



National FFA Organization

Chapter Affiliation Membership Agreement

Chapter: _____ State Association: _____

Signatures below indicate that parties involved have an understanding of timelines, policies and expectations associated with affiliation including:

- 1) No affiliated fee or dues should be collected from individual students in programs participating in the affiliation fee program. Alternative funding sources must be used to pay affiliation fee.
- 2) Chapter affiliation fee is based on total agricultural education enrollment at the high school or middle school where the associated agricultural education program is offered. Total agricultural education enrollment is determined by listing the following students in the FFA roster system:
 - a) All **secondary school students (grades 7-12 as defined by National FFA Constitution)** enrolled in all agricultural education classes and/or eligible for active FFA membership.
 - b) All **graduated students** wishing to continue active FFA membership according to chapter, state and national policies.
 - c) All **students enrolled in an agricultural education exploratory class (less than nine weeks)**, who have met local, state and national membership requirements. Please refer to **state and national membership policies**.
 - i) Excluded exploratory agricultural education students are not to be entered into the FFA roster system or given an FFA invite code to establish a profile until such time as they meet local, state and national membership requirements.
 - ii) Excluded exploratory agricultural education students will not have access to My FFA.
- 3) Multi-year membership packages (student three-year and student four-year) are not allowed as affiliation is an ongoing annual program based on actual student numbers in agricultural education that cannot be paid for in advance. Multi-year membership packages are in direct violation of affiliation policy as they are a dues based structure.
- 4) All students in an agricultural education program utilizing the affiliation fee program are considered FFA members and entered as "student one-year" on the roster. No student should be marked as "agricultural education only" in an affiliated chapter. See Affiliation Fees Operation Policy Item 9 for specific information.
- 5) Participation in the affiliation fee program is designed to be ongoing. **Chapters** that sign up for affiliation must remain affiliated chapters unless they receive approval from the state association and national organization to revert to non-affiliated chapter dues process. If an affiliated chapter chooses to leave the program, that chapter can no longer participate in the affiliation program until one of the following occurs:
 - a) The chapter advisor(s) submit a request for waiver of rules to their state leadership by August 15 or by the state approved deadline.
 - i) If request for waiver of rules is approved by state leadership, state leadership must forward the waiver or rules with a letter of support and approval to National FFA on or before September 1.
 - ii) National FFA will review and rule on the request for waiver of rules within 15 business days of receiving request. National FFA staff will inform state leadership of decision to approve or deny request for waiver of the rules by October 1.
 - b) A chapter will return to affiliated status as such time the state adopts 100 percent affiliation membership.

Chapter President Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

Advisor Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

School Principal Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

Return a signed copy of this form by **November 1 or (enter state deadline)** to your state FFA office (or earlier depending on your state deadline). Keep a signed copy of this agreement for your records. (For all new chapters added to affiliation in current membership year).