



# Gainesville FFA

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**Advisors:**

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Outstanding FFA Members,

Being a chapter FFA officer within Gainesville FFA is an honor that many strive for. Your duties as an officer will require you to lead your fellow FFA members for 12 months, beginning May 9 and ending at the 2020 Gainesville FFA banquet. Over the course of a year, you will be instrumental in planning all Gainesville FFA events, participating on LDE and CDE teams, and travel the state to attend camps, conventions, and conferences with your team.

In order to be selected for an officer position, you must first complete the application process. The requirements to hold an office are as follows:

- Be enrolled in an Ag class for the 2019-2020 school year
- Have been a member of FFA for at least 1 year
- No DAEP placement/ less than 6 days of ISS placement in the 2018-2019 school year
- Passing grades/eligible for extracurriculars at the time of application submission

The application process will include the following things:

- 20% Application (submitted no later than 4:00pm, May 1, 2019)
- 20% Writing prompt (completed in a supervised setting 4:15pm, Thursday May 2, 2019)
- 20% Interview (completed in a supervised setting 4:15pm, Thursday May 2, 2019)
- 40% Vote (each FFA member will be allowed to vote during class, NO CAMPAIGNING will be allowed during election process)

New officers will be posted at 4:00pm on Wednesday, May 8 outside of Room B406. Selected officers will be required to attend the FFA banquet on Thursday, May 9 to be placed into their new offices. Officers will be ranked in office by their combined score.

Elected officers will be required to complete these duties during the 2019-2020 year:

- Attend Area Leadership Camp (June 17-19)
- Attend Texas FFA Convention (July 15-19)
- Compete on a Leadership Team during the Fall 2019 semester
- Compete on a Career Team during the Spring 2020 semester
- Chair a committee for a major event hosted by Gainesville FFA
- Maintain passing grades during the 2019-2020 school year
- Uphold all student code of conduct requirements

Please use the instructions attached to complete the application process. We are so excited that you have chosen to seek a leadership role in this outstanding organization!

Warm regards,

Mrs. Broom  
Mrs. Osterman

#### Application: 20%

- Visit texasffa.org and select "Roster" in the top right corner
- Log into the student roster system using these credentials:
  - School email
  - Password: tx0300
- Click 'district FFA officer application' - we will be using this application for the chapter level as well
- Complete the following tabs:
  - Student Information
  - AFNR Courses (list all Ag classes you have taken by semester)
  - SAE Description (Your SAE is the project you have done in Ag. You will not all have one, but.... if you have owned an animal, worked an Ag related job, or created Ag mechanics projects, these would be examples of your SAE)
  - FFA Activities (LIST EVERYTHING)
  - School/community Activities (List anything you do outside of FFA)
  - Leadership Roles (FFA leadership offices, Section A; If you have served as a leader in any other organization such as thespians, NHS, Girl Scouts, etc, please put it in section B)
  - Leadership Achievements (provide your most memorable leadership opportunity)
  - Leadership Philosophies: Why I want to be a chapter FFA officer
  - Service Activities (add all of your community service; HINT: concession stands for FFA do NOT count)
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- Generate a PDF of the application and print these pages: 1-7
- Sign and have a parent/guardian sign at the bottom of the front page
- Turn in by 4:00pm, May 1, 2019

#### Writing Prompt: 20%

We want an officer team made up of individuals who are problem solvers and leaders. You will be given a time to attend a writing prompt session where you will be given a scenario that could/has happened to our FFA chapter and asked to write an essay. These essays will be labeled with a candidate number and judged by a teacher from another school district.

#### Interview: 20%

Being able to speak about FFA and leadership is a key part of leading an FFA chapter to greatness. You will be asked to sit in a 5-10 minute interview with stakeholders in the community and asked to answer questions based on your application.

#### Vote: 40%

Your name will be added to a ballot. Each student enrolled in an AFNR class is a paid FFA member and will be asked to vote for 2 candidates. You will not be allowed to campaign for a position using social media (facebook, instagram, Snapchat, twitter, etc) or posters. Please keep the election professional.

#### Tiebreaker:

In the event of a tie, the score on your application will serve as the tiebreaker.