

Program Affiliation Fee

Implementation Information for 2009-2010 Pilot

The Agricultural Education Program Affiliation Option fosters the integrated agricultural education model as supported by the United States Department of Education. Program affiliation allows all agriculture education students to be eligible to participate in FFA as an integral part of their classroom/laboratory education and experiential learning /SAE program. The current individual FFA membership dues structure does not guarantee opportunities for all students to have access to an integrated agricultural education program and may present a barrier to those who do not understand the benefits of a total program as they enter agricultural education classes. As always engagement in FFA remains the responsibility of the Agriculture Education teacher and student. The program affiliation fee extends the opportunities to all students in a participating program to take advantage of all three components of a total program as they progress through the program. We will also be determining how this may assist in the retention of students in a local program.

Projected outcomes:

- *Provide opportunities to **Every Student, Every Classroom, Every Day***
- *Provide **EQUAL** opportunity for all students in **ALL** parts of the agricultural education model (classroom, SAE and FFA).*
- *Repositions FFA as **INTEGRAL** part of agricultural education in the classroom and removes the club connotation.*
- *Create more **EFFICIENT** use of class time and resources (cost per student, teacher's time, less money handling in dues collection).*
- *Opens access for **ALTERNATIVE FUNDING** sources to pay just one fee.*

Proposed Plan

Program affiliation fees are for 1 year (September 1 - August 31).

Single Affiliation roster will be submitted per chartered FFA chapter.

- The roster will include unduplicated individual names and addresses of **all secondary school students** enrolled in all agricultural education classes and/or eligible for active FFA membership.
- As a part of a secondary school FFA chapter, the roster will include the names and addresses of **graduated students** wishing to continue active FFA membership.
- As a part of a secondary school FFA chapter, the roster will include names and addresses of **middle school students** that choose to be active FFA members.
- **Stand-alone CHARTERED middle school** FFA chapters will submit a roster that will include the unduplicated individual names and addresses of all students enrolled in all agricultural education classes and eligible for active FFA members.

For the first year, the program affiliation fee pricing is determined by the adding:

1. Secondary agriculture education student enrollment
2. Middle school students and other students eligible for active FFA membership within the chapter
3. All graduated students continuing active FFA membership.

Program Affiliation Fee(s)

<i>Affiliation Student/member ranges</i>		Proposed Program Affiliation Fee
0	50	\$200
51	75	\$300
76	100	\$400
101	125	\$500
126	150	\$625
151	175	\$750
176	200	\$875
201	225	\$1,000
226	250	\$1,125
251	275	\$1,250
276	300	\$1,375
301	325	\$1,500
326	350	\$1,625
351	375	\$1,750
376	400	\$1,875
401	425	\$2,000
426	450	\$2,125
451	475	\$2,250
476	500	\$2,375
501	525	\$2,500
526	550	\$2,625
551	575	\$2,750
576	600	\$2,875
601	625	\$3,000
626	650	\$3,125
651	675	\$3,250
676	700	\$3,375

701	725	\$3,500
726	750	\$3,625
751	775	\$3,750
776	800	\$3,875
801	825	\$4,000
826	850	\$4,125
851	875	\$4,250
876	900	\$4,375
901	925	\$4,500
926	950	\$4,625
951	975	\$4,750
976	1000	\$4,875

After the first year, the program affiliation fee pricing is based on **previous year's total roster count**.

Service and Benefits

- Affiliate programs will receive
 - Free package of promotional items for awards programs
 - Free resource materials packet for affiliation programs
 - Free embroidery for one set of chapter officer and advisor team shirts
 - Free banquet planning guide
 - Early registration and selection of WLC options
 - Special e-newsletter highlighting benefits and promising practices to affiliate programs
 - Automatic shipment of proficiency award medals
 - Special coupon for use on future catalog purchases
 - Additional items will be added as they are identified