***MAINE FFA JUNIOR STATE OFFICER APPLICANT GUIDELINES***

For the purpose of officer application, please provide the following documents:

1. Junior State FFA Officer Application Information Page
2. Applicant and Parent Agreement Page
3. FFA Chapter Advisor and Principal Signature Page
4. A resume, including all agriculturally related activities as well as other school, community, and work activities
5. A letter of application describing your qualifications and your goals for the state officer team
6. A letter of recommendation by someone who knows you well, attesting to your ability to be a Junior State FFA Officer.

NOTE: All applicants must have already received their Chapter FFA Degree or must attach an application to that degree to this State FFA Officer application.

The deadline for receipt of this form by the State FFA Advisor is March 15. Applications should include written test and be turned into FFA Chapter Advisors well in advance of this date.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SELECTION PROCESS WILL INCLUDE A 2-4-MINUTE PRESENTATION ON WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A JUNIOR STATE FFA OFFICER, ALONG WITH 10-15 MINUTES OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. THE SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF ASSIGNED CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES, CURRENT STATE FFA OFFICER(S) AND ONE OR MORE ADULT COMMITTEE ADVISOR(S).

2024 Junior State Officer Application - Maine FFA Association

**NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Year in School (First/Sophomore/Junior/Senior): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date of Chapter FFA Degree (2024 if currently an applicant) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**SAE Area (see ffa.org / Explore / Ag. Prof. / Award Areas): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**SAE Hours / Earnings \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Applied for Proficiency Award? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ NO**

**Home Tel: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name of Parent / Guardian #1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Guardian #1 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Guardian #1 Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name of Parent / Guardian #2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Guardian #2 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Guardian #2 Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Street Address if P.O. Above: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**If Chosen, How Name Should be Listed on Officer Jacket: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**If Chosen, Size of Officer Jacket (see www.ffa.org): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I wish to apply for a Junior state officer position for the Maine FFA Association. Both my parent(s)/guardian(s) and I understand and accept the service and commitment required should
I be selected for a leadership role. These include:**

1. Making FFA a focus for the year as a Junior State Officer, working closely with State Advisor.
2. Prior attendance at ALL days of the Base Camp Training.
3. Attendance at a minimum of 10 state officer meetings and at a minimum of 2 joint meetings with the Chapter Advisors required.
4. Participation in Maine FFA workshops (Chapter Officers and FFA Members) which may be held during my term.
5. Participation as availability permits in at least 1 or 2 FFA Class Presentations and other FFA events such as Agricultural Trades Show and Maine Agriculture Day.

**I understand attendance at 2 leadership activities is expected. I also understand that if at any point in the officer year I am unable to meet the above responsibilities, I will need to reexamine my commitment to office and may be asked by the State Advisor to submit my resignation.**

**While the state association will provide reimbursement for travel and registration fees incurred, I agree
to allocate the time this leadership opportunity demands.**

**I further agree to abide by the code of conduct established by and for the Maine FFA State Officers (see below “Maine FFA State Officers Commitment and Conduct Statement”).**

***MAINE FFA STATE OFFICERS COMMITMENT AND CONDUCT STATEMENT***

1. Be willing to above-described events/travel for the FFA.
2. Through preparation and practice, develop myself into an effective public speaker and project a desirable image of FFA at all times.
3. Evaluate periodically my personality and attitudes, making every effort to improve myself.
4. Strive to maintain a flexible attitude during inevitable changes in circumstances for some events.
5. Forego all alcohol, tobacco, and illegal substances at all times when participating in official FFA activities.
6. Conduct myself in a manner which commands respect without any display of superiority.
7. Drive cautiously in the course of FFA business (if applicable), including when traveling with other State FFA Officers and realize that transportation during the year may take various forms including riding in vehicles with other students, in State Vehicles with State FFA Advisor, in private vehicles with designated chaperones and in various forms of public transportation, potentially including airlines, busses, subways, trains and other.
8. Serve as a member of the team, always maintaining a cooperative attitude, and a willingness to follow instructions as directed by state and national staff.

**I understand all the conditions and expectations listed above and agree to comply fully:**

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**I have reviewed the conditions listed above with my child and agree to support them and the Maine FFA Association fully in its endeavors. Although a Junior State Officer position offers a development opportunity to my child, I understand that the duties and travel will require a commitment on my child’s part, a desire to make FFA a focus, and an ability to manage time wisely:**

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***STATEMENT OF ENDORSEMENT***

**We heartily endorse this student in his/her application for a junior state officer position. We certify that he/she has already received or will receive this year the Chapter FFA Degree. We believe this student will fulfill the commitments of this office and will act as a positive representative of both our school and the FFA. We believe that this student has the commitment to make FFA a focus, and the ability to manage his/her time wisely and to keep up with his/her studies. We understand there is some responsibility and travel included in this position, and we will provide our support to this student during his/her endeavors.**

FFA Advisor signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Principal signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_