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**100TH OKLAHOMA FFA
CONVENTION & EXPO**

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CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS SCHEDULE

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SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

- 1:00PM Oklahoma Chorus Leaders
(Arvest, Greenwood-Cherry Street)
- 2:30PM Chorus Members First Practice Session
(Arvest, Greenwood-Cherry Street)
- 6:00PM Chorus Kick-Off Dinner
(Arvest, Grand Hall C)

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2026

- 9:00AM Expo Exhibitors Move-In until 5:00PM
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
- 6:00PM State Officer, Parent and Staff Dinner
(Arvest, Grand Hall A)

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026

- 7:30AM State Officer Candidate Breakfast
(Arvest, Grand Hall A)
- 8:00AM Expo Exhibitors Move-In (Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
Agriscience Fair Division Winners Setup
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
Chapter Registration Begins
(BOK Arena, East Entrance)
- 8:30AM State Officer Candidate Orientation
(Arvest, Conference Hall C-D)
Courtesy Corps Orientation
(Arvest, Conference Hall A-B)
- 9:30AM **Pre-Show – FFA Talent Competition**
- 9:45AM **CONVENTION OPENING SESSION**
Kick-Off Speaker – Amy Downs
Agriscience Fair Recognition
Introduction of 2026-27 State Officer Candidates
Official Delegate Business Session
→ **Roll Call of Chapters (two delegates per chapter)**
→ **Primary Elections for President, Secretary and Reporter**

- 10:00AM Foundation Annual and Board Meetings
(Arvest, 3A-B-C, Third Floor)
Expo – Farm Credit Featuring Magician David Harris
→ Open until 6:00PM (Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
Alumni Silent Auction Open for Bids
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
- NOON Foundation Luncheon (Arvest, Grand Hall A)
- 1:00PM Prepared Public Speaking Contestants Meet
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)
State FFA Auctioneering Contest Finals
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall, Expo Talent Stage)
- 1:15PM Prepared Public Speaking Championship
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)

- 1:15PM **Pre-Show – FFA Talent Competition**
- 1:30PM **SECOND CONVENTION SESSION**
Ag-Ed Career Passports
Greetings from Out-of-State Officers
State Officer Parent Recognition
Ag-Ed Teacher Recognition
Future Ag-Ed Teacher Academy Recipients
OYE Academic All-State Scholarship Recipients
Tulsa State Fair Scholarship Recipients
National Chapter Award Recognition
Foundation Chapter Trust Contributors
Announce Run-Off Elections for President, Secretary and Reporter

- 3:30PM OAETA Board Meeting (Arvest, 3A-B-C, Third Floor)
- 4:00PM Future Ag Teacher Signing Ceremony
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)
- 5:00PM Former State FFA Officer Reunion Banquet
(Arvest, Grand Hall C)
Honorary and VIP Banquet (Arvest, Grand Hall A)

- 6:15PM **Pre-Show – FFA Talent Competition**
- 6:30PM **THIRD CONVENTION SESSION**
VIP Award Presentation
Public Speaking Division Winner Scholarships
Honorary State FFA Degree
Past State Officer Recognition

Highlights SCHEDULE



- 6:30PM **Proficiency and Special Award Presentations (Areas A-D)**

- 9:30PM Convention Concert (BOK Arena)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2026

- 7:30AM Career Development Event Awards Breakfast
(Arvest, Grand Hall A)

- 8:15AM **Pre-Show – FFA Talent Competition**
- 8:30AM **FOURTH CONVENTION SESSION**
National Officer Address
FFA Creed Presentation – Top 5 State Finalist
WLC Scholarship Presentations
State FFA Interscholastic Recognition
Making Things Better Recognition
Official Delegate Business Session
→ **Roll Call of Chapters**
→ **Final Elections for President, Secretary and Reporter (if necessary)**

- 9:00AM Expo – Farm Credit Featuring Magician David Harris
→ Open until 4:00PM (Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
Alumni Silent Auction Open for Bids
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
Hospitality Suite for FFA Advisers open until 3:00PM
(Arvest, Grand Hall A)
Southeast Area Officer Elections
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)
- 10:00AM Central Area Officer Elections
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)
- 11:00AM Southwest Area Officer Elections
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)
- 11:45AM Award Winners and Stars Luncheon
(Arvest, Grand Hall A)
- 1:00PM Northeast Area Officer Elections
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)

- 1:15PM **Pre-Show – FFA Talent Competition**
- 1:30PM **FIFTH CONVENTION SESSION**
State Advisor Remarks – Scott Nemecek
State Officer School and Community Recognition
State Star Selections
Proficiency and Special Award Presentations (Areas E-W)

- 1:30PM Alumni Silent Auction Bids Begin Closing
(Arvest, Pepsi Exhibit Hall)
- 2:00PM Northwest Area Officer Elections
(Arvest, Legacy Hall, Second Floor)

- 6:00PM **TALENT COMPETITION FINALS**
Recognize top 3 FFA chapters contributing to the Alumni Silent Auction

- 6:30PM **FINAL CONVENTION SESSION**
Drawing for New Ford Truck
Chorus Concert
State President's Retiring Address – Cooper Kline
Announce Talent Winner
State FFA Degree Ceremony
Presentation of 2026-27 State FFA Officers



Leadership WORKSHOPS

Conference Hall A-B



Innovative Impact: Memorable Methods For Students To Level Up Their Leadership

Blake Fly
Tuesday 1:15PM

Blake Fly uses live music, clean humor and non-political examples to invite students to make a positive impact, in some of the most simple and actionable ways. Students will be inspired by the stories, entertained by the dynamic way Blake

connects with audiences and equipped with actionable steps to level up their leadership.



How They Did It: Lessons from Oklahoma FFA Star Winners

Callen Veit and Hunter Brashears
Tuesday 2:15PM

Ever wonder what it takes to earn the title of Oklahoma FFA Star? Join 2025 State Star in Agriscience, Callen Veit, and 2025 State Star in Agricultural Business, Hunter

Brashears, as they share their journeys to success. Learn firsthand how they developed their award-winning projects, balanced leadership and SAE involvement, and prepared for the rigorous selection process. Whether you're just getting started or already working toward your own Star award, this session will give you practical advice and inspiration to help you reach the top.



Peach State Perspective: Georgia State FFA Officer Workshop

State Vice President Evan Hardeman
Tuesday 4:00PM

We are pleased to welcome Georgia State FFA Officer Evan Hardeman for a leadership workshop with our members. Georgia FFA serves more than 80,000 FFA members, and the strong friendship between Georgia FFA and Oklahoma FFA makes this opportunity especially meaningful.



Lead With Your Voice

Caleb Ames and Kayla Poling
Wednesday 10:30AM

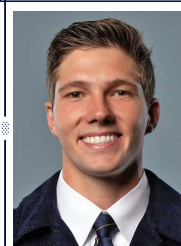
In this interactive leadership workshop, FFA members will discover their unique leadership voice, build confidence to speak up, and learn how leadership shows up through courage, service, and authenticity. Through engaging activities, reflection, and movement, members will leave with greater self-belief, a clearer understanding of their strengths, and one bold action they are committed to taking within the next week. This workshop empowers students to see themselves as leaders today.



Who Told You That?

Ketric Newell
Wednesday 1:00PM

In this workshop, Ketric will teach students how break free from the lies that shape them and help them replace the limiting beliefs with truth and step into their full potential.



Empower!

Trey Myers, National FFA President
Wednesday 4:00PM

Leadership is about more than holding a title; it is about empowering others to succeed. In this workshop, Trey Myers, National FFA President and one of our own from Oklahoma, will challenge FFA members to step confidently into leadership, use their voice with purpose, and serve with intention. Currently serving more than one million FFA members nationwide, Trey will share insights on leading with humility, responsibility, and impact in an ever-changing world.





Career Success WORKSHOPS

Conference Hall C-D

From Blue Jackets to Classrooms

Oklahoma State Teach Ag Results Committee
Tuesday 1:30PM

Your FFA experience doesn't have to end after graduation. Step into a career where you can continue leading, teaching, and making a difference. Join this workshop to explore the world of agricultural education, where every day brings new opportunities to motivate students, strengthen communities, and advance agriculture. Learn how you can turn your FFA passion into a meaningful profession.



Built to Work: Technician Careers Powering Oklahoma's Industries

Warren Cat
Tuesday 2:30PM

Skilled CAT technicians keep Oklahoma's agriculture, construction, energy, mining, and electric power industries running – from powering well sites and building highways to keeping data centers online. Many technicians start their careers through paid internships and on-the-job training. This workshop explores CAT technician careers that blend hands-on work with advanced technology, highlighting the skills required and training pathways that lead to a rewarding and impactful career.



Interview Like a Pro!

Oklahoma CareerTech
Leadership and Professional Development Division
Wednesday 11:00AM

Ready to stand out in your next job interview? This hands-on workshop, led by the Leadership and Professional Development staff at the Oklahoma Department of CareerTech, will help you master the skills that make a lasting impression. Learn how to prepare effectively, communicate with confidence, and highlight your strengths through professional examples and body language. The session will also cover how to create strong résumés and cover letters that set you apart. Whether you're applying for a scholarship, internship, or full-time position, discover the tools to present your best self and interview like a pro.



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LPD Leadership and Professional Development



Judging Livestock in College

Parker Henley
Tuesday 4:00PM

Thinking about continuing your livestock judging journey after graduation? Join Oklahoma State University Livestock Judging Coach Parker Henley for an inside look at what it takes to judge at the collegiate level. This workshop will explore scholarship opportunities, team travel, practice structure, and how competitive judging can open doors to leadership, career success, and lifelong

connections in the agricultural industry. Whether you're a seasoned competitor or just getting started, come learn how to take your judging experience to the next level.

Growing Your Future with KOCH Agronomic Solutions

KOCH Agronomic Solutions
Wednesday 9:45AM

Looking for a career that combines agriculture, science, and innovation? Learn how KOCH Agronomic Solutions is transforming plant nutrition and sustainability in modern farming. This workshop will introduce you to diverse career paths in agronomy, product development, and agricultural sales while showing how teamwork and technology drive success. Discover how you can grow your own future with a company dedicated to advancing the next generation of agricultural leaders.



Your Future in Agriculture with AFR

American Farmers and Ranchers Cooperative
Wednesday 1:30PM

Learn how American Farmers and Ranchers Cooperative helps young people build successful futures in agriculture. With roots dating back more than a century, AFR has been a trusted voice for Oklahoma farmers and ranchers and continues to invest in the next generation. This session highlights AFR youth programs including leadership summits, speech contests, scholarships, and internships, all designed to help young agriculturalists grow their skills, confidence, and purpose for a successful future in agriculture.



So, You Want to Be a Cowboy?

OSU Agriculture Ambassador Team
Wednesday 3:00PM

Ready to see what life as an OSU Cowboy could look like? Join us for an inside look at the Ferguson College of Agriculture and the exciting opportunities available at Oklahoma State University. You'll meet current OSU students who will share real-world experiences, insider advice, and everything they wish they had known before college. Come curious and bring your questions — our Ferguson College ambassadors can't wait to help you pave your path to becoming a Cowboy.



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Speakers & ENTERTAINERS



Amy Downs

Live Like You Mean It

What do you do when everything you have built is taken from you in a single moment? Amy Downs does not just speak about resilience she lives it. A survivor of the Oklahoma City bombing, Amy turned unimaginable tragedy into a lifetime of purpose and leadership. In 1995, that event shook our state and led to the postponement of the Oklahoma State FFA Convention, one of only two times in 100 years the convention was not held as scheduled.

As Oklahoma FFA celebrates its 100th State Convention, Amy's message challenges members to live with intention, lead with courage, and make every day count.

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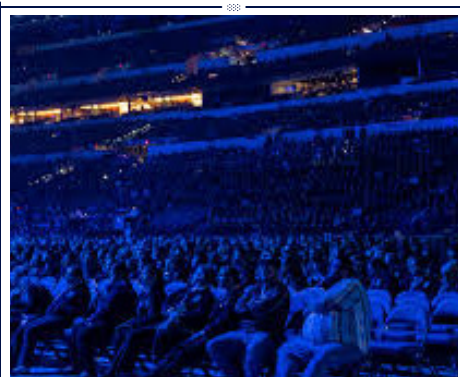
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Magician David Harris

Expo Entertainment

With sleight-of-hand artistry and a warm friendly personality, David is an amazing magician and accomplished entertainer who has attracted crowds from all around the world. He will be performing exclusively at the Farm Credit Association Booth in our Career Show Tuesday and Wednesday.



Concert Performers

The concert performer for this year's Oklahoma FFA Convention has not yet been determined. Details will be announced once arrangements are finalized. We look forward to sharing an exciting concert experience with members and guests at convention.

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PAST STATE FFA OFFICER REUNION

Tuesday, May 5
Arvest Convention Center • Grand Hall C
Reception 4PM • Banquet 5PM

Jarrold Johnson (2005-2006), Reunion Chairman

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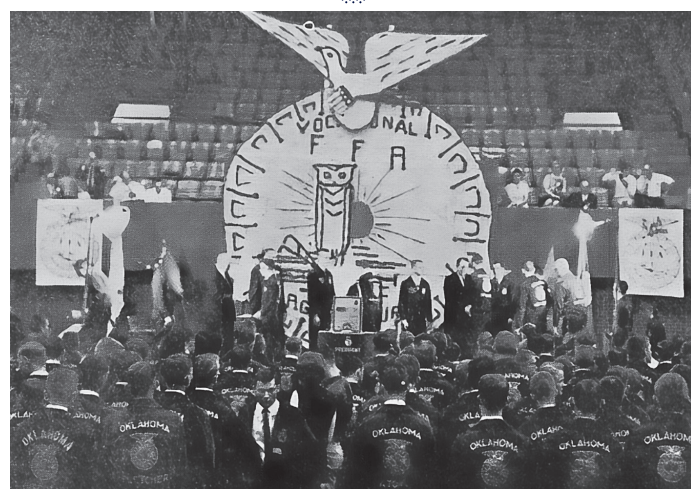
TALENT COMPETITION

A convention favorite, the Talent Competition has been the starting point for many FFA members as they discover and share their talents on the convention stage. Once again, you will help select the top six finalists and the one thousand dollar State Talent Winner through live polling on the State Convention Mobile App.



LIVE STREAM

All six general sessions will be livestreamed and available for free at convention.okffa.org.



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF OKLAHOMA FFA

This year marks the 100th Oklahoma FFA Convention. While National FFA was founded in 1928, Oklahoma formed its state organization in 1927 when students and teachers gathered at Oklahoma A&M College to establish the Future Farmers of Oklahoma. This milestone convention honors a century of leadership, learning, and service shaped by generations of Oklahoma FFA members. *Pictured above are FFA members receiving the State Farmer degree during the 39th convention in 1965.*

HALL OF CHAPTERS

The heart of FFA lives at the local level and so does its history. Be sure to visit the Hall of Chapters, located on the north end of the Convention Expo, to explore displays featuring historical items and memories from FFA chapters across the state.

INSIDE STATE CONVENTION

After every general session, join us on the arena floor for a live interview talk show featuring state officers, keynote speakers, award winners and special guests. Each show will include live audience interaction and opportunities to be part of the conversation. Attend in person at convention or watch every episode through livestream.



INSIDE OKLAHOMA FFA CONVENTION

Oklahoma FFA is an integral part of the Oklahoma CareerTech System