



NEVADA FFA

Association Activities

National Leadership Conference for State Officers (NLC SO)

The four Nevada FFA State Officers attended this regional conference in Bryce Canyon, Utah at the end of June. Along with State Officers from several other western states including New Mexico, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Alaska, the Nevada FFA State Officers learned about team performance, how to develop, deliver and evaluate presentations, as well as how to build relationship among local, state, and national partners of the FFA.

State President's Conference

Nevada's President Casey Gallagher and Vice President Kali Evanson visited our nation's capitol in July for this week-long conference. Not only did they have an opportunity to meet with Nevada's representatives, they also continued their training in leadership development and promoting partner relationships as well as began the process of preparing issues for the national delegates to review during the 82nd National FFA Convention. President Casey Gallagher said, "This conference was an amazing experience! I learned so much about myself and my country and was only able to experience this because of my involvement within the FFA."

State Fair

The Nevada State Fair was held August 26 - August 30 at the Reno Livestock Events Center and Fairgrounds. Many of Nevada's agricultural education students participate in the Fair as they bring their animals and other projects to be judged. Students competed from several chapters including Mason Valley FFA, Smith Valley FFA, Sierra Nevada FFA, Carson Valley FFA, and Churchill County FFA. Events such as this, allows students an opportunity to showcase their products stemming from their Supervised Agriculture Experience projects.

Greenhand Conference

One hundred and forty seven incoming Nevada agricultural education students attended the Greenhand Conference in Fallon, Nev. on September 21st. These students took the first step toward being active members of their chapters. The Greenhand Conference is designed to introduce beginning FFA members to personal leadership development and how these types of behaviors can be implemented in order for them to be successful during their high school careers. This conference is incredibly engaging and students walk away from the conference enthusiastic about the opportunities within the FFA.

Zone Officer Training

Almost every Zone Officer within the Nevada FFA Association was present for this training. Designed to provide students with ideas for communicating and preparing events for their year of service as a Zone Officer, this event took on the idea of including the use of on-line technology as a form of communication among the Zone Officers. This conference took place the same day as the Greenhand Conference.

Soils and Range Career Development Events

The Soils and Range Career Development Events (CDE's) were held on September 29. Students from many chapters around Nevada competed to identify components of soil and range. The first high team for the Soils CDE was Churchill County and the high individual went to Allyssa O'Toole of the Moapa Valley FFA Chapter. The high team for the Range CDE was the Wells FFA Team and the high individual for the contest was Myles Nance from the Wells FFA Chapter. This event was made possible through the efforts of Mr. James Gatzke of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Howell Family, and the Great Basin College Aggies.

For more information and photos of these events and others, please visit www.nvaged.org.