Utah
2:40 Open	2:30 Arkansas
3:00 Mississippi	2:45 Montana
3:15 North Carolina	3:00 Arizona
3:30 Missouri	3:15 Oregon
3:45 Pennsylvania	3:30 New Hampshire
4:00 Indiana	3:45 Rhode Island
4:15 Wyoming	4:00 Nebraska
4:30 California	4:15 Ohio
4:45 Maryland	4:30 Kansas
5:00 Delaware	4:45 Texas

For questions concerning state photos, please contact Amber Striegel at 317-802-4245 or astriegel@ffa.org.

FFA Alumni



NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI

The National FFA Alumni Association is the backbone of FFA, working to support FFA members in their quests for premier leadership, personal growth and career success and to ensure that all people in their communities can do the same.

2007 NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI CONVENTION Indiana Convention Center, Rooms 205, 206 and 207

The National FFA Alumni Convention is where alumni members gather to share ideas and inspirations, conduct association business and to award one another for outstanding achievements in service to FFA, agriculture and their communities.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

4 - 6 p.m.

Award Session

ICC, Rooms 205, 206 and 207



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

8 - 9:30 a.m.

Delegate Registration

ICC, Outside Rooms 205, 206 and 207

9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Business Session

ICC, Rooms 205, 206 and 207

7 - 9 p.m.

American FFA Degree/FFA Alumni Reception

ICC, Sagamore Ballroom



2007 NATIONAL FFA ALUMNI BENEFIT AUCTIONS

ICC, 500 Ballroom

While attending the national FFA convention, make sure to attend the National FFA Alumni silent and live benefit auctions. At the auctions, you can get a great deal on a huge variety of merchandise while helping to raise money for student scholarships. Don't miss these opportunities to lend your support to FFA members and bid on outstanding items such as: a Ford F-150 XLT, 42" Cub Cadet lawn mower, New Holland tractor/baler lease, Manco PowerSports Fun Kart, Carhartt jackets, Delta toolboxes, Danaher tools, Lincoln welders, Oster, Ertl and Tractor Supply Company products, Union tools, gift certificates to area restaurants and attractions, college and university memorabilia, FFA collectibles, state baskets, state treasures, celebrity items and much, much more!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

1 - 6 p.m.

Silent Auction Open for Bidding

ICC, 500 Ballroom

1 - 6 p.m.

Live Auction Items on Display

ICC, 500 Ballroom

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Silent Auction Open for Bidding

ICC, 500 Ballroom

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Live Auction Items on Display

ICC, 500 Ballroom

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Silent Auction Open for Bidding

ICC, 500 Ballroom

4 - 10 p.m.

Silent Auction Payment/Pickup

ICC, Room 113

5 - 6 p.m.

Live Auction Social

ICC, 500 Ballroom

6 p.m.

Live Auction Begins

ICC, 500 Ballroom

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

8 - 10 a.m.

Auction Payment/Pickup

ICC, Room 113

10 a.m.

Mini-Auction for

Unclaimed Items

ICC, 500 Ballroom

COLLEGIATE WORKSHOPS AND ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

4 - 5 p.m.

Beginner Collegiate

LifeKnowledge Session

Advanced Collegiate

LifeKnowledge Session

Hilton Hotel

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

10 - 11 a.m.

Collegiate Workshop-

Personal Development

Hilton Hotel

3 - 4 p.m.

Collegiate Workshop

Career Development

Hilton Hotel

8 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Collegiate House Party

NCAA Hall of Champions

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

10 - 11 a.m.

Community Development

Hilton Hotel

2 - 3 p.m.

Collegiate Workshop-

Organizational Development

Hilton Hotel

7 - 11 p.m.

Collegiate Social Event

Jillian's

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Collegiate Career Expo

ICC, Rooms 101 - 106



Convention Workshops

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80th NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND PERSONAL GROWTH WORKSHOPS

Your students' convention experiences aren't complete until they've attended at least one leadership and personal growth workshop! These workshops have been developed to help them in their quest for premier leadership, personal growth and career success. Each description below is followed by the primary measures of success featured in that workshop. Ask your students to attend those workshops that best fit their skill-development needs.

Each workshop is approximately 50-60 minutes in length.

STUDENT WORKSHOPS

CHAPTER SUPERHEROES

Presented by: Jason Davis, MFE and WLC trainer

Ever wished you had a super power? Come discover ways you can impact your chapter in heroic proportions! We'll discover and refine your abilities as a leader and focus on being proactive in every aspect of your chapter. Chapter superheroes unite!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Action, Awareness, Mental and Social Growth

MIXING IT UP

Presented by: Ryan Robinson, MFE and WLC trainer

Looking to mix things up at your chapter meetings? Want to take it to another level after the gavel taps? In this jam-packed session, we'll try out some fun and engaging ways to make your meetings a hit!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Professional Growth, Communication, Action

HABITUDES: LEADERSHIP CONNECTIONS

Presented by: Kerry Priest, Maximum Impact Group

You've heard a picture is worth a thousand words. Habitudes are images that teach you leadership truths. This session focuses on the art of connecting with others. We all influence the people around us, and you'll leave this session equipped to leverage your personal power to make a positive difference in the lives of others!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Action, Relationships, Social Growth

EXCEEDING YOUR LIMITS

Presented by: Jesse Eller, MFE and WLC Trainer and Carey Galliani, past state officer

Are you ready to challenge yourself in the area of physical growth and maintaining a healthy body? Then this is the workshop for you! Come join us as we leap into the world of identifying, valuing and managing our body's needs.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Physical Growth, Decision Making

FFA ROCKS AND ROLES!

Presented by: Stacia Berry and Christy Windham, past national FFA officers

Hey all you ROCKSTARS!!!! It is time to ROCK and ROLE with the National FFA Organization. This workshop will help you to identify ways to prioritize activities and utilize time management to get the most out of your day and life! In addition you can experience leadership and goal setting opportunities to help you rock your way to the top!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Vision, Character, Awareness, Mental & Emotional Growth, Decision Making

Student Workshops

INBOX OVERLOAD!

Presented by: Nick Fosheim, MFE and WLC trainer, and Becky Lambert, past state officer

Cell phones, e-mail, Facebook, text messaging, MySpace...we have instant communication at our fingertips. Do you use it purposefully? IDK! Dial in, log on and LOL as we discover how to make our instant connections meaningful... TTYL!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Communication, Awareness

"FOLLOWERSHIP" – CAN YOU FOLLOW THE LEADER?

Presented by: Rick Henningfeld, past BLAST-Off trainer, and Ron Henningfeld, past WLC and MFE trainer

So much emphasis is placed on leadership yet, in actuality, we spend most of our time as followers. Effective following is the foundation to every group's success. So let's take a little time to hone in on what it takes to be an effective follower...it may help you be a better leader.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Social Growth, Professional Growth, Action, Relationships

"CLIQUE" IT OFF!

Presented by: Grace Berryhill, past state officer; Whitney Danker, MFE and WLC trainer, and Marcus Hollan, MFE and WLC trainer

Do you feel like your high school is auditioning for Mean Girls Part Two? Are cliques taking over the school or your chapter? We all sometimes feel as if we are on the outside looking in, or perhaps we are on the inside wanting out. Breaking down the barriers in our schools and chapters seems to be a diffi-

cult and almost impossible task, but not every student group needs to be a clique. Get ready to "Clique" it off!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Relationships, Social Growth

FROM SERVICE TO SERVUS

Presented by: Aaron Preston, MFE and WLC trainer

You've heard that true leaders serve others. But how do you take service beyond projects in your community? Join in to find out how to take service from just a project we do to taking ownership in our community and leading a true life of serving others!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Character, Awareness, Action

LEARNING TO LEAD

Presented by: Ted Wiese, Wiese Training and Development, LCC

Known as one of America's best youth leadership presenters, Ted Wiese will inspire, motivate and educate students on ways they can enhance their leadership skills. Interactive, humorous and thought provoking, this workshop will focus on overcoming the fear of failure, how to turn mistakes into stepping stones for success and the power of being part of the solution instead of part of the problem. With wit, wisdom, real-life stories and a whole lot of fun, this workshop will leave students with information and skills to take back to school, ideas to put into action, and something good to talk about in the days and months ahead.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Flexibility/Adaptability, Mental Growth, Action

BE TRUE TO WHAT YOU BELIEVE

Presented by: Kiwanis International Key Leaders Program

An interactive exploration of personal values and how they affect a student's daily life. Explore the challenges of family, homework, best friends, school, work, and all you face each day. Reflect on your present values and how they dictate those daily choices. Experience what students across North America and beyond have gained from the Kiwanis Key Leader Program.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**

Vision, Character, Spiritual Growth

VETERINARIANS: KEEPING ANIMALS AND PEOPLE HEALTHY

Presented by American Veterinary Medical Association

Are you ready for a future that combines animal science with high tech medicine? Are you interested in a challenging career that preserves and protects all species of animals and the environment? Do you want to be part of a profession on the leading edge of homeland security, food safety, public health and NASA? Join us to learn about the exciting opportunities available to today's veterinarians.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**

Technical/Function Skills in Agriculture

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN - A CAREER FOR YOU?

Veterinary technicians promote and maintain good health in animals, care for diseased and injured animals and assist in the control of diseases transmissible from animals to humans. Working with veterinarians, bio-medical researchers and other scientists, veterinary technicians are a valuable member of the animal health care delivery team. Come and

discover if this is a career for you!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**

Technical/Function Skills in Agriculture, Decisions Making

QUADOLOGY...RIDE SMART

Presented by Farm Safety 4 Just Kids

A quad, a 4-wheeler, an ATV—whatever you call it, make it safe. Learn from outstanding FFA members' experiences in an interactive session on safety. "You and six of your friends, riding your four-wheeler with no helmets while wearing shorts and flip-flops—Come on! We're smarter than that!" The safe way is the only way. Ride smart.

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**

Decision Making

LEARN, LEAD, SUCCEED WITH THE U.S. ARMY

Presented by: U.S. Army

Being a member of FFA, just like being a soldier, helps young people develop the physical, mental and spiritual strength they need to succeed in life. U.S. Army-sponsored Professional Cowboy Trevor Brazile will lead this interactive session with real-world lessons about leadership and positive goal-setting. A U.S. Army Special Forces soldier, a U.S. Army Drill Sergeant, a U.S. Army Veterinarian Corp members and representatives from International Truck and Engine will conduct trust-building and leadership exercises focused on the Army core values: loyalty, duty, respect, selfless-service, honor, integrity and personal courage. HOOAH!

► **Student's Area of Enrichment:**

Character, Action, Awareness, Emotional Growth, Vision



HOW TO AVOID THE FRESHMAN FIZZLE*Presented by National PAS Officers*

Once you graduate high school, college can be a challenging place. In this workshop you will learn how to avoid fizzling out when you get to college. Come to this program to learn how to conquer college life.

PITCH FORKS AND TEST TUBES*Presented by National PAS Officers*

Agriculture careers have changed over the past 100 years and so has how to prepare yourself for them. In this workshop learn how you can be better prepared for your future career on the farm or in the lab through experiences at the post secondary level.

START SPREADING THE NEWS*Presented by National Collegiate Agricultural Ambassadors*

Join the new National Collegiate Agricultural Ambassadors and find out how you can influence and activate your community by sharing the importance of agriculture. You'll be provided with a lot of great information that will help you better understand the full scope of agriculture and give you ideas on ways to inspire your community.

**MAKING COLLEGE A REALITY—
UNDERSTANDING EDUCATIONAL LOANS!***Presented by GMAC
Automotive and
GMAC Bank*

This is a two-part workshop with the first part focusing on credit and the final part focusing on educational loans.

- **Student's Area of Enrichment:**
Professional Growth, Vision

**STUDENT WORKSHOP TIMES
AND LOCATIONS****Wednesday, October 24****3:30 p.m.****Inbox Overload!***ICC, Wabash 1***Mixing it Up***ICC, Wabash 2***FFA ROCKS and ROLES!***ICC, Wabash 3***Thursday, October 25****8:30 a.m.****Inbox Overload!***ICC, Wabash 1***Mixing it Up***ICC, Wabash 2***FFA ROCKS and ROLES!***ICC, Wabash 3***9 a.m.****Chapter Superheroes***ICC, Room 121-122***'Clique' it Off!***ICC, Room 123-124***Start Spreading the News***ICC, Room 208-209***10:30 a.m.****From Service to ServUS***ICC, Wabash 1***FFA ROCKS and ROLES!***ICC, Wabash 2***"Followership" – Can You Follow the Leader?***ICC, Wabash 3***11 a.m.****Learn, Lead, Succeed with the U.S. Army***ICC, Room 121-122***"Clique" it Off!***ICC, Room 123-124***Quadology...Ride Smart***ICC, Room 208-209***12:30 p.m.****Veterinarians...Keeping Animals and People Healthy***ICC, Wabash 1***Habitudes: Leadership Connections***ICC, Wabash 2***1 p.m.****Exceeding Your Limits***ICC, Room 121-122***FFA ROCKS and ROLES!***ICC, Room 123-124*

STUDENT WORKSHOP TIMES AND LOCATIONS *(continued)*

Thursday, October 25 *(continued)*

2:30 p.m. From Service to ServUS
 ICC, Wabash 1
 Chapter Superheroes
 ICC, Wabash 2
 "Followership" – Can You Follow the Leader?
 ICC, Wabash 3

3:30 p.m. Learn, Lead, Succeed with the U.S. Army
 ICC, Room 121-122
 Exceeding YOUR Limits
 ICC, Room 123-124
 Start Spreading the News
 ICC, Room 208-209

4:30 p.m. Mixing it Up
 ICC, Wabash 1
 'Clique' it Off!
 ICC, Wabash 2

Friday, October 26

8:30 a.m. Be True to What You Believe
 ICC, Wabash 1
 Veterinarians...Keeping Animals and
 People Healthy
 ICC, Wabash 2
 "Followership"...Can You Follow the Leader?
 ICC, Wabash 3

9 a.m. From Service to ServUS
 ICC, Room 121-122
 Pitch Forks & Test Tubes
 ICC, Room 123-124
 Chapter Superheroes
 ICC, Room 208-209

10:30 a.m. Be True to What You Believe
 ICC, Wabash 1
 Inbox Overload!
 ICC, Wabash 2
 Mixing it Up
 ICC, Wabash 3

Friday, October 26 *(continued)*

11 a.m. Habitudes: Leadership Connections
 ICC, Room 123-124
 Learning to Lead
 ICC, Room 208-209

12:30 p.m. Chapter Superheroes
 ICC, Wabash 1
 Veterinary Technician: A Career For You?
 ICC, Wabash 2
 Mixing it Up
 ICC, Wabash 3

1 p.m. "Followership" – Can You Follow the Leader?
 ICC, Room 123-124
 Learning to Lead
 ICC, Room 208-209

2:30 p.m. From Service to ServUS
 ICC, Wabash 1
 Pitch Forks & Test Tubes
 ICC, Wabash 2
 Quadology...Ride Smart
 ICC, Wabash 3

3 p.m. How to Avoid the Freshman Fizzle
 ICC, Room 121-122
 Habitudes: Leadership Connections
 ICC, Room 123-124
 Veterinary Technician: A Career For You?
 ICC, Room 128-129

4:30 p.m. How to Avoid the Freshman Fizzle
 ICC, Wabash 2

Saturday, October 27

9 a.m. FFA ROCKS and ROLES!
 ICC, Wabash 1
 'Clique' it Off!
 ICC, Wabash 2
 Exceeding Your Limits
 ICC, Wabash 3
 Inbox Overload!
 ICC, Room 121-122

School Officials' Experience

ATTEND, EXPERIENCE, EDUCATE...

Sponsored By



- Spend time with FFA members from your school
- See and hear firsthand how FFA and agricultural education help build bright futures for a half million students across the nation
- Catch a glimpse of more than 300 diverse career opportunities available in the agriculture industry
- Learn about science-based agriculture curricula, service learning activities, student-based leadership and the LifeKnowledge Leadership curriculum
- See the products of student learning in the agriscience fair, career development events and national finals events
- Visit with officials from other schools about what is happening in their agricultural education programs and schools
- Learn how agricultural education and FFA can impact the success of your students

ATTEND THE 80TH NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

Experience the excitement of more than 50,000 agriculture education students, teachers and guests who all have gathered to celebrate their blue jacket and bright futures.

Educate yourself about the tremendous impact agriculture education and FFA can have on your students, your school and your community. National Starch understands the importance of rigorous and relevant coursework in math and science in the classroom and believes that FFA showcases these themes throughout their coursework. We believe in the mission of the organization, making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success. We invite you to attend the school officials' experience, as well as the national FFA convention, so you can see firsthand what a positive difference the organization makes in the lives of students across the country.

The School Officials' Experience is a program designed to assist states and chapters who bring school officials with them to the national FFA convention. This experience allows school officials to witness, firsthand, the integral role FFA plays in a comprehensive agricultural education program.

Participants in the school officials' experience will receive free convention registration as well as an educational packet designed to develop better understanding of the comprehensive agricultural education program, which includes FFA. This packet will allow chapter advisors the opportunity to enhance the experience their school officials' receive when attending the national FFA convention.

Chapters who register their school officials as a part of their chapter via the online process will receive a free registration for all qualified school officials. This feature is available to all school administrators, district administrators and counselors. Watch the national convention website for additional information concerning the school officials experience program.



INTERACTIVE CLASSROOMS

Teacher Professional Development

LOCATED IN THE CAREER SHOW

Agriculture educators, are you looking for ways to incorporate innovative methods, new technology and current issues into your classrooms? If so, attend the Interactive Classrooms workshops and learn how to make your classroom come to life. You'll discover innovative ideas and activities, receive free curriculum and learn methods that will increase student involvement and interest. Workshops are conducted throughout the day at hour-and-a-half intervals for each day of the career show. Professional Learning Units will be offered for each session attended. Check the schedule below and plan your agenda. Please check the educator workroom at www.ffa.org/ageducators for updates.

Wednesday, October 24

Thursday, October 25

Friday, October 26

2 – 6 p.m.

9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

DUPONT AGRISCIENCE CLASSROOM

Agriscience Institute



Sponsored by DuPont Center for Collaborative Research and Education

Participants attending the DuPont Agriscience Institute workshop sessions will receive a workshop sampler kit that includes copies of the lessons being presented as well as some of the equipment being used.

SOIL EROSION AND TESTING FOR FERTILIZER IN THE RUN-OFF

Erosion and deposition are among major challenges in maintaining a productive agricultural environment. During this session, investigate the use of a stream table to model what happens when excess rainwater flows over a field that has been recently fertilized. You will test fertilized and unfertilized soils for the presence of nitrates (NO_3). Then test the nitrate level found in the run-off water that is not absorbed by the soil. How does this affect our local water supply? Discuss the trade-offs of fertilizer use in order to increase agricultural output as a sustainable practice.

BIOFUELS: BY-PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION

Gas prices? Fuel shortages? What are the solutions? Examine various aspects of the issue of whether or not the production and use of ethanol fuels should be promoted. Compare the potentially polluting by-products formed during the combustion of two types of fuel – kerosene and ethanol. Pollutants produced are either particulate or gaseous. Air pollution policies and regulations address only local and regional air quality impacts and problems. None cover emissions of CO_2 and the



Interactive Classes

global impacts and risks associated with them. Investigate the chemistry of combustion reactions—the amount of energy released during combustion and the results of incomplete combustion.

BIOFUELS: FUELING TRADE-OFFS

How much energy is there when you compare two fuels – kerosene or ethanol? Determine which one releases more energy when it combusts and calculate the amount of heat produced by burning a fuel. Compare some of the chemical wastes produced. Decide which fuel is better for use in automobiles and other vehicles and identify the trade-offs in attempting to create the perfect fuel such as energy content, cost, environmental impact and convenience. Examine and consider information about the use of other alternative energy sources. The ability to provide energy in a sustainable way is necessary to our efforts to not deplete resources needed for the future and do not cause serious environmental damage.

HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING?

Will “lily juice” make lab rats smarter? When does too much of a good thing become a bad thing? Does it make a difference if one rat is bigger than another? Using simulated toxicology tests, students will answer these questions and more. Through a series of simulated toxicology tests, students determine the acute effects of “lily juice” on their lab rats. Based on their findings, students then design another simulated experiment to determine if body mass changes the positive and negative threshold doses.



THRESHOLDS, CONCENTRATION, INDICATORS AND TRADE-OFFS

What are the uses of citric acid in the food industry? How do food scientists determine “tasty” from “unpleasant?” Why is there a need to test products for consumer safety? Perform a serial dilution to determine your physical taste threshold then the chemical threshold for citric acid. In addition, students will be introduced to the quantitative measurements of parts per million (ppm) and parts per billion (ppb). From these two experiments, students will analyze data so that the trade-offs of using chemical versus sensory thresholds to determine concentration can be considered with evidence.

NATURAL SELECTION AND ANTIBIOTIC-RESISTANT BACTERIA

Did you know that 40 percent of the antibiotics manufactured in the U.S. are given to animals? The use of antibiotics in agriculture can also contribute to the rise of antibiotic-resistant microbes. During this session, we will explore the effects of antibiotics on the population of the disease-causing bacteria during an infection. Why is it important to administer the antibiotic as prescribed? During this simulation, data is collected and graphed representing populations of more- and less-resistant bacteria. This activity models the natural selection of more-resistant bacteria that can take place if antibiotic treatment is intermittent or discontinued prematurely.



THE DTN AGRICULTURE BUSINESS AND MARKETING CLASSROOM

INTEGRATING UP-TO-THE- MINUTE AGRICULTURE INFORMATION INTO YOUR CLASSROOM



Sponsored by DTN

Learn through three rotating, interactive sessions brought to you by the experts at DTN. Experience how to enhance your agriculture curriculum through services provided by DTN and its products. Sessions will demonstrate how to use up-to-the-minute agriculture business and market information in your daily curriculum. The session will be hands-on and interactive through computer workstations.

The DTN Price Risk Management Curriculum is designed to teach students the basics of what a market is, who the players are, what affects a market and how to take advantage of market movements.

Market Basics

Module I will begin with the basics of what makes a market and what drives it.

- What is a market
- How a market works
- Risk management examples

How to Take Advantage of Market Opportunities

- Introduction to hedging strategies
- Futures contracts
- Option contracts
- Cash markets
- Other methods (government programs, insurance)

What to Watch for in a Market

- Trend
- Noncommercial Traders
- Commercial Traders
- Seasonal Tendencies
- Price Probability
- Volatility

INTERACTIVE CLASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Oct. 24	Location
2 - 6 p.m.	Career Show
Thursday, October 25	
9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Career Show
Friday, October 26	
9 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Career Show

NATIONAL DAYS OF SERVICE

The National FFA Days of Service has been expanded to Thursday, Oct. 25 and Friday, Oct. 26. This year our goal is to launch a day of service for more than 1,925 FFA members. FFA members will have the opportunity to volunteer at unique Indianapolis agencies and organizations that serve the community. Registration for these activities will occur through the online convention registration system. Educational workshops will be held each day providing information to FFA members on how to plan, launch and evaluate their own service projects. A special reception will be held Friday evening at 6 p.m. The following is a brief explanation of each service site, the various shifts and the number of participants per shift. Questions can be directed to NDS@ffa.org.



GLEANERS FOOD BANK (Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 168

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.
(42 participants)

Shift B (Thursday/Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.
(42 participants)

Description: FFA participants will engage in volunteer work on the Commodity Supplementary Food Program assembly line building boxes and filling each with forty pounds of USDA food. Participants will take part in both an informational and educational session; a tour of

the 83,000-square-foot facility to learn more about food banking; programs and services that can be reproduced in other communities; and how volunteerism is critical to food banks and feeding the hungry.

KEEP INDIANAPOLIS BEAUTIFUL – NATIONAL FFA CENTER (Thursday)

Anticipated Total Number of FFA Participants: 100

Shift A (Thursday): 7:30 - 11:45 a.m.

(25 participants)

Shift B (Thursday): Noon - 4:15 p.m.

(25 participants)

Description: FFA participants will volunteer to help beautify the national FFA offices. A daffodil planting will enhance these areas with a splash of color.

INDY PARKS KESSLER BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT (Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 252

Shift A (Thursday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(42 participants)

Shift B (Thursday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(42 participants)

Shift A (Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(184 participants)

Shift B (Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(184 participants)

Description: Experience and gain knowledge about being good urban land stewards through rejuvenation of land within the Kessler Park System of Indianapolis. FFA members will perform various landscape activities ranging from planting shade and ornamental trees and shrubs. These new areas will encourage new habitats for birds, butterflies and hummingbirds. FFA members will be working side by side with other partners, reinforcing the value of partnerships and recognition.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY (Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 120

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(30 participants)

Shift B (Thursday/Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(30 participants)

Description: FFA members will be working on three different homes in the Indianapolis area. Construction activities include installing siding, porch posts and beams. Students will also paint (interior and exterior) as well as work on neighborhood beautification.

JAMESON CAMP (Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 204

Shift A (Thursday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(60 participants)

Shift B (Thursday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(60 participants)

Shift A (Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(42 participants)

Shift B (Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(42 participants)

Description: Jameson Camp provides a residential camp for children ages 7-17 who are home schooled as well as children with special needs. FFA members will help landscape and remove invasive honeysuckle and other undesirable small trees that are taking over the wooded acreage on camp property. Jameson Camp relies on volunteers so that camp staff can focus on the needs of the Indianapolis-area youth.

STRIDES TO SUCCESS

(Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 168

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 7:30 - 11:45 a.m.

(42 participants)

Shift B (Thursday/Friday): noon - 4:15 p.m.

(42 participants)

Description: Strides To Success is a creative program designed to serve youth by providing unique learning opportunities that strengthen and develop lives by incorporating academic standards and character education while utilizing equines in an interactive farm setting. FFA members with knowledge of landscaping, building trades and equines are encouraged to attend and learn more about emerging careers now available.

INDIANA STATE FAIR COMMISSION

(Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 100

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(25 participants)

Shift B (Thursday/Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(25 participants)

Description: FFA members will help assemble a greenhouse that will serve as a learning environment for production agriculture on the Indiana State Fairgrounds. This will serve as a laboratory for students in late autumn, winter and early spring when Indiana's climate is not suitable for outdoor programming.



GIRLS INCORPORATED OF INDIANAPOLIS

(Friday afternoon ONLY)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 42

Shift B (Friday): Noon - 4 p.m.

(42 participants)

Description: Inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold, Girls Inc. is especially interested in learning the issues and culture of rural America. One in six rural youth lives below the poverty level. Young women from a rural background are encouraged to attend this event and learn how to engage their younger peers in programs that help young girls make informed choices about life. Female FFA members will gain knowledge of gender-equity issues and provide valuable input to direct future programs for girls.

INDIANAPOLIS ART CENTER

(Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 50

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 8 - 11:00 a.m.

(25 participants)

Description: Here is a chance for FFA members to experience a wonderful cultural event. The Art Center began providing Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) programming in 2000 as a response to the growing Latino population in Indianapolis. Members will participate in making crafts, building sets for art displays and preparing the grounds for this celebration.

MAPLELAWN FARMSTEAD INC.

(Thursday and Friday)

Anticipated Number of FFA Participants: 336

Shift A (Thursday/Friday): 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

(84 participants)

Shift B (Thursday/Friday): Noon - 4:25 p.m.

(84 participants)

Description: FFA members are being sought to help launch a living history and educational farmstead. Maplelawn will help future generations of Americans understand why farming is important and to experience the effect of heritage preservation in our communities. FFA members will take part in activities to help preserve barns, equipment and other valuable areas of the farm. FFA members with experience in landscaping, barn building, and general maintenance (painting and cleaning) are needed to help preserve an important part of American life. FFA members will also provide advice on what kinds of educational programs should be offered at Maplelawn.

Online Registration

Please consult the online convention system registration for the most up to date information.

Days of Service are made possible by Timberland and Toyota as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.



Convention Tours

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BLUE JACKETS
Bright Futures

80th NATIONAL
FFA CONVENTION
OCTOBER 24-27, 2007

CAREER SUCCESS TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

Career Success Tours require registration and cost \$10 per person. Register through the online convention registration. All tours originate from the Indiana Convention Center. Travel times are included in the itineraries shown.

CONNER PRAIRIE

Fishers, Ind.

This experience will acquaint guests with the unique challenges of incorporating innovation and technologies into a living history museum. Museum leaders will help attendees explore how to create effective relationships in a world fast becoming further removed from its natural and food resources. Compare Conner Prairie's techniques with today's slow food movement.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time

Wednesday: 1:15 - 4:45 p.m.

Friday: 10:15 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

DOW AGROSCIENCES

Indianapolis

This tour program consists of six interactive demonstrations which fall into three general categories:

Discovery – These tour stops demonstrate the basic research that goes into identifying genes and chemicals that have insecticidal or herbicidal properties.

Predevelopment – These tour stops describe how a potential product is analyzed and assessed in the lab and field.

Development – These tours highlight activities done during development to show the extensive environmental and health assessments that are carried out during product development prior to launch.

Available Spaces: 100 per tour time

Thursday: 7:45 – 11:15 a.m.;
9:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.; 11:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.; 1:45 – 5:15 p.m.

Friday: 7:45 – 11:15 a.m.; 9:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.; 11:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.; 1:45 – 5:15 p.m.

ENDANGERED SPECIES CHOCOLATE COMPANY

Indianapolis

Students will learn about the candy-making process from purchasing and production through shipping and will even get to make their own chocolate while on the tour!

Available Spaces: 20 per tour time

Wednesday: 1:15 - 4:00 p.m.

ENGLISH BUFFALO FARM & KEETON ELK FARM

Bainbridge, Ind.

Located one mile apart, students will have the opportunity to experience two different animal farms in one tour! Learn about processing, handling and retail operations on a bison farm. Discuss elk and cattle similarities. Learn about elk medical care, meat and handling equipment. Plenty of time is available to have your questions answered from two family farm operators who have grown their businesses in the past decade.

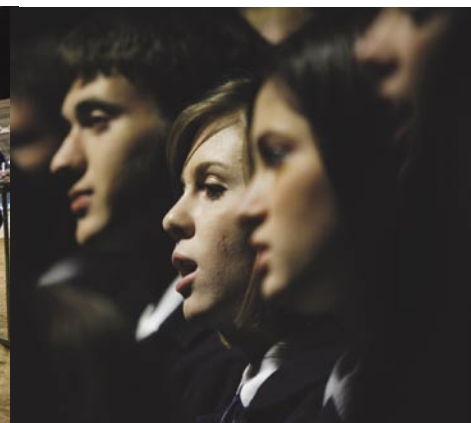
Available Spaces: 100 per tour time

Friday: 8:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
11:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

ELANCO ANIMAL HEALTH

Indianapolis

Elanco Animal Health produces and sells pharmaceuticals for the swine, poultry, beef, dairy and companion animal industries. This tour of one of the industry's top animal pharmaceutical companies will touch



Career Success Tours

on career opportunities within the company, which can range from research scientists discovering new molecules, to sales representatives who sell innovative products to customers. We will also be visiting the school of manufacturing and quality. This facility simulates manufacturing processes needed to teach employees how to produce safe, quality products in a sterile environment. We will cover how Elanco's products lead to the production of healthy and safer food and animals for you!

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.;
12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.;
12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

HOOSIER HORSE PARK Anderson, Ind.

FFA groups attending tours at Hoosier Park will get a behind the scenes look at Thoroughbred racing. The tour will begin in the grandstand area with a brief history of the track and tour of the television studio, stewards' stand, audio visual department, and general seating areas of the track. A trip to the jockey's quarters will allow FFA members into the locker room of the jockeys. Hoosier Park provides a bus tour to the backstretch. A driving tour is taken throughout the entire barn area to show the different aspects of the facility, such as track maintenance, dormitories, blacksmith shop, test barn for urine and blood collection from horses and the racing office facilities. The bus will

stop at one of the Thoroughbred barns where FFA members can interact with racehorses and talk with one of the trainers.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.;
11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.;
11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday: 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.;
9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY ETHANOL & THE INDYCAR SERIES

Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Speedway, Ind.

Full Speed for Renewable Energy! FFA members will have the opportunity to learn about the groundbreaking, headline-grabbing use of ethanol fuel in the IndyCar Series. Jeff Simmons, driver of the No. 17 Ethanol-sponsored IndyCar for Rahal Letterman Racing, will discuss the ways ethanol is being promoted through the IndyCar Series and the process by which the fuel is created, from farm field to processing plant to IndyCar fuel tank. Attendees will also visit the Hall of Fame Museum and see the famous Indianapolis racetrack.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 8:30 - 11:15 a.m.,
10:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

INDIANAPOLIS ZOO

Indianapolis

Participants will interact with zoo veterinarians and keepers to learn the work that zoos do to maintain genetically healthy populations of wild animals in their care. Topics of discussion will include training, population management and techniques used to successfully manage and breed endangered species in the zoo. The zoo's work with the African Elephant will be highlighted.

Available Spaces: 15 per tour time
Wednesday: 1:15 - 3:45 p.m.
Thursday: 1:15 - 3:45 p.m.

IUPUI CENTER FOR EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Indianapolis

Learn how research scientists and students at the Center for Earth and Environmental Science (CEES) and the Department of Earth Sciences at IUPUI are enhancing water quality and protecting drinking water resources through technologically advanced research and ecosystem restoration in urban environments. Through the Central Indiana Water Resources Partnership, CEES and Veolia Water Indianapolis, the drinking water provider for central Indiana, are studying the groundwater, streams, reservoirs and associated watersheds within central Indiana to improve drinking water quality and promote environmental stewardship and education. The tour group will visit

CEES and Earth Sciences laboratories at IUPUI to experience new technologies related to the CEES remote environmental monitoring network. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in demonstrations with the sophisticated environmental monitoring equipment used for studying water resources.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 8:45 – 11:45 a.m.;
 12:45 – 3:45 p.m.

JANSSEN VETERINARY CLINIC

Sheridan, Ind.

The staff of this six veterinarian equine and small animal practice will guide you through the facility. Learn about the educational process to become a veterinarian or veterinary technician. Experience multiple areas of cutting edge technology and equipment utilized in an equine practice.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 7 – 11 a.m.
Friday: 7 – 11 a.m.

LINCOLN COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Indianapolis

The diesel engine is the workhorse of the world. On a daily basis, in the U.S. and all over the world, goods need to be moved, things need to be built, people need mass transportation and within the agricultural community, we rely on diesel engines everyday. As a result, you are sure to find a diesel engine powering the equipment necessary to make all that happen. Its applications can be seen in many forms of transportation including buses, construction equipment, emergency vehicles, farm equipment, trains, trucks and more.

At Lincoln, students learn a wide variety of subject matter as it relates to this technology under industry guidelines. During your visit, attend an information seminar and demonstration about careers and opportunities in this growing industry.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 12:30 – 3 p.m.;
 2:30 – 5 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 – 11 a.m.; 10:30 – 1 p.m.

NATIONAL STARCH

Indianapolis

National Starch Food Innovation offers more than 200 kinds of specialty starches made from regular, waxy and high amylase corn and used in a host of applications across the food, paper and pharmaceutical industries. Students will learn about the industries and customers we serve, the agricultural supply chain needed to source the corn types required for these products, and some of the processes behind making these products.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 7:45 – 10:15 a.m.;
 9:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.; 1:45 – 4:15 p.m.
Friday: 7:45 – 10:15 a.m.;
 9:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.;
 1:45 – 4:15 p.m.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

West Lafayette, Ind.

Students will gain hands on experience in science and agriculture from Purdue University's College of Agriculture faculty and staff. Learn how agriculture and science are closely related and are shaping our world's food and natural resources systems.



Career Success Tours

Participate in experiments and other hands on lessons taught by top instructors at Purdue University. Lunch, provided by Crop Production Services, will be included in the tours.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.;
10:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

REYNOLDS FARM EQUIPMENT, INC.

Fishers, Ind.

A widely recognized family-owned and operated John Deere dealership, Reynolds Farm Equipment has been serving Central Indiana since 1955. When considering an agricultural-oriented career, you will gain some insight to facets of the business that you may not have considered. Learn about risk-management and crop insurance. Discover Agricultural Management Solutions [AMS] in regards to seeding, tillage and harvesting. Understand how farming practices have changed from modern day to minimum tillage. Find out about Bt versus refuge corn and our solution for planting effectively and efficiently as it relates to new laws in agriculture.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 12:15 – 3:45 p.m.
Friday: 7:15 – 10:45 a.m.

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY Pendleton, Ind.

Tractor Supply Company (TSC) is the leading retail farm and ranch store brand in America. Founded in 1938 as a mail order tractor parts business, TSC owns and operates more than 700 stores in over 33 states supplying daily farm and ranch maintenance supplies to a targeted customer base. Students will take a tour of the 750,000-foot distribution center that services nearly 200 tractor supply stores and learn about the career opportunities they could have in accounting, IT, human resources, logistics, transportation, merchandising, retail, or distribution, yet still be tied to the agriculture world.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m - 12:30 p.m.

TRADERS POINT FARM ORGANICS

Zionsville, Ind.

Take an in-depth look at three areas of operation at Traders Point. Experience an opportunity to talk with the Land and Livestock Manager as he gives a behind-the-scenes tour of the farm and explains organic farming and livestock methods. Hear the Creamery Manager as he gives a tour of the organic milk and cheese production. Learn from the Business Development Manager as he gives an overview of the business aspects and

marketing dimensions of a successful organic dairy.

Available Spaces: 50 per tour time
Thursday: 7:15 – 10:15 a.m.;
9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Friday: 7:15 – 10:15 a.m.;
9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Saturday: 7:15 – 10:15 a.m.

WHITE RIVER GARDENS Indianapolis

Participants will interact with the horticultural staff and learn about caring for the botanical collection both in the Gardens and the Zoo. Topics of discussion will include preserving endangered plants in Indiana, learning about plants in the Midwest growing region, and seeing how this beautiful landmark combines the best of gardening ideas, plant information and inspirational design to serve the needs of our visitors.

Available Spaces: 15 per tour time
Wednesday: 1:45 - 4:15 p.m.
Thursday: 1:45 - 4:15 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL TOURS DESCRIPTIONS

ARCHIVES FOR THE NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

www.ulib.iupui.edu/special/ffa/

317-274-0464

IUPUI University Library
Room 0133

755 W. Michigan St.,
Indianapolis

Travel time from the Convention Center: 10 minutes

"Living to Serve: The History of the National FFA Organization"

Come see the beginnings of YOUR organization and an understanding of what makes your organization so great! View the first charter granted to Weyers Cave in 1928, early convention photographs and films, paintings commissioned for FFA calendars, original proceedings and manuals. Relive past FFA experiences while creating your own.

Open: 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Groups: Unlimited

Cost: Free

ALBANESE CONFECTIONARY GROUP, INC.

www.albaneseconfectionary.com

219-947-3070

5441 E US 30, Hobart, Ind.

Travel Time from Convention

Center: 2 hours, 30 minutes

Learn about the gummi, chocolate, and nut processing processes done at the candy factory. Also enjoy various tastings along the tour.

Open: Mon-Sat., 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.,
Sun., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Groups: 20-60

Cost: Free

ALLISON TRANSMISSION

www.allisontransmission.com

317-242-0614

4700 W 10th St., Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 20 minutes

Get a general overview of Allison Transmission, international producer of medium and heavy duty transmissions, and a tour of our newest manufacturing facility. Call for reservations. Must have closed-toe shoes. Non-US citizens need documentation.

Open: 2 hour tour given
Oct. 23, 9 - 11 a.m.

Groups: Up to 50 participants

Cost: Free

BONNEYVILLE MILL

www.elkhartcountyparks.org

574-825-9324

53373 CR 131, Bristol, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 3 hours, 30 minutes

Visit the oldest continuously operating grist mill in Indiana. This site is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Open: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Self-guided and group tours

Groups: 10-25

Cost: \$2 per person

CARLEY ELK FARM

elk4u@carleyelkfarm.com

317-502-6999

29113 Hayworth Rd.,
Atlanta, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour

Carley Elk Farm raise Indiana's largest herd of elk bulls.



Educational Tours

Explore this alternative livestock niche operation by touring the farm and pastures, sample elk meat and discover the uses of elk through explanations and a Q&A session on elk cows, calves, bulls, and antlers.

Open: Anytime by appointment

Groups: Any group size welcome

Cost: \$5 per person

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF INDIANAPOLIS

www.childrensmuseum.org

317-334-4000

**3000 N Meridian St.,
Indianapolis**

Travel time from Convention

Center: 15 minutes

Join us at the World's Largest Children's Museum for an exploration in Biotechnology and Dinosaur Science! Explore the world of agricultural biotechnology in our Biotechnology Learning Center by doing hands-on activities. Then get a behind the scenes look and meet with our resident paleontologist to learn about the unique dinosaur fossils in the Dinosphere. After spending time with our science experts, discover the rest of our extraordinary museum at your own pace. Call to schedule your tour.

Open: Oct. 19-21; Oct. 23-28

Hours 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed Monday: Oct. 22

Groups: 10-20

Cost: \$7.50 (ages 2-17) \$9.50 (adults)

COLONEL ELI LILLY CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

www.in.gov/iwm

317-234-0238

**Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, Monument Circle,
Indianapolis**

Travel time from Convention

Center: 5 minutes

Located in the lower level of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, the museum displays various artifacts and information from the Civil War. Visitors can listen to actual letters sent to and from soldiers during the Civil War. Videos covering camp life, battles and the arduous task of marching help the visitor understand the experience of the soldier. Please call in advance to arrange a tour guide. Tour is free, elevator rides to the top of the monument are \$1.

Open: Everyday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Groups: 10-25

Cost: Tour is free, Elevator to top \$1

CONNER PRAIRIE

www.connerprairie.org

317-776-6000

**13400 Allisonville Rd.,
Fishers, Ind.**

Travel time from Convention

Center: 45 minutes

See the 1886 farm in operation, including the draft horses, jersey cows, hogs and sheep. Also explore the 1836 Prairietown site where the oxen work and see the Merino sheep, Durham cattle, Ossabaw Island hogs, and Dunghill chickens on

display. The story of agriculture is told at the Conner barn with "animal encounters" where you can "Ask the Ag Guys."

Open: Everyday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. except Oct. 22

Groups: 10-20

Cost: \$5 per person

CTB, INC.

www.ctbinc.com

**574-658-5125 - Reservation
Only**

611 N Higbee St., Milford, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 3 hours

Watch fabrication processes associated with the manufacture of feed and grain bins and other metal components in the Brock plant. Then travel to CTB's Chore-Time plant and view the fabrication of components for poultry and hog feeders, drinkers, and other components. Visitors will also get an overview of the products seen being manufactured and their uses in the field.

Open: One-hour tour begins at 10 a.m. on Oct. 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

Groups: 6-40

Cost: Free

DOW AGROSCIENCES

www.dowagro.com

Register: <http://2007dowagro/theregistrationsystem.com>

9330 Zionsville Rd.,

Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 30 minutes

SCHEDULE

FFA National Agricultural Career Show – ICC

Wednesday: 12:30-6 p.m.

Thursday: 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

FFA Shopping Mall – ICC

Wednesday and Thursday: 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m.-Noon

FFA Food Court – ICC

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday: Noon-2 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007

7 - 8 a.m. PALS Recognition Breakfast
 ICC, Room 109, 110

7:30 a.m. Prepared Public Speaking CDE, Marriott

7:30 a.m. Extemporaneous Public Speaking CDE,
 Westin

8 - 9 a.m. Delegate Public Hearings
 ICC, Rooms 105-108, 120-124

8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. CDE Team Photos, locations vary
 by event

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Agriscience Fair Set-up, RCA Dome

8 a.m. -5 p.m. Agriscience Student Finalists set-up,
 ICC, Career Show, Island D

9 a.m. Agricultural Sales
 ICC, Marriott

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. State Association Photos,
 RCA Dome Floor

9 - 10:30 a.m. PALS/Civic Engagement Conference
 ICC, Rooms 103, 104

9-10:45 a.m. Delegate Informational Sessions, ICC

9:30 a.m. Environmental/Natural Resources,
 ISF, Blue Ribbon Pavilion

10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Delegate Informational Sessions,
 ICC

11 a.m. Agricultural Issues Forum CDE, Westin

11:30 a.m. Horse Evaluation CDE, ISF, Exposition Hall

11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Delegate Welcome Luncheon, ICC

12 p.m. Agricultural Mechanics CDE,
 ISF, Champions Pavilion

12:30 p.m. Food Science and Technology CDE,
 ISF, Blue Ribbon Pavilion

12:30 - 6 p.m. Agriscience Institute
 ICC, Exhibit Halls F - G (career show)

1 p.m. Agronomy CDE, ISF, Pioneer Our Land Pavilion

1 p.m. Job Interview CDE, Crowne Plaza

1 p.m. Livestock Evaluation CDE, ISF, West Pavilion

1 p.m. Forestry CDE,
 ISF, Hyatt, Cosmopolitan Ballroom A, B

1 p.m. Farm Business Management CDE,
 Crowne Plaza - Illinois Street Ballroom

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007

1 - 5:30 p.m. National Chapter Selection
 ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 2, 6, 7

1 - 6 p.m. FFA Alumni Silent Auction
 ICC, 500 Ballroom

1:15 -3:15 p.m. Delegate Informational Sessions, ICC

1:15 -3:15 p.m. Delegate Session I, ICC

1:30 p.m. Agricultural Communications CDE,
 University Place, Ballroom

1:30 p.m. Nursery/Landscape CDE,
 ISF, Agriculture Horticulture Building

2:30 p.m. Poultry Evaluation CDE,
 ISF, Northwest Pavilion

3 p.m. Dairy Cattle Handlers Activity, ISF, West Pavilion

3 p.m. Floriculture CDE,
 ISF, Agriculture Horticulture Building

3 p.m. Parliamentary Procedure CDE,
 Hyatt Regency, Ballroom, A-D

3:30 p.m. Dairy Foods CDE, ISF, Blue Ribbon Pavilion

3:30 - 5 p.m. Leadership and Career Development Workshops
 ICC, Wabash 1-3, Rooms 121-124, 208, 209,

4 p.m. Dairy Cattle Evaluation CDE, ISF, West Pavilion

4 - 5 p.m. CLK Training Session and info, Hilton

4-5:45 p.m. Opening Session 1A, CF
 Keynote: Rick Rigsby, National Advisor's
 Challenge, Reflections

5 p.m. Marketing Plan CDE,
 Embassy Suites downtown, Coronation I, II

5:30 p.m. Meats Evaluation and Technology CDE,
 Hyatt, Cosmopolitan Ballroom, A-B

6 p.m. Hypnotist Show
 ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

6:30 - 8 p.m. Extemporaneous/Prepared Public
 Speaking Awards Dinner,
 Marriott, Ballroom VII-IX.

6 :30- 7 p.m. National Proficiency Finalists Reception
 Westin, Grand Ballroom IV

6:30 - 8 p.m. National Chapter Awards Dinner,
 Marriott Ballroom Salon I-VI

7-9 p.m. National Proficiency Finalists Orientation,
 Westin Grand Ballroom IV-V

7:15 -9 p.m. Opening Session 1B, CF
 Keynote: Rick Rigsby, National Advisor's
 Challenge, Reflections

8 p.m. Hypnotist Show
 ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

9:30 - 11:30 p.m. Concert, RCA Dome

10 p.m. Hypnotist Show
 ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007

7 a.m. Job Interview CDE, Crowne Plaza

7:30 a.m. Marketing Plan CDE, Embassy Suites downtown

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007

7:30 a.m. Parliamentary Procedure CDE, Hyatt

7:30 a.m. Food Science and Technology CDE,
 ISF, Blue Ribbon Pavilion

7:45 a.m. Poultry Evaluation CDE,
 ISF, Northwest Pavilion

8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Agriscience Fair Judging, RCA Dome

8 a.m. Agricultural Communications CDE,
 University Place, Auditorium

8 a.m. Agricultural Issues Forum CDE, Semi Finals
 Westin, Capitol I, II

8 a.m. Agronomy CDE, ISF, Pioneer Our Land Pavilion

8 a.m. Creed Speaking CDE, Marriott

8 a.m. Dairy Cattle Handlers' Activity,
 ISF, West Pavilion

8 a.m. Dairy Foods CDE, ISF, Blue Ribbon Pavilion

8 a.m. Environmental/Natural Resources CDE, Purdue
 University, bus leaves ICC at 6:30 a.m.

8 a.m. Farm Business Management CDE,
 Crowne Plaza, Illinois Street Ballroom

8 a.m. Floriculture CDE,
 ISF, Agriculture Horticulture Building

8 a.m. Forestry, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis,
 bus leaves ICC at 7 a.m.

8 a.m. Horse Evaluation CDE, ISF, West Pavilion

8 a.m. Livestock Evaluation CDE, ISF, West Pavilion

8 a.m. Prepared Public Speaking CDE Holding and Finals,
 ICC, Finals Hall

8 - 10 a.m. Opening Session 1C, CF
 Keynote: Rick Rigsby, National Advisor's
 Challenge, Reflections

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Leadership and Career Development
 Workshops
 ICC, Wabash 1-3, Rooms 121-124, 208, 209

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. H.O. Sargent Award Selection
 ICC, Room 201

8:30 a.m. Dairy Cattle Evaluation CDE,
 ISF, West Pavilion

9 a.m. - 6 p.m. FFA Alumni Silent Auction
 ICC, 500 Ballroom

9 a.m. Agricultural Mechanics CDE,
 ISF, Champion Pavilion

9 a.m. Meats Evaluation and Technology CDE,
 University of Illinois, Champaign, bus
 leaves ICC at 7 a.m

9 a.m. Nursery/Landscape CDE,
 ISF, Agriculture Horticulture Building

9:30 a.m. Agricultural Sales CDE,
 ICC, Marriott, Indiana Ballroom

10 a.m. Extemporaneous Public Speaking CDE
 Holding and Finals,
 ICC, Finals Hall

10-11 a.m. Collegiate workshops, Hilton

Event Schedule

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007

10 – 11:30 a.m. National Proficiency Finalist Photo Session, Westin Grand Ballroom IV, V
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Delegate Session II CF
11:30 a.m. - noon Stars Over America Reception, Sheraton City Centre
Noon - 1:30 p.m. National Proficiency Finalists Award Luncheon, Marriott Ballroom, I-X
Noon - 1:30 p.m. Stars Over America Luncheon, Sheraton City Centre
1- 5:30 p.m. Agriscience Student Finals, Marriott, Columbus Ballroom
1 p.m. Agricultural Issues Forum CDE Holding Finals ICC, Finals Hall
1:30 - 5 p.m. National Proficiency Finals and Stars Award Judging, Hyatt, ICC, Sheraton City Centre, and Westin
2 - 4:30 p.m. Second Session, CF Retiring Address: Kacy Baugher, State Membership Awards, Models of Innovation, National Chapter Award
3 - 4 p.m. Collegiate Workshop, Hilton
4 - 6 p.m. FFA Alumni Awards Session, ICC, Rooms 205-207
5:45 - 7 p.m. National FFA Talent Revue, CF
6 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5
6 p.m. Creed Speaking CDE Awards Dinner, Marriott, Ballroom VII-IX
7-9 p.m. Bulls and Broncs, Season Finale, Pepsi Coliseum, ISF
7:30-10 p.m. Third Session, CF Retiring Address: Coty Back, Sponsor Recognition, Past National Officer Recognition, Stars Over America
8 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5
8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Collegiate Houseparty, NCAA Hall of Champions (shuttle will pick up at Hilton)
9:30 p.m. -12 a.m. Concert, RCA Dome
10 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007

7:30 a.m. Parliamentary Procedure CDE Semi-Finals, Hyatt, Regency Ballroom
7 - 9 a.m. Agri-Entrepreneurship Awards Breakfast Westin, Council
8 -10:30 a.m. Fourth Session, CF Keynote: Chad Hymas, Retiring Address: Janette Barnard, DSC & VIP Citations, Honorary American Degree Ceremony
8 - 9:30 a.m. FFA Alumni Convention Delegate Registration ICC, Rooms 205 - 207

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007

8 a.m. Marketing Plan CDE Holding and Finals, ICC, Finals Hall
8:30 a.m. CDE Awards Breakfast: Agricultural Mechanics, Horse Evaluation and Job Interview, locations vary by event
8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Leadership and Career Development Workshops ICC, Wabash 1-3, Rooms 121-124, 208-209
9 a.m. - Noon Agriscience Teacher of the Year Selection Marriott, Phoenix Room
9 a.m. - 2 p.m. FFA Alumni Silent Auction ICC, 500 Ballroom
9:30 a.m. - Noon FFA Alumni Business Session ICC, Rooms 205 - 207
10 - 11 a.m. Collegiate Workshop, Hilton
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Distinguished Service Citation/ VIP Award/Honorary American Degree Reception Omni Severin Ballroom
11 a.m. Agricultural Sales CDE Award Luncheon, Marriott, Indiana Ballroom E, F, G
11:15 a.m. Creed Speaking CDE Holding and Finals, ICC, Finals Hall
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Agriscience Awards Luncheon, Union Station, Grand Ballroom
Noon - 2 p.m. CDE Award luncheons, Agricultural Issues, Agronomy, Dairy Cattle Evaluation/ Handlers, Farm Business Management, Nursery/Landscape, locations vary by event.
Noon-1:30 p.m. Fifth Session, CF Retiring Address: Jennifer Himburg, HO Sargent Award, National Officer Candidate Intros, Ag Entrepreneurship Awards, National Advisor and School Recognition
12:30 p.m. Parliamentary Procedure CDE Finals ICC, Finals Hall
2 - 3 p.m. Collegiate Workshop, Hilton
2 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Rooms 205 - 207
3 - 4:30 p.m. Sixth Session, CF Proficiency Awards
4 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Rooms 205 - 207
4 - 10 p.m. Alumni Auction Pick Up/Payment ICC, Room 113
4:30 - 7 p.m. National Leadership Dinner/ WLC Reunion, Westin, Grand Ballroom IV, V
5 - 6 p.m. FFA Alumni Auction Social ICC, 500 Ballroom
5-7 p.m. Xtreme Bulls, FFA Special Edition, Pepsi Coliseum, ISF
5:45 - 6:30 p.m. National FFA Band and Chorus Concert CF

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007

6 p.m. FFA Alumni Live Auction ICC, 500 Ballroom
6 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Rooms 205 - 207
6 p.m. CDE Awards Dinners: Agricultural Communications, Floriculture, Forestry, Livestock Evaluation, Marketing Plan, Meats Evaluation and Technology, Parliamentary Procedure, Poultry Evaluation, locations vary by event
7 -9 p.m. Seventh Session, CF Keynote: Henry Winkler, Retiring Address: Jamie Cecil, Public Speaking Awards, Agriscience Awards
7 - 9 p.m. American Degree Reception ICC, Sagamore Ballroom
7 - 11 p.m. Collegiate Social Event, Jillians
8 p.m. Hypnotist Show ICC, Rooms 205 - 207
9 -11 p.m. Xtreme Bulls, Season Finale, Pepsi Coliseum, ISF

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2007

7:45 -11:30 a.m. Eighth Session, American Degree Ceremony, RCA Dome
8 - 10 a.m. Alumni Auction Pickup/Payment ICC, 113
8:30 a.m. CDE Awards Breakfasts: Dairy Foods, Environmental/Natural Resources, Food Science and Technology, locations vary by event
9 a.m.-1 p.m. Collegiate Career Expo, ICC, 101-106
9 – 10 a.m. Leadership and Career Development Workshops, ICC, Wabash 1-3, Rooms 121-124, 208, 209,
10 a.m. FFA Alumni Mini-Auction for Unclaimed Items ICC, 500 Ballroom
1:30-5 p.m. NINTH SESSION CF Keynote: Mark Sanborn, Retiring Address: Beau Williamson, Delegate Reports, National Officer Parent Recognition, CDE Awards, Election of 07-08 National Officers

LEGEND

CF = Conesco Fieldhouse
ICC = Indiana Convention Center
ISF = Indiana State Fairgrounds

Career Development Events

Note: This schedule is subject to change
Not all event are open to public veiwing
Participating CDE Teams must reference their team orientation packet for a complete schedule of events.

Tour Dow AgroSciences world headquarters Research and Development building, where you will learn how products are discovered and developed while participating hands-on in demonstrations.

2 hour tours

October 22 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

October 23 at 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

October 24 at 8 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Groups: 50-100

Cost: Free

EITELJORG MUSEUM OF AMERICAN INDIANS & WESTERN ART

www.eiteljorg.org

317-275-1350 ext. 1

500 West Washington St., Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 5 minutes

The Eiteljorg Museum immerses visitors in the many cultures of the American West and Native America through exhibitions, special events, guided tours and hands-on interactive carts. The Eiteljorg is uniquely poised to tell the story of how agriculture and agricultural products shaped the lives of American Indians and Western settlers – the only museum in the Midwest to offer this unique combination.

Open: Tues., 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.;

Wed-Sat., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.;

Sun., 12 - 5 p.m.

Closed Monday

Cost: \$5 per person walk-in rate with FFA Badge

\$3 per person group rate available with advance registration

FAIR OAKS FARMS

www.fofarms.com

219-394-2025

856 N 600 E, Fair Oaks, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 2 hours, 10 minutes

Tour one of the largest dairy farms in the U.S. Enjoy more than 40 interactive exhibits, see ice cream and cheese being made and sample products.

Open: Mon-Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.;

Sun., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. All Times

Central Time

Groups: 10-250

Cost: \$3 per person

HATFIELD 7 DAIRY

Phone 740-893-2223

e-mail tours@mooschool.com

6582 Bennington Chapel Rd.,

Centerburg, Ohio

Seven generation 1,000 cow dairy, specializes in educational experiences including focus on environmental stewardship, hand on action and feed rations. Only 20 miles from Route 70 and 12 miles from I-71 and Route 36, north of Columbus. Welcomes FFA members to visit a production dairy and experience the science and advancements in today's dairy industry.

HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST (BROWNSTOWN RD)

www.fs.fed.us/r9/hoosier

812-275-5987

811 Constitution Ave.

Bedford, Ind.

Travel time to Convention

Center: 1 hour, 30 minutes

Enjoy three stops in the Hoosier National Forest to discuss agricultural practices of the early settlers, efforts by the CCC to stabilize soils, current management of the forest, and your bright future with the USDA Forest Service. Special features include demonstration of wilderness trail construction using mule drawn plow. Enjoy a spectacular view of the forest from the 1936 Hickory Ridge Fire Tower.

Open: Oct. 22, 23, 27 at

1 p.m.

Groups: 5-50

Cost: Free

HUNTER'S HONEY FARM

www.huntershoneyfarm.com

765-537-9430

3440 Hancock Ridge,

Martinsville, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour

Tour a real honey farm and watch bees in the live observation hive, candles dipped and honey extracted and bottled. Also, sample 12 different varieties of honey. Optional candle making, forestry tour and hive tour.

Open: Sun-Sat., 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Groups: 80 or less

Cost: \$3 per person

HURST BEANS

www.hurstbeans.com

317-634-6425

230 W McCarty St.,

Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 10 minutes

Educational Tours

Learn about the cleaning, processing and packaging of dried beans while visiting the NK Hurst Co. Attendees will discuss growing regions, nutrition and understand the marketing process for dried beans. We are not open to the public, please call for tour reservation.

Open: Mon-Fri., must call for reservation

Groups: 5 to 30

Cost: Free

INDIANA MEDICAL HISTORY MUSEUM

www.imhm.org

317-635-7329

**3045 W Vermont St.,
Indianapolis**

Travel time from Convention

Center: 15 minutes

This pathology building was described as the most modern lab in the world when it opened in 1896. The museum represents the beginning of scientific psychiatry and modern medicine while the building itself is the oldest surviving pathology facility in the nation and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum maintains a collection of scientific artifacts from the nineteenth and twen-

tieth centuries in a completely authentic setting.

Open: Wed-Sat., 10 a.m. with last tour at 3 p.m.

Groups: 5-50

Cost: \$1 per person

INDIANA STATE MUSEUM

www.indianamuseum.org

317-232-1637

**650 W Washington St.,
Indianapolis**

Travel time to Convention

Center: 5 minutes

On October 24-27, we will offer a "behind the scenes" tour of the museum. This is a curator led tour that will take the FFA students to places in the museum rarely seen by the general public. This is limited to 20 people per tour and is available on a first come, first served basis. Other tours may be available during the week. Sign up can be done at the ticket desk upon arrival or in advance beginning September 1, 2007 by calling 317-232-1637.

Open: Behind the Scenes tour available Oct. 24-27 at 2 and 4 p.m. each day.

Museum hours are Mon-Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun., 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Groups: 2 to 20

Cost: Tour is free with \$1 FFA Museum Admission

INDIANAPOLIS MUSEUM OF ART GARDEN TOUR

www.ima-art.org

317-920-2679

**4000 Michigan Rd.,
Indianapolis**

Travel time from Convention

Center: 30 minutes

Stroll through the historical landscape of the Oldfields estate. The 26-acre estate landscape was designed in the 1920's by the famous Olmsted Brothers firm. Some features include the Formal and Ravine gardens that contrast the natural and structured plantings. The tour includes 26 more acres of award-winning contemporary gardens. Admission to the Art Museum is free.

Open for tours: Tues - Fri., 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Closed Monday

Groups: 50 or less

Cost: 1-25 person - \$25;
26-50 person - \$50



INDIANAPOLIS ZOO

www.indianapoliszoo.com
1200 W Washington St.,
Indianapolis
Travel time from Convention
Center: 5 minutes

Check out the educational opportunities on www.indianapoliszoo.com and book your tours directly on the web. All educational tours need a two-week notice. White River Gardens are included in the tour admission.

Hours: Check the website for the latest information.

Cost: \$6 per person

INTEGRITY BIOFUELS

www.integritybiofuels.com
765-763-6020
780 Industrial Dr.,
Morristown, Ind.
Travel time from Convention
Center: 45 minutes

Students will learn the process of taking soybean oil and converting it to biodiesel. We will discuss the biodiesel industry and its projected path for the future. The plant tour will show the processor used for production and the load-out facility used for distribution. Students will have a chance to see how

we can reduce our dependence on petroleum oil and capture fuel from our fields.

Open: Mon-Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Please schedule in advance.

Groups: 5 to 30

Cost: Free

KEETON ELK FARM

www.elkfarm.com
317-852-8960
7838 US 231,
Bainbridge, Ind.
Travel time from the
Convention Center: 1 hour

See our 200 elk herd on 175 acres including calves and bulls with antlers. Learn about our handling equipment while viewing and petting our bottle calves. Plenty of time for questions! We are not open to the public so please call to arrange your tour.

Open: Oct. 19, 20, 27
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Groups: 15-55

Cost: Free

KELSAY FARMS

www.kelsayfarms.com
317-535-4136
6848 N 250 E
Whiteland, Ind.
Travel time from Convention
Center: 25 minutes

Come and visit the 1970 Star Farmer of America's dairy farm! Kelsay Farms, a sixth generation family farm operating since 1837, milks 500 cows 3 times a day. The tour focuses on the milking system, feed management, manure management, and the benefits and challenges of farming within miles of a large city. Other highlights include information on dairy foods and nutrition, a dairy snack and a complimentary gift. New in 2007 - a cow corn maze! FFA has been an important part of our family's history and we hope to see you during the convention!

Open: Everyday 9 a.m. - noon,
 3 - 6 p.m. Call for a tour reservation.

Groups: 10-100

Cost: \$5 per person



Educational Tours

LINCOLN COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY / LINCOLN TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

7225 Winton Drive #128
Indianapolis
1-800-554-4465

From its beginnings as Lincoln Technical Institute in 1946 to its current status as one of the nation's leading providers of career education and training, Lincoln Educational Services Corporation ("Lincoln") is committed to providing students with the quality, hands-on skills and training they need to succeed in an ever-changing employment landscape. In Indianapolis, the Lincoln College of Technology has been in its new location since 2004, and was founded in Indy in the early 1960's.

Open: Thurs., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Fri., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Groups: 5 to 300

Cost: Free

MONTGOMERY FARMS

www.montgomery-farms.com
812-752-2300

1122 Radio Tower Rd.,
Underwood, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour, 30 minutes

See how a determined farm family has carved out a niche market by converting a farming operation into a playground for urban folk to experience a farming environment and a taste of the country life. Starting with a corn maze in 2000, Montgomery Farms has expanded into over twenty activities including a gift shop, pumpkins, fall flowers, Indian corn, corn cob

cannons, barn loft swings, petting zoo, straw pyramids, cow trains and many other products. All scheduled FFA tour participants will participate in a short seminar discussion and will receive a complimentary pass to the corn forest/maze and forest hayride.

Open: Mon-Sat., 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Groups: 5 - 300

Cost: Free

POE HAMPSHIRE

www.poehamps.com
317-738-0863

2213 West SR 144,
Franklin, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 30 minutes

This sheep farm was established in 1945 and continues to be at the forefront of purebred Hampshire genetics. Experience a fall tour of the operation's 400 brood ewes, learn about artificial insemination, and see our modern facilities, including a full lambing group.

E-mail poehamps@yahoo.com to schedule tour.

Open: Oct. 22-26, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Groups: 5-30

Cost: \$5 per person

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

www.purdue.edu/go/inag
765-494-8470

615 W State St.,
W Lafayette, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour, 15 minutes

Learn about Purdue University! Tour the campus with Purdue students and see the beautiful sites of our campus. Enjoy hearing about Purdue from admissions representatives and current students.

Open: Oct. 23 and 24

Tours begin at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day

Groups: 120 and less

Cost: Free

SOUTHSIDE LANDFILL / CROSSROADS GREENHOUSE

dyoung@ssidelandfill.com
317-247-6808

2561 Kentucky Ave.,
Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 15 minutes

Operating since 1971, more than 100 methane gas wells have been inserted directly into the solid waste of the landfill, pulling the methane gas out and transferring it to Crossroads Greenhouse, one of the largest methane gas controlled greenhouses in the nation.

Open: Everyday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Groups: 10-65

Cost: Free

TRADERS POINT CREAMERY

www.traderspointcreamery.com

317-733-1700 ext. 31

9101 Moore Rd.,

Zionsville, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 30 minutes

Take a walking tour of this beautiful working farm. We'll take you past grazing pastures and through the entire milking operation ending with a delicious taste of chocolate milk and yogurt.

Open: Mon., Tues., Thurs., (afternoon), Fri., (afternoon),
 Call for available tour times.

Wed., 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.,
 FFA Day at the Farm,
 see website for details.

Groups: 5-30

Cost: \$3 per person

TUTTLE ORCHARDS

www.tuttleorchards.com

317-326-2278

5717 N 300 W,

Greenfield, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 35 minutes

See a broadly diversified horticulture business growing apples, vegetables and greenhouse crops. Apple tour focuses on explanation of apple production including observation of bee-hive, apple storage, sorting and cider production. Each person will pick an apple and receive a free glass of cider. Pumpkin tours available. Farm market is on site.

Open: Tours must be reserved.

Market hours Mon-Wed.,

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Thurs-Sat.,

9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Closed Sundays

Groups: 10-30, can accommodate multiple groups

Cost: \$2.50 per person

TWINROCKER HANDMADE PAPER

www.twinrock.com

765-563-3119

100 E Third St., Brookston, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour, 20 minutes

Learn about the history and practice of the ancient craft of paper making and watch a master papermaker forming sheets by hand. Also, each person will receive a sample of Twinrocker handmade paper.

Open: Mon-Fri., beginning at 9 a.m. Call for more extensive tour options and prices.

Groups: 13-50

Cost: \$4 per person

WATERMAN'S FARM MARKET

www.watermansfarmmarket.com

317-357-2989

7010 E Raymond St.,

Indianapolis

Travel time from Convention

Center: 20 minutes

See a Hoosier Homestead farm incorporating agritourism as a means to keep the family farm operating profitably. Tour

our produce farm with a retail outlet offering in-season produce. Experience our Fall Harvest Festival and take a narrated tour-guided hayride through the farm fields. See interpretive displays on the festival grounds and hands-on activities involving grains, farm animals and farm equipment. We are a "Farm in the City" operating inside Indianapolis city limits while exemplifying Indiana farming tradition as it is adapting to the ever-changing urban environment.

Open: Everyday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Groups: 5-100

Cost: \$3 per person

WOLF PARK

www.wolfpark.org

765-567-2265

4004 E 800 N,

Battleground, Ind.

Travel time from Convention

Center: 1 hour, 20 minutes

View socialized gray wolves in a semi-natural setting, and learn about their behavior and ecology. Also see and learn about our coyotes, foxes and bison.

Open: Tues-Sun., 1-5 p.m. and
 Fri-Sat., 7:30-9 p.m. for Howl Night

Groups: Private tours for groups of 15+, call appointment

Cost: \$5-\$8 depending on age and group size

Visit the National FFA Center



Please Don't Forget!

While in Indianapolis, be sure to stop by the National FFA Center and National FFA Merchandise Center for a tour!

A. NATIONAL FFA CENTER

Tour the recently remodeled National FFA Center! Items of interest include: the FFA gardens, the past national officer gallery, Dr. Larry Case's office and FFA memorabilia.

Visit the convention website at www.ffa.org for driving directions and additional tour information.

B. NATIONAL FFA MERCHANDISE CENTER

Stop by the newly constructed National FFA Merchandise Center for a brief tour! Located within a few miles of the National FFA Center and built as the new home of the FFA Supply Service, the Merchandise Center allows a glimpse into the behind the scenes operations including the engraving of over a million letters a year on plaques and awards.

Visit the convention website at www.ffa.org for driving directions and additional tour information.

C. SHUTTLE TO THE FFA CENTER TOURS

Looking to avoid the hassle of directions and parking? A shuttle will run from the Indiana Convention Center downtown to both FFA Centers and return downtown for only \$10/person. The shuttle will run on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the national FFA convention. Shuttle times and tickets are available through online convention registration.

Tour Times for Both Locations:

Monday, Oct. 22	1 - 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 23	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 24	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 25	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 26	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 27	9 a.m. - noon

SHIPPING HOME MADE EASY

Thanks to UPS your chapter will be able to send a large package home, **FREE!**



Upon arrival to convention, please stop by the UPS booth in the Maryland Street Lobby and pick up your pre-addressed pre-paid shipping package! Enjoy gathering your great FFA items, fill the package, seal and drop in one of the UPS drop boxes in the convention center! It may beat you home!

C. CDE TOURS

Get at up-close look at CDEs with the walking tour! You can enjoy tours of agricultural mechanics, agronomy, dairy cattle evaluation, dairy foods, floriculture, food science and technology, livestock evaluation, nursery/landscape and poultry evaluation. Tours start in the lobby of the West Pavilion located at the Indiana State Fairgrounds at 9 a.m. and run every 20 minutes until noon. CDE tour guides will provide information regarding each event. No reservations are required and sign-up is available at the CDE Tour Registration Desk in the West

Pavilion lobby at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Shuttle buses will depart from Maryland Street on north side of the Indiana Convention Center for the Indiana State Fairgrounds. A convention badge or pass is required to ride the shuttle bus. Many CDEs, which are not featured on the tour, can be viewed according to schedules posted below. These include agricultural communications, agricultural issues forum, creed speaking, extemporaneous public speaking, marketing plan, parliamentary procedure and prepared public speaking.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

The following schedule lists public viewing opportunities for CDEs. Seating is limited at the discretion of the event superintendent. Participating teams, refer to your team orientation packet for a complete schedule.

AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS TEAM ACTIVITY FINALS

University Place Auditorium

Thursday, Oct. 25 2:30 - 5 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL ISSUES FORUM PRELIMINARY ROUND

Westin Hotel - Capitol, Cabinet, Caucus, Chamber and Council

Wednesday, Oct. 24 1 - 6 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL ISSUES FORUM SEMI FINALS

Westin Hotel - Capitol I and II

Thursday, Oct. 25 8 - 11:30 a.m.

AGRICULTURAL ISSUES FORUM FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Thursday, Oct. 25 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

CREED SPEAKING PRELIMINARY I AND II

Marriott Hotel - Texas, Michigan, Illinois and Florida Rooms

Thursday, Oct. 25 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

CREED SPEAKING SEMI FINALS

Marriott Hotel - Florida and Texas Rooms

Thursday, Oct. 25 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

CREED SPEAKING FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Friday, Oct. 26 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

Westin Hotel - Senate I-III, Grand Ballroom I

Wednesday, Oct. 24 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING SEMI FINALS

Westin Hotel - Grand Ballroom I and III

Wednesday, Oct. 24 1 - 4 p.m.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Thursday, Oct. 25 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MARKETING PLAN PRELIMINARY AND SEMI-FINALS

Embassy Suites Hotel - Ambassador I-III, Chancellor I-II

Thursday, Oct. 25 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

MARKETING PLAN FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Friday, Oct. 26 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE PRELIMINARIES

Hyatt Hotel - Regency Ballroom A-D

Thursday, Oct. 25 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE SEMI FINALS

Hyatt Hotel - Regency Ballroom A-D

Friday, Oct. 26 8 a.m. - noon

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Friday, Oct. 26 1 - 3 p.m.

PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING PRELIMINARIES AND SEMI FINALS

Marriott Hotel - Texas, Michigan, Illinois and Florida Rooms

Wednesday, Oct. 24 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

Indiana Convention Center - Sagamore Ballroom 3-5

Thursday, Oct. 25 9 - 10:30 a.m.

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8 STEPS TO CONVENTION PLANNING SUCCESS

With so many activities to choose from during the national FFA convention, it's a good idea to have a plan. Make the most of your chapter's time at convention by following these eight easy steps!

STEP 1 Using the Convention Planning Grid on page 45, schedule all essential activities. These include any meetings, CDEs, award ceremonies or meal functions that require your attendance.

STEP 2 Decide which sessions to attend and block out their times on the planning grid. Each convention session has a different theme (see page 8); choose the ones that are most likely to appeal to your students' needs and interests. Don't forget, pre-session activities begin 30 minutes prior to each session.

STEP 3 Schedule time for both you and your students to attend leadership and career success workshops. You'll all walk away with new information, new ideas and a renewed commitment to personal and professional success!

STEP 4 Identify time for Career Success Tours of "must see" sites in and around Indianapolis. (see page 28) Use the online convention registration system to reserve your tour time. Don't forget about the onsite career development event tour series—it's a great opportunity to show students the fun and excitement of national competitions.

STEP 5 Block out the time your group will spend in the career show. You definitely won't be able to see everything there in one trip, so you might want to schedule an hour or so on more than one day. Make a list of what you must see the first time, then head back later for more. Encourage your students to explore future careers and educational opportunities.

STEP 6 Make time for entertainment. (see page 52) There are many options available—concerts, the PRCA Xtreme Bulls Tour, Broncs and Bulls and even hypnotists.

STEP 7 Schedule times to reconvene with your group throughout the day. Reserve time for group reflections at the close of each day. Allow each student to share his or her experiences and review the next day's schedule.

STEP 8 On Wednesday, get pumped for the week by attending a special concert in the RCA Dome! Star power will be on hand during the Wednesday evening event to kick off an energy packed week! Up to 25,000 FFA members, advisors and guests will be able to partake of this star-studded celebration. For more information about the concert series, see page 53.

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
before 8 a.m.	Help with Agriscience Fair set-up			
8 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Pals Conference	Agriscience Fair	Pals Conference	
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.		Post inside delegate hearings	Agriscience Fair	Delegate Hearings
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.				
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Meet with Chapter for Lunch	Career Success Tours	Meet with Chapter for Lunch	Career Success Tours

Planning Grid

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
before 8 a.m.				
8 a.m. to 9 a.m.				
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.				
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.				
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.				
12 p.m. to 1 p.m.				
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.				
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.				
3 p.m. to 4 p.m.				
4 p.m. to 5 p.m.				
5 p.m. to 6 p.m.				
6 p.m. to 7 p.m.				
7 p.m. to 8 p.m.				
8 p.m. to 9 p.m.				
9 p.m. to 10 p.m.				
After 10 p.m.				

CONVENTION IN THE CLASSROOM

Convention doesn't have to end at the drop of the gavel on Saturday. How can your members apply what they've learned at home? Below are suggestions to help harness your students' post-convention enthusiasm and channel it into their academic studies.

- Work with fellow faculty members to develop interdisciplinary assignments that may substitute for work your members missed while at convention. Students could write essays for English class about their experiences, develop expense reports for math or accounting classes, or use information gathered at the career show and agriscience fair to prepare a presentation about scientific practices in agriculture for science classes.
- Ask agribusiness students to track their expenses while at the national FFA convention. Once they return home, students can develop expense reports for themselves or for the chapter.
- Ask students to collect ideas for chapter activities from FFA members across the country, then report on these ideas at a chapter meeting.
- The national FFA convention is a great place for scavenger hunts, photo hunts and signature hunts.
- Develop a scavenger hunt for the career show where students search for items and information from specific colleges, state FFA associations, and agriculture-related businesses. Ask students to go on a photo hunt, using disposable cameras to take pictures of convention speakers, the career show, a leadership workshop, Indianapolis attractions, etc.

COURTESY CORPS

The National FFA Convention Courtesy Corps is an integral and vital group of FFA members and advisors who serve and assist the convention staff in all the activities of the national FFA convention. Courtesy Corps members commit time and effort to fulfilling many responsibilities in a variety of areas from the CDEs to the arena stage, awards office or FFA newsroom.

To learn more about Courtesy Corps and to get an application, visit http://www.ffa.org/convention/html/pln_courtesycorps.html or e-mail courtesycorps@ffa.org.

OFFICIAL DRESS

For sponsors, potential supporters, parents, members and advisors, the national FFA convention represents the character of the organization as a whole. It's important to maintain the professional, positive image that FFA has earned over the years. Proper official FFA dress lends members a unique identity among young adults as leaders and thoughtful citizens. The National FFA Organization strongly encourages all advisors to ensure that FFA members in attendance at the 80th National FFA Convention follow the standards of proper official dress as outlined in the Official FFA Manual:

FEMALES

Black skirt

Skirt is to be at least knee length, hemmed evenly across the bottom, with a slit no longer than two inches above the knee, excluding the kick pleat. Black slacks may be appropriate for traveling and outdoor activities

- White collared blouse with official FFA scarf
- Black dress shoes with a closed heel and toe
- Black nylon hosiery
- Official FFA jacket zipped to the top

MALES

Black slacks

- White collared dress shirt with official FFA tie
- Black shoes
- Black socks
- Official FFA jacket zipped to the top

To order official dress items, visit:

www.ffaunlimited.org/blue-od.html

Registration

REGISTRATION

The registration fee for 2007 is \$40 onsite as well as for those not pre-registered through the housing block.

If your accommodations are part of the FFA Convention Housing Block then your pre-registration will be reduced to \$30, based on the number of rooms reserved.

NOTE: If you reserved rooms through the FFA Convention Housing Block, but register onsite, the registration is \$40 per person. If your accommodations are part of the FFA Convention Housing Block then your pre-registration will be reduced to \$30, based on number of rooms reserved.

PRE-REGISTRATION

Save time and money, and ensure that you create the best convention experience possible by pre-registering. There are two easy ways to pre-register:

1. **Online at ffa.org**
2. **Via the official pre-registration form found in the packet.** The official pre-registration form may also be downloaded and printed from www.ffa.org/convention. Only the official pre-registration form should be faxed or mailed to the National FFA Organization.

**Fax completed official pre-registration forms to:
1-800-366-6556**

Mail completed official pre-registration forms to:

**National FFA Center
Convention Registration
P.O. Box 68960
Indianapolis, IN 46278-1370**

Phone orders will not be accepted. Do not forget to include your housing and emergency contact information on the form. Tickets and convention badges will be shipped to you via UPS and should be received by October 18, 2007. Please include a street address when filling out your pre-registration form. UPS does not deliver to post office boxes.

Completed and valid pre-registration ticket orders are filled based on the order in which they are received, via online entry, fax or mail. If any of your ticket choices are sold out by the time we receive your order, you will be notified by e-mail or fax.

All registration and ticket sales are final, so please place your order(s) accordingly.

Registrations need to be received by 5 p.m. (EST) on

Monday, Oct. 8. All registrations received after this date will not be processed.

ONSITE REGISTRATION

The onsite registration desk is located in the Maryland Street Motor Lobby at the Indiana Convention Center. Some events sell out prior to the start of convention, during pre-registration; we cannot guarantee the availability of tickets to any specific event. Please plan accordingly.

PAYMENT METHODS

Cash, credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express), school checks, or original, signed school purchase orders will be also accepted.

Registration Desk Hours of Operation:

Tuesday	1 - 6 p.m.
Wednesday	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Thursday	7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday	6:30 - 9 a.m.

LOST BADGES

Lost convention badges can be replaced at the main convention registration desk at a cost of \$5 each. Advisor or chapter chaperone must accompany members to the registration desk when replacement registration badge is needed. The badge replacement form requires a chapter number and name, along with the advisor/chaperone signature and \$5 payment, which must be in cash. Badges can also be replaced at the information booth in Conseco Fieldhouse during show hours.

Please Remember!

National Days of Service Activities and Career Success Tours are only available by registering online. Pre-registrations will be accepted through Oct. 8th.

HOUSING

If you haven't already made hotel reservations for your chapter, there's still a little time-but your choices may be limited. Please refer to the convention website on ffa.org for the most up-to-date housing information. Follow the steps on the next page to secure your accommodations. The deadline for housing forms to be received by National FFA Convention Housing is September 11, 2007.

SECURING YOUR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

STEP 1

Review the hotel choices listed on pages eight & nine of the *"First Edition Advisor's Planning Guide"*. For the most up-to-date hotel information visit www.ffa.org, log in to myFFA. Rank your choices in the "Hotel Preference" section of the housing request form. Should your choices not be available, be sure to answer whether "rate" or "location" is most important when an alternative option is assigned.

STEP 2

Complete and send the housing form to the National FFA Convention Housing as soon as possible. You must include a \$50 non-refundable deposit per room with the housing form. Include your credit card information at the bottom of the form. Housing request forms without deposits will be returned.

Mail request forms to:
2007 National FFA Convention Housing
One RCA Dome, Suite 100
Indianapolis, IN 46225

STEP 3

A hotel acknowledgement will be sent to you via e-mail, fax or U.S. mail, depending on the information you provide on the housing form. Once you have checked and verified your acknowledgement for accuracy, mail your rooming list along with your chapter name and number to the 2007 National FFA Convention Housing, One RCA Dome, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46225. Please bracket the names of persons who are to share rooms. Rooming lists are due September 11, 2007.

STEP 4

Contact the National FFA Convention Housing Bureau at 317-684-2573 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT, Monday to Friday) with questions.

CHANGING YOUR RESERVATIONS

If you have already been assigned rooms through the housing bureau and need to make changes to your assignment, please submit them in writing to the Indianapolis Housing Bureau by mail or fax to:

2007 National FFA Convention Housing
One RCA Dome, Suite 100
Indianapolis, IN 46225
FAX: 317-684-2492

Changes cannot be made over the phone. Changes will be accepted in writing by the National FFA Convention Housing Bureau through September 24, 2007. After September 24, 2007, contact your hotel directly. Cancellations made on or after October 12, 2007, may result in forfeiture of deposit and additional charges of the first night room rate and tax by the hotel.

If you will be arriving after the reservation check-in day, please contact the hotel in advance to inform them of the change in arrival date. Not providing advanced notice to the hotel may result in forfeiture of deposit, a charge of one night's room and tax and loss of rooms.

An early departure fee of one night's room and tax may be charged to a guest who departs prior to the reserved check-out date. Guests wishing to avoid this fee must advise the hotel at or before check-in of any change in the scheduled length of stay. The hotel will inform the guest of this fee upon check-in giving the guest the option to change the check-out date upon arrival without penalty.

STAY SAFE IN YOUR HOTEL

Share these important tips with your students as you prepare them for their trip to Indianapolis.

- Read the emergency instructions on the back of your hotel room door. Familiarize yourself with the fire escape route.
- Do not leave your door open and always use the dead bolt.
- Do not open your hotel door to anyone you don't personally know. Call the front desk to verify hotel staff, security guards and others requesting entrance to your room.
- If you encounter questionable individuals, report them to the front desk.
- Do not leave valuables out in the open. Many hotels provide lock boxes for your security.

Food & Shopping

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FOOD COURT

RCA DOME FLOOR

Hours of Operation:

Wednesday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Thursday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- PAPA JOHN'S
- SALAD/SANDWICH CART
- TAILGATE GRILL
- DIP N DOT CART & ICE CREAM CART
- PRETZEL/POPCORN CART

Additional Food Court areas downtown:

Hyatt Hotel Downtown

City Market - <http://www.indianapoliscitymarket.com>

Circle Centre Mall

For Dining Dollars Food Court voucher program, please submit order forms to Circle Centre by September 15. For more details please call the Circle Centre Management Office, 317-681-5615

SHOPPING MALL

Exhibit Halls F and G, Indiana Convention Center

An Exhibit Hall pass or registration badge is required to enter.

Hours of Operation:

Wednesday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Thursday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. - noon



Visit the shopping mall for great convention souvenirs, FFA fashions, jewelry, gift items, teaching tools and chapter supplies! The mall features non-FFA merchandise from more than 30 stores including John Deere, Cowpokes, MainGate, Souvenir Shirts, Tractor Supply Company, and more! Be sure to check out the FFA Sale Store for great deals on FFA merchandise. Also, don't miss the FFA Mega Store, a one-stop shop for all your FFA needs: *official dress, chapter supplies, certificates, jewelry, T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, games, posters, books, buttons, emblems, decals, toys, gift items, and more!*

Make sure to stop by the *Love of Country* booth to see the new FFA Prints from the Archives Collection. FFA will unveil six new paintings with reproductions available for purchase.

SHOPLIFTING

National FFA staff will deal directly with occasional instances of shoplifting at the FFA Shopping, up to and including prosecution. In downtown Indy, Circle Centre Mall is located in the midst of all the convention activities and offers an amazing variety of goods and services. Circle Centre Mall employs its own security force, and shoplifters will be prosecuted.



Entertainment



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DODGE XTREME BULLS 2007 RIDE HARD TOUR

ESPN XTREME BULLS RETURN TO CONVENTION AND ADD SECOND SHOW

The Pepsi Coliseum will be the site of plenty of rides and wrecks on October 26 when the 2007 Dodge Xtreme Bulls Tour returns to the national FFA convention in Indianapolis. The Xtreme Bulls tour has expanded to two performances on Friday night this year. Xtreme Bulls is sanctioned by the largest Pro Rodeo organization in the world, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and is televised exclusively on ESPN Networks.

Forty of the world's top bull riders will converge at the Pepsi Coliseum to take their shot at the \$85,000 purse. Several world champions including the 2000 world champion, Cody Hancock, 2004 world champion, Dustin Elliott, 2005 world champion, Matt Austin and reigning world champion B. J. Schumacher will compete in the event.

Also performing will be the baddest, meanest, rankest one-ton athletes in the world...the Xtreme bulls. These bulls have thrown cowboys at the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Houston, San Antonio, Cody and many points in between.

The FFA Special Edition/Tour Finale will be broadcast on ESPN and ESPN2 with 8-time PRCA world champion bull rider Donnie Gay handling the color commentary. ESPN Network coverage reaches 90 million households, providing tremendous exposure for the National FFA Organization.

2007 Dodge Xtreme Bulls Tour

Returns To The National

FFA Convention

October 26

FFA Special Edition/

Tour Finale Shows

to air on ESPN

Performances at

5 p.m. and 9 p.m.

RFD-TV presents
the National FFA
Mega Concert

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BULLS AND BRONCS CHAMPIONSHIP

The FFA national convention will feature a HOT new event for 2007 — The Bulls and Broncs Championship coming to the Pepsi Coliseum on Thursday, October 25 at 7 p.m. Three Hills Rodeo returns hosting the last stop in The Bulls and Broncs Championship 2007 Series as Year-end Champions will be crowned in Barebacks, Saddle Broncs, Bull Riding, and Women's Barrel Racing. It's a first for FFA as this finals competition features not only the top 12 in the Bull Riding, but the Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding as well with a showdown round in the second half pitting the top two in each event in the bonus

round—It's the Show Me the Money Round. Three Hills Rodeo will bring their A-team to town. Look for Double Trouble, Aces' Full, Sin City, Holly Schnikes, Red Dog, Mr. Goodnight, and Doc Evil matched up against the likes of NFR contenders Bobby Griswold, Timmy Wilkinson, and Davey Dyke. It's the best against the best in all events as they fight it out to see who will be take home the Championship for 2007. Some of the fastest horses in the Women's Pro Rodeo Association also will heat up the action in the Women's Barrel Race as they Run for the Buckle and the Cash. The fun only starts there as Roger Mooney, NFR Announcer, also returns to Pepsi Coliseum to host the Spills and Thrills of Three Hills. It's two hours of fun, comedy, specialty entertainment and nonstop rodeo action.

TICKETS \$25 1 NIGHT ONLY!

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Thursday Night at 7:00 p.m.

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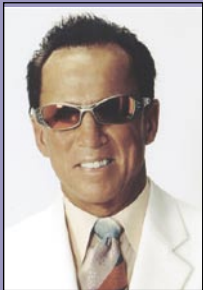
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Indy Attractions

HYNOTISTS

Sponsored by the National FFA Alumni Association

During the national FFA convention, FFA members will learn that leadership is influence; watch the hypnotists exert a different brand of influence over fellow members and advisors. Volunteer participants may find themselves "getting very sleepy," but the audience won't!



JIM WAND

**Wednesday, October 24,
6 and 8 p.m.**

ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3,4,5

**Thursday, October 25,
8 and 10 p.m.**

ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3,4,5

**Friday, October 26,
2 and 4 p.m.**

ICC, Rooms 205, 206, 207

Cost: \$10



DR. AL SNYDER

**Wednesday, October 24,
10 p.m.**

ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3,4,5

**Thursday, October 25,
6 p.m.**

ICC, Sagamore Ballroom 3,4,5

**Friday, October 26,
6 and 8 p.m.**

ICC, Rooms 205, 206, 207

Cost: \$10

Along the way

ATTRACTIONS AND MUSEUMS

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF INDIANAPOLIS

3000 N. Meridian St.

317-334-3322

800-208-KIDS

Join us for adventure and learning at the greatest children's museum in the world. Meet a mummy, climb a limestone wall, ride on the world-famous carousel, sail through space in Space-Quest® Planetarium and experience dinosaurs like never before at "Dinosphere: Now You're in Their World."

Adult: \$12.50

Youth: (2-17) \$7.50

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13400 Allisonville Rd., Fishers

317-776-6006

800-966-1836

Journey to long ago and experience how life has changed. Travel to an Indian camp, pioneer village, Victorian farm, hands-on discovery area, historic house and gardens.

Adults: \$11

Youth: (5-12) \$7



DINOSAUR WORLD

www.dinoworld.net
711 Mammoth Cave Rd,
Cave City, KY 42127
270-773-4345

Visit over 100 life-sized dinosaurs at Dinosaur World. Take our Dinosaur Walk with life-sized prehistoric animals. See our indoor museum with exhibits and activities. Dig for authentic fossils to take home in our Fossil Dig. Enjoy our Movie Cave showing short films on dinosaurs.

Adults: \$9.75

Youth: (3-12) \$9.95

INDIANAPOLIS CITY MARKET INDIANAPOLIS FARMERS' MARKET

10/25, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
222 E. Market St.,
Indianapolis
317-634-9266

Directions: Downtown Indianapolis on Market St. between Alabama and Delaware Sts.

Admission: Free.

IMAX THEATER

650 W. Washington St.,
Indianapolis
317-233-4629

The state's first IMAX experience where sound and images are larger than life. Featuring 2D and 3D films projected onto a six-and-a-half-story screen, the IMAX projection system uses the largest film frame in motion picture history.

INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY HALL OF FAME MUSEUM

Speedway, Ind.
4790 W. 16th St.
317-492-6747

The Hall of Fame Museum at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway will be offering The Grounds Tour from Monday, October 22 through Sunday, October 28 at the time of the National FFA Convention. The Grounds Tour includes admission to the museum plus a 90 minute guided tour which includes visits to the media center, Bombardier Pagoda (including race control and timing and scoring), gasoline alley, victory podium, a suite, and the opportunity to walk on the track and stand on the famous "YARD OF BRICKS" at the start finish line. Pictures may be taken at each location. The price of the Grounds Tour is \$25 per person, but attendees at the National FFA convention are being offered a special rate of \$15 per person. Reservations are advised. For further information or to make reservations contact Mary Geiss at 317-492-6747 or mgeiss@brickyard.com.

INDIANAPOLIS ZOO

1200 W. Washington St.,
Indianapolis
317-630-2001

Highlights include Indiana's largest aquarium; a new dolphin experience; open exhibit areas with 350 different animal species; seasonal pony, train and family roller coaster rides.

Admission: \$13.50

NCAA HALL OF CHAMPIONS

700 W. Washington St.,
Indianapolis
317-916-HALL
800-735-6222

Located in White River State Park, downtown Indianapolis, the NCAA Hall of Champions is a 30,000-square-foot, two-level venue that features inspiring theater presentations, tributes to former NCAA student-athletes and champions, NCAA championship sports and a gallery for special exhibitions. Relive NCAA March Madness and more.

Adults: \$3

Student: \$12

OLDFIELDS-LILLY HOUSE & GARDENS

4000 Michigan Rd.,
Indianapolis
317-923-1331

A National Historic Landmark and listed in the National Register of Historic Places, Oldfields-Lilly House & Gardens is the former home and estate of the J.K. Lilly Jr. family. Visitors may tour Lilly House and extensive 26-acre estate.

Admission: Free

HERITAGE AND HISTORY

THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR MEMORIAL

650 W. Washington St.,
Indianapolis
White River State Park
317-261-6646

The memorial, representing 15 different conflicts from the Civil War through Somalia, gives tribute to 3,432 Medal of Honor recipients.

Admission: Free

INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

450 W. Ohio St.
317-232-1882
800-447-1830

INDIANA WORLD WAR MEMORIAL

431 N. Meridian St.
317-232-7615

The memorial pays homage to Indiana men and women who served during World War I, World War II, Korean conflict and Vietnam War.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY MUSEUM HOME

528 Lockerbie St.
317-631-5885
877-TO-RILEY

Visit the historic Lockerbie Square home where Hoosier poet James Whitcomb Riley spent the last 23 years of his life.

Adults: \$3
Students (7-17) \$.50

OBELISK SQUARE

N. Meridian and Michigan Sts.,
Indianapolis

The park and fountain honor all Indiana veterans. Fifty state flags and the American flag are colorfully displayed at the north end of the park.

PRESIDENT BENJAMIN HARRISON HOME

1230 N. Delaware St.,
Indianapolis
317-631-1888

Home of the 23rd president, this three-story Italianate mansion features Victorian furnishings including many original Harrison pieces

and a reconstructed two-story carriage house "old red barn" as it stood behind the house in 1888.

Adults: \$6
Students: (5-17) \$3

THE USS INDIANAPOLIS NATIONAL MEMORIAL

East bank of downtown canal,
Walnut St. footbridge,
Indianapolis
317-232-7615

Commemorates the lives of those lost at sea during World War II when the USS Indianapolis was sunk by enemy fire.

PERFORMING ARTS THEATRE

ACTORS THEATRE OF INDIANA

716 Stockbridge Dr., Westfield,
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317-669-7983

A new professional equity theatre company in the Indianapolis area, presenting musical productions with top-notch New York and Indianapolis talent.

AMERICAN CABARET THEATRE

401 E. Michigan St.,
Indianapolis
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ACT presents original works that reflect American culture, from politics to Motown, to celebrating the history of the Indy 500.

BEEF & BOARDS DINNER THEATRE

Oklahoma, 10/23-28
9301 N. Michigan Rd.,
Indianapolis
Event Phone: 317-872-9664
Tickets \$33-52
Call for times.

INDIANA REPERTORY THEATRE

Hamlet
Oct. 25-29 Oct. 25-29
140 W. Washington St.,
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317-635-5252
Call for times.

MYSTERY CAFE

231 S. College Ave.,
Indianapolis
The Milano Inn
317-684-0668

Participate in an interactive murder mystery comedy dinner theatre. Enjoy a four-course dinner while solving a murder mystery. Reservations required. Private shows available Sun.-Fri. Groups please call for special arrangements and dates.

Admission: \$44.50

RECREATION

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1105 Prospect St.,
Fountain Square
Theatre Building, Indpls.
317-686-6006

PINHEADS

13825 Britton Park Rd.,
Fishers, Ind.
317-773-9988



ROYAL PIN LEISURE CENTERS

EXPO BOWL

5261 Elmwood Dr., Indpls.
 317-787-3448

JUBILEE BOWL

7420 N. Michigan Rd., Indpls.
 317-291-1295

SOUTHERN BOWL

1010 S. U.S. 31, Indpls.
 317-881-8686

WESTERN BOWL

6441 W. Washington St., Indpls.
 317-247-4426

WOODLAND BOWL

3421 E. 96th St., Indpls.
 317-844-4099

INDIANA/WORLD SKATING ACADEMY AND RESEARCH CENTER

201 S. Capitol Ave., Indpls.

Pan Am Plaza

317-237-5555

Public Ice skating and skate rental available.

ATTRACTIONS

FRIGHT MANOR HAUNTED ATTRACTIONS

10/22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

350 Anniston Dr.,

Southport, Ind.

Event Phone: 317-767-7540

Two great haunted houses for one low fee. Fright Manor Haunted Attractions presents "The House" and "Psychomanthium". We were rated #1 in 2006. We are proud to announce that on the nights of the 26th and 27th, Cortney Gains, known as Malachai from the movie Children of the Corn, will be signing autographs at Fright Manor. Will you survive?

Tickets: \$15

HANNA HAUNTED ACRES

317-357-0881

www.HannaHauntedAcres.com

Hanna Haunted Acres will be open October 24 through Halloween night, opening nightly at 8 p.m. For shorter lines we suggest coming on weeknights.

Cost: \$8-27

HAUNTS OF HIDDEN RIVER HAUNTED HAYRIDES!

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Jamestown, Ind.

phone: 765-676-5718

Come board one of our digital sound equipped wagons for a 20-minute haunted hayride into the most terrifying woods you've ever encountered.

Don't forget to check out Indiana's scariest Haunted Barn. You'll have to walk, crawl, slide and climb your way through an actual haunted barn that takes mayhem to a new level.



Maps & Directions



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80th NATIONAL
FFA CONVENTION
OCTOBER 24-27, 2007

2007 NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION PARKING

1. Prepaid parking passes for automobiles, minivans, 15 passenger vans and pick-up trucks will be available through the online convention registration process. Passes will provide a parking space in the same lot or garage for the entire convention. Prepaid convention parking passes, with in and out privileges, good for Tuesday thru Saturday, will cost \$27-72. For descriptions, maps and driving directions of parking facilities, go to the National FFA online convention registration website. Parking facilities for automobiles, minivans, 15 passenger vans and pick-up trucks will not accommodate mini, charter or school buses. See bus parking information.
2. Participants who will be staying in downtown hotels will have the option to use hotel parking for their vehicles. Arrangements for these parking spaces must be made through the hotel. Please contact your hotel to determine if they have a parking facility that can accommodate the vehicle being driven to convention. If the hotel cannot accommodate your vehicle please purchase a parking pass for a facility that can accommodate your vehicle. National FFA is negotiating with hotel management to secure a convention rate; however, at this time parking cost for downtown hotels is \$12-\$25 per day.
3. Prepaid parking passes for school or charter buses will be purchased through online convention registration. Chapters staying in downtown hotels that cannot accommodate school or charter buses will use the bus lots for the entire convention. The majority of the downtown hotels do not provide parking for buses. Prepaid 5 day convention bus passes good Tuesday - Saturday, with in and out privileges will cost \$62. Prepaid 4 day bus parking passes good Wednesday - Saturday will cost \$50.
4. FFA Bus Parking lots 2 and 4 will be available for 4 and 5 day parking passes. FFA Bus Parking lots 1, 3, and 5 will offer parking for 4 days only. Mini buses are defined as any bus vehicle with approved Department of Transportation emergency doors. Bus lot 4 has been identified for short or mini buses only. Bus lots 1, 2, 3 and 5 will accommodate both mini and standard size school or charter buses.
5. Open parking in the downtown area is available for convention participants on a first come first served basis. Costs range from \$5-25 per entry. No in and out privileges. Please note that these spaces are transient in nature and access to these spaces is not guaranteed. Convention participants who decide not to purchase a parking space through the online convention registration process will be competing for parking with Indianapolis residents who work and shop in the downtown area as well as others who will be visiting the downtown attractions. For a complete listing of all parking available in downtown Indianapolis, please visit the Indianapolis Downtown Inc. website at <http://www.indydt.com/parkingdatabase.html>.
6. Trailer parking will be in the Fern Marshalling yard located at 602 W. Ray Street. To obtain directions and parking passes for trailers, please contact Jim Armbruster at jarmbruster@ffa.org.

Please Note:

Bus parking lots will not allow vans, automobiles or pick-up truck parking.



Fairgrounds Driving Directions

INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS DRIVING DIRECTIONS AND PARKING INFORMATION

The Indiana State Fairgrounds is located on the corner of East 38th Street and Fall Creek Parkway in Indianapolis. The address for ISF is 1202 E. 38th St., Indianapolis.

I-65 North (from Louisville, KY; Columbus, IN)

Take I-65 North to I-70 East to Keystone Avenue (exit #85B). Take Keystone Avenue north to 38th Street. Turn left (west) on 38th Street.

I-65 South (from Chicago, IL; Lafayette, IN)

Take I-65 South to the 38th Street exit. Continue east to the Fairgrounds entrance.

I-70 East (from St. Louis, MO; Terre Haute, IN)

Take I-70 East to Keystone Avenue (exit #85B). Take Keystone Avenue north to 38th Street. Turn left (west) on 38th Street.

I-70 West (from Columbus, OH; Richmond, IN)

Take I-70 West to Keystone Avenue (exit #85B). Take Keystone Avenue north to 38th Street. Turn left (west) on 38th Street.

I-69 South (from Detroit, MI; Fort Wayne, IN)

I-69 South becomes Binford Boulevard (SR37) which becomes Fall Creek Parkway. The Fairgrounds is located just north of 38th Street on Fall Creek Parkway.

I-74 West (from Cincinnati, OH)

Take I-74 West to I-465 North. Take I-465 North to I-70 West to Keystone Avenue (exit #85B). Take Keystone Avenue north to 38th Street. Turn left (west) on 38th Street.

From Indianapolis International Airport

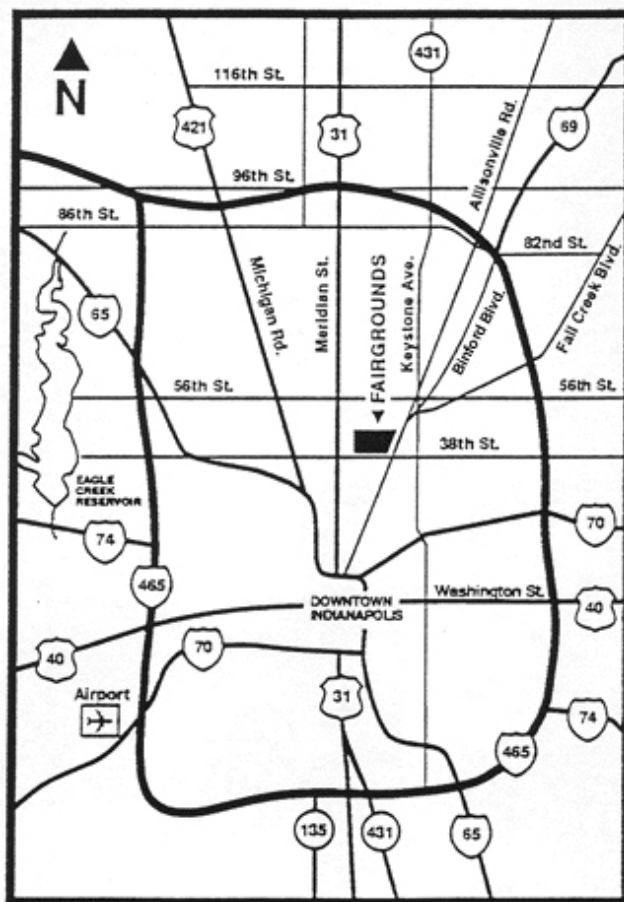
Take the Indianapolis Airport Expressway to I-70 East to Keystone Avenue (exit #85B). Take Keystone Avenue north to 38th St. Turn left (west) on 38th St. and continue to Fairgrounds entrance.

From downtown Indianapolis

Take Illinois or Meridian Street north to 38th Street. Turn right on 38th street. Indiana State Fair will be located on your left at the corner of 38th Street and Fall Creek Parkway. Enter Indiana State Fair by turning left off of 38th Street into the 38th Street gate.

PARKING AT INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS

Parking at ISF will be complimentary Tuesday – Friday of the national FFA convention. Convention participants attending the career development events or the Xtreme Bulls event will need to follow directions of parking attendants. ISF staff will direct you to the appropriate parking area.



A special thanks to Toyota for providing the National FFA Organization courtesy vehicles to use during the 80th National FFA Convention.



IndyGo has 29 Fixed Routes that move throughout the Indianapolis Area. Coverage includes direct routes from downtown to all major shopping malls as well as many cultural destinations – examples include:

Indiana State Fairgrounds -- Routes 4 and 39
 (39 is best)

IUPUI – Red Line, 3, 10 and 37

Castleton Mall – Route 19

Fashion Mall – Route 18

Glendale Mall – Routes 17 and 19

Washington Square Mall – Route 8

Lafayette Square Mall – Route 38

Children's Museum of Indianapolis – Routes 4, 18, 28, 38, 39

Indianapolis Museum of Art – Routes 34 and 38

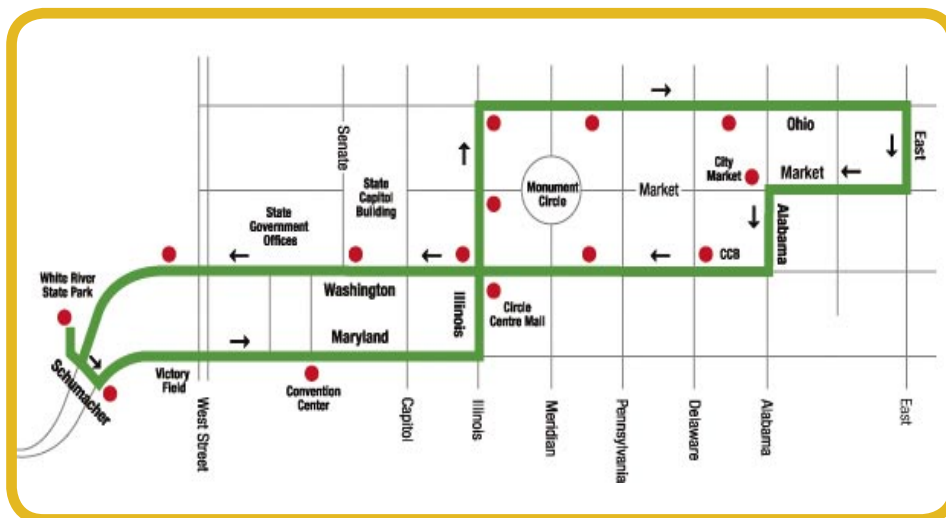
Indianapolis Motor Speedway – Route 25

- Fixed Route is \$1.50 per ride or \$3.50 for a day pass
- Youth may ride for half price by presenting a valid Student ID (18 and younger)

IndyGo has two downtown circulators that can take you to various attractions, parking garages and hotels:



- **The Red Line** is a FREE circulator that moves from the campus of IUPUI through the Downtown area and connects with the Blue Line stops along Ohio Street.



- **The Blue Line** is FREE the week of FFA for all riders and it moves around the downtown area from the White River State Park Visitor's Center to the Indianapolis City Market, with a stop on Maryland in front of the Indiana Convention Center.

Shuttle Services

SHUTTLE SERVICES PROVIDED FOR THE 80TH NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

Convention Provided Shuttles operated by Miller Transportation

Hotel, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Xtreme Bulls and Bulls and Broncs shuttles will pick up and drop off on Maryland Street located on the north side of the Indiana Convention Center.

Career Success Tour Shuttles will pick up and drop off on Capitol Avenue, between Maryland Street and the convention center plaza.

Career Development Event and Day of Service Shuttles will pick up and drop off on the convention center loading dock tarmac located on Missouri Street south of the convention center.

CHAPTER SCHOOL BUSES AND CHARTER BUS LOAD AND UNLOAD ZONES:

Chapters arriving by school bus or private charter can drop off and pick up at the locations listed below. Loading and unloading zones are for active loading or unloading, parking will not be allowed. All buses must have a driver present at all times while in the loading and unloading zones. Unattended buses will be towed at owners' expense.

1. North curb lane of South Street between Capitol Avenue and Missouri Street.
2. West curb lane of Pennsylvania Street between Maryland Street and Consecoco Court.
3. East curb lane of Delaware Street between the railroad overpass and Maryland Street.

PARTICIPANTS WITH DISABILITIES TRANSPORTATION DROP OFF AND PICK UP ZONES FOR CONVENTION CENTER AND CONSECO FIELDHOUSE:

Convention Center: The drop off/pick up point for schools transporting participants with disabilities is on the west curb lane of Capitol Avenue, From the steps of the RCA Dome Gate 1, south to South Street. Look for signage indicating drop off and pick up zone.

Conseco Fieldhouse: The drop off /pick up point for participants with disabilities is on Consecoco Court between Pennsylvania and Delaware Streets. Consecoco Court is an access street running east and west just to the north of Consecoco Fieldhouse. Additional options for drop off or pick up of convention participants are located on Delaware or Pennsylvania Streets. Look for signage indicating drop off or pick up zones.

Buses must be actively loading or unloading in all drop off or pick up zones. No waiting will be permitted. Bus drivers are expected to cooperate with and follow directions of Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department or convention staff in regard to access to drop off and pick up zones. In some cases, bus drivers may be asked to move their buses to insure safety and security of all convention participants.

The National FFA Organization operates 90-95 shuttle buses that provide transportation to the key hotels and convention venues. To maintain on time schedules and provide the services needed for convention participants, the south curb lane of Maryland Street between West Street and Capitol Avenue is reserved for these shuttles, operated by Miller Transportation. Chapter school buses or chapter charter buses are restricted from accessing this area. Only buses with proper passes may load or unload on the south curb lane of Maryland Street between West Street and Capitol Avenue. Buses or vehicles accessing this area without the proper passes will be ticketed or towed.

Hours of Operation for Convention Hotel Shuttles:

Wednesday, October 24	6 - 1 a.m.
Thursday, October 25	6 - 12:30 a.m.
Friday, October 26	6 - 12:30 a.m.
Saturday, October 27	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

FFA BUS LOT 5 SHUTTLE

(Indianapolis Zoo/map number 5)

Shuttle service to and from the FFA Bus Lot 5, located at the Indianapolis Zoo, will be provided at no charge for chapters who have selected this lot for parking their school or charter bus. It is highly recommended that the convention participants be dropped off on South Street, south of the convention center, prior to parking the bus. Bus Parking Passes can be purchased through Online Convention Registration.

Hours of Operation for Bus Lot 5 Shuttles

Wednesday, October 24	6 - 1 a.m.
Thursday, October 25	6 - 12:30 a.m.
Friday, October 26	6 - 12:30 a.m.
Saturday, October 27	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

KEY HOTEL SHUTTLES:

Shuttle services will be provided from key hotel locations. Please check with the hotel desk to determine pick up and drop off location and schedule. Shuttle passes for the entire convention can be purchased through Online Convention Registration for \$25. Daily one way passes can be purchased at convention registration for \$5. Transportation from the hotel to the convention center is provided free of charge. All shuttle riders departing the convention center to return to their hotels must possess a one way or weekly shuttle pass.

Hours of Operation for Convention Hotel Shuttles:

Wednesday, October 24	6 - 1 a.m.
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SHUTTLE ROUTES

BLUE ROUTE (Northwest –Pyramid Campus)

Hotels Included:

Drury Inn, Homewood Suites Northwest, LaQuinta Inn Northwest, Embassy Suites North, Days Inn & Suites Northwest, Holiday Inn North, Best Western Country Suites, Comfort Inn & Suites North at the Pyramids

TAN ROUTE (North Campus – Keystone at the Crossing)

Hotels Included:

Sheraton Indianapolis Hotel & Suites, Indianapolis Marriott North and AmeriSuites Indianapolis Keystone

GREEN ROUTE (East Campus)

Hotels Included:

Holiday Inn East, LaQuinta Inn East, Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Fairfield Inn & Suites Indianapolis East, Quality Inn & Suites East, Comfort Inn East, Hawthorn Suites and Hampton Inn East

RED ROUTE (Airport Campus)

Hotels Included:

Adam's Mark

PURPLE ROUTE (Airport Campus)

Hotels Included:

Days Inn Airport, LaQuinta Inn (Executive Drive), Ramada Indianapolis Airport, Courtyard by Marriott Airport.

ORANGE ROUTE (Airport Campus)

Hotels Included:

Hyatt Place Indianapolis Airport, Quality Inn & Suites Airport, LaQuinta Inn (Lynhurst Drive)

GOLD ROUTE (Airport Campus)

Hotels Included:

Holiday Inn Select Airport, Radisson Hotel Indianapolis Airport

WHITE ROUTE (East Extended Campus)

Hotels Included:

Ramada Inn Indianapolis Conference Center

Shuttle Map

INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS SHUTTLE:

A free shuttle will be provided for convention and CDE participants for transportation between the Indiana Convention Center and the Indiana State Fairgrounds. On Wednesday, the shuttle is for CDE teams and coaches who need transportation for CDE registration, CDE team photos, team orientation meetings or other CDE related activities. On Thursday, the shuttle is open to all CDE participants and any registered convention participants who wish to participate in the CDE tours. CDE tours will operate from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. A convention badge, provided as part of convention registration, is required to gain access to the ISF shuttle.

Hours of Operation for Indiana State Fairground Shuttles

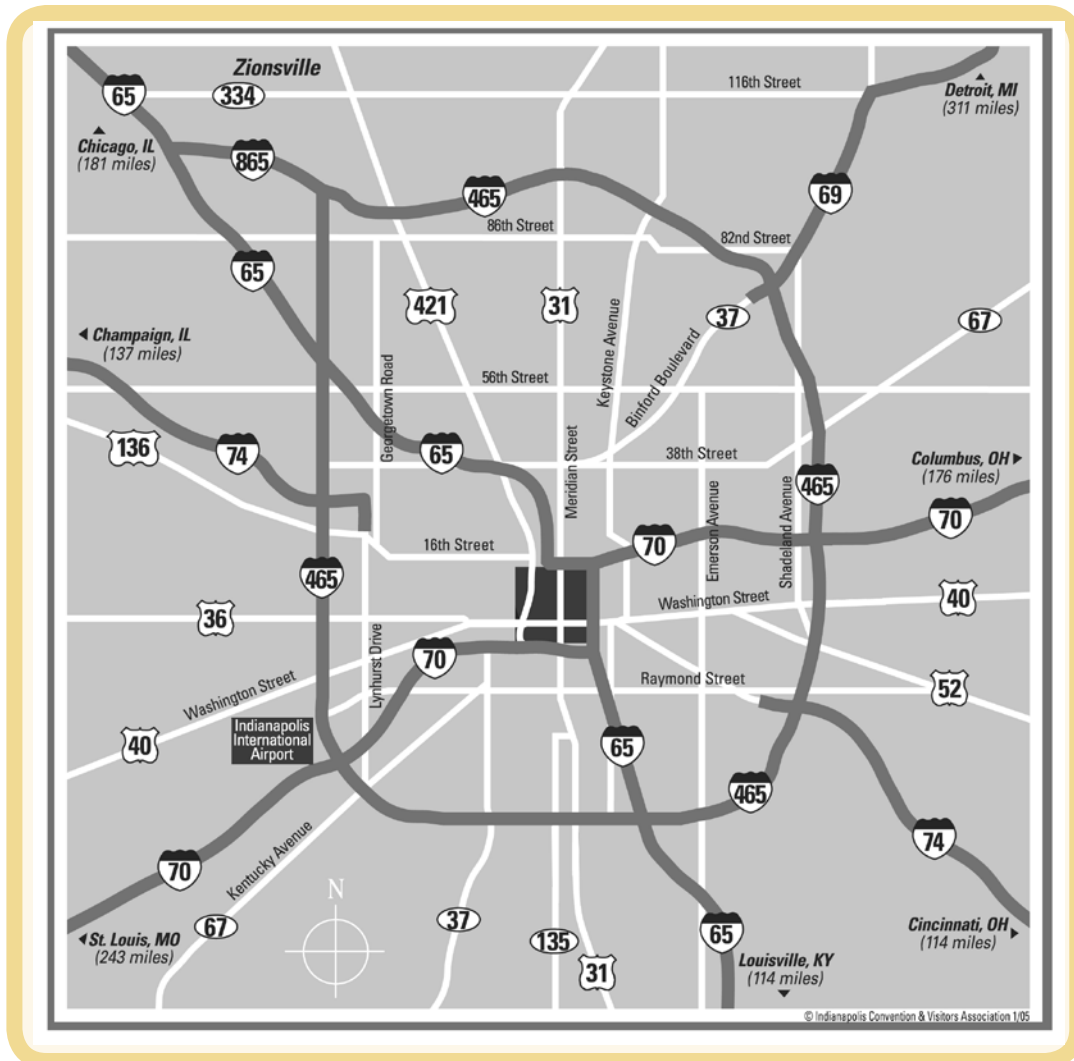
Wednesday, October 24	7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Thursday, October 25	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

BULLS AND BRONCS / XTREME BULLS SHUTTLE PASSES:

Shuttle passes from the convention center to the Indiana State Fairgrounds may be purchased through online convention registration or the onsite registration desk for \$10. This pass will provide transportation to the fairgrounds on Thursday and Friday for the Bulls and Broncs / Xtreme Bulls events. This pass is good for Thursday and Friday only. Food service will be available prior to and during these events. Shuttles will depart and return to Maryland Street north of the convention center.

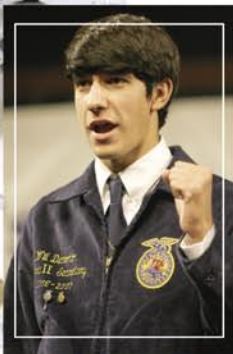
Hours of Operation Bulls and Broncs/Xtreme Bulls Shuttles:

Thursday, October 25	5:30 - 10 p.m.
Friday, October 26	3:30 - 11:30 p.m.



Planning Notes





Bright Futures



National FFA Organization
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Indianapolis, IN 46268

www.ffa.org

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The FFA Mission: FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

The Agricultural Education Mission: Agricultural Education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in the global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resources systems.

