HOW TO MAKE YOUR DIY CONVENTION GUIDEBOOK

Follow the instructions on this page to make your very own convention guidebook.

1. DO NOT PRINT THIS PAGE.
This is an instruction page. If you print this and try to make your guidebook, it will not have the correct number of pages.

2. PRINT PAGES 2–7 ONLY.
Print pages 2–7 as double-sided (or duplex). Set the pages to duplex on the LONG edge. If you need to do this manually, ensure that you are printing page 3 on the back of page 2; 5 on the back of 4, and page 7 on the back of page 6.

3. STACK, TRIM, AND FOLD.
Stack the pages in order. If you have done this correctly, the front image of the guidebook will be on page 1 of your stack, and the district farmers on page 3. Trim the edges and fold in half lengthwise. If you want, staple down the spine. Your guidebook should be about 4 inches wide and 9 inches tall, depending on your printer.

Enjoy!
The Washington FFA Association provides educational, leadership, and career development opportunities for students enrolled in agricultural education across Washington state.

GET CONNECTED!

Convention is more social (and more fun) than ever! Follow us on our favorite sites for convention updates, contests, fun facts, and more. Use the hashtag #WAFAThisIsUs to connect across platforms.

Facebook.com/washingtonffa
Like our page to post your photos and keep in touch with the state officer team throughout the year!

Instagram.com/washingtonffa

Youtube.com/washingtonffa

Twitter: @washingtonFFA

WATCH CONVENTION ONLINE!

Everyone can watch convention events and videos from home by visiting: facebook.com/washingtonffa
WELCOME TO THE 90TH WASHINGTON FFA STATE CONVENTION!

Whether your trek took you across the state or just down the road, we welcome you to our virtual convention. We are so excited to all be here together to help celebrate the success and milestones within our association.

Over the next few weeks we will be joined by fellow FFA members, hardworking advisors and special guests from around the state who have come to be a part of and witness who we are as Washington FFA. All of us will have the opportunity to hear from inspiring guest speakers, celebrate our successes, and witness many great achievements.

One of the many great things about this organization is that there is a place for everybody. Throughout the year FFA members have taken different paths to getting involved in order to better themselves and the community around them. During each week’s at virtual session we will be honoring the different avenues members have chosen to take, including superior Supervised Agricultural Experiences, participants in Career and Leadership development events, State Degree Recipients, and so many more!

Washington FFA gained its charter in 1930, making 2020 the 90th year of FFA here in the Evergreen State. Throughout these ninety years we have created a family, and a community that is always there to support one another. We have adopted values such as diversity, teamwork, growth, and excellence, and as a team we are so grateful that we have been given the chance to witness all these traits reflected in each and every one of you. This is who we are, This is us. Now is the time to embrace that, to look back and remember those who came before us, and to leave a legacy for the future.

As the next few weeks pass, we encourage you all to slow down and appreciate the small moments, the ones that get caught up in this whirlwind of a month. We encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and to do something you haven’t before. We encourage you to make memories that will last a lifetime. As the next few weeks go by, all a little too quickly, we encourage you to take in Washington FFA for what it is and for who it is. Regardless of if it’s your first state convention or your last, you will leave feeling and knowing what you are a part of. You will leave saying “This Is Us”.

-Awson, Kendyl, Devin, Abbie, Mara, Hannah Ruth

SESSION 4 KEYNOTE

MARJI GUYLER-ALANIZ

Marji Guyler-Alaniz, President and Founder of FarmHer, is a lifetime Iowan and lover of photography. That love, combined with Graphic Design, Journalism and Photography degrees from Grand View University, an MBA from Drake University and an 11-year career in corporate agriculture working for a crop insurance company led her to launch FarmHer in the spring of 2013. Through FarmHer she is bringing the stories of women to the forefront of agriculture, food and rural communities. Marji has expanded the FarmHer brand to include a weekly award-winning national cable television show, a weekly SiriusXM radio show and podcast, a diverse array of digital and print media and a line of merchandise for women. Her work for FarmHer has been featured in an expanse of arenas ranging from an Emmy-winning documentary, SiriusXM and RFD-TV to O the Oprah Magazine.

Learn more about Marji at FarmHer.com
SESSION FOUR
“LEGACY. MEMORIES.”

MAY 24–JUNE 1

May 24 3 p.m. Session 4 Preview

May 25 9 a.m. Memorial Day Celebration

May 26 9 a.m. Opening Ceremony
  3 p.m. Session Welcome
  by State Treasurer Abbie Dorhauer & State Vice President Kendyl Wiley
  6 p.m. Keynote by Marji Guyler-Alaniz

May 27 9 a.m. Recognition of Soils & Land Evaluation CDE and Washington’s National FFA Convention Delegate
  3 p.m. National Chapter Candidates
  6 p.m. District & State Stars Presentation

May 28 6 p.m. Retiring Address by Devin Schafer, State Secretary immediately followed by FFA Chopped with the State Officers

May 29 6 p.m. Retiring Address by Awson Wheeler, State President immediately followed by FFA Chopped with the State Officers

May 30 9 a.m. Senior Sendoff Celebration
  6 p.m. Year-in-Review

June 1 3 p.m. 2019-2020 State Officer Team Farewell
  6 p.m. Announcement of 2020-2021 State FFA Officer Positions & Closing Ceremony

JOIN US ONLINE!

We may have moved our convention to the virtual world, but that doesn’t mean we can’t have an amazing time connecting with each other and celebrating Washington FFA!

HERE’S HOW TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Visit our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/washingtonffa
Every day we’ll post a new video celebrating our incredible FFA members, celebrating the achievements of our chapters, and recognizing excellence across Washington State.
Each video will be posted as a Facebook Premiere, so we will be watching with you, chatting in the comments, and having fun! You can even set a reminder for the videos you want to watch.
No Facebook? That’s OK, you can still watch everything on our Facebook Page without logging in.

We’ll also post each video at www.washingtonffa.org/90
This page will be our convention archive, so you can revisit and watch your favorite videos again and again.

Share the fun with #WAFFAThisIsUs!
The more you comment on our videos, share them, and post about convention with the hashtag #WAFFAThisIsUs, the more people will see and enjoy our online convention.
Never before have we been able to invite so many people to enjoy convention, so invite your teachers, family, and friends to tune in and see the best of Washington FFA.

State Treasurer Abbie Dorhauer & State Vice President Kendyl Wiley

Devin Schafer
State Secretary

Awson Wheeler
State President
DISTRICT STARS

STARS IN PLACEMENT

Heidi Cruz
Tonasket

John Paul Scotto
Yelm

Emanual Munoz
Prosser

Braedon Van Berkum
Lynden Christian

★ Timothy Harder
LaCrosse

★ Gilberto Padilla Rodriguez
Bridgeport

★ Spencer Miller
Lind-Ritzville

★ State Star Finalist

STARS IN AGRIBUSINESS

Heidi Cruz
Tonasket

Gavin Sahli
Quincy

☆ Timothy Harder
LaCrosse

☆ Gilberto Padilla Rodriguez
Bridgeport

☆ Spencer Miller
Lind-Ritzville

☆ State Star Finalist

SESSION THREE
“BOLD. DIVERSE.”

MAY 17–23

May 17
3 p.m. Session 3 Preview

May 18
9 a.m. Opening Ceremony
3 p.m. Session Welcome by 2019-2020 State FFA Officers
6 p.m. Greetings from Convention Guests

May 19
9 a.m. Recognition of Potato Evaluation & Tractor Driving CDEs
3 p.m. Recognition of CDE/LDE Coordinators
6 p.m. Sponsor Recognition
7 p.m. Greetings from Washington FFA Alumni & Supporters

May 20
9 a.m. Recognition of American Degree Candidates
3 p.m. Keynote by Kolesen McCoy, National FFA President

May 21
6 p.m. Parent & Advisor Recognition

May 22
9 a.m. Proficiency Award Presentation
6 p.m. Announcement of Appointed State Officers

May 23
6 p.m. Announcement of Washington’s National Officer Candidate
7 p.m. Closing Ceremony

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SESSION 2 KEYNOTE

JESSE LEBEAU

My name is Jesse and I want to be completely transparent with you. My whole life I’ve been overlooked and underestimated, and I always felt like I had to prove myself. I’ll be honest it didn’t always make for a lot of fun growing up, but looking back at it now I couldn’t be more thankful that I was an underdog.

It taught me the importance of hard work, to believe in myself, and how to take complete ownership for my life. I learned how to go from the victim to the victor and how to turn my biggest weaknesses into my greatest strengths. Qualities that served me very well as I pursued happiness and success in this crazy thing we call life.

Jesse understands what it feels like to try to form and discover your identity and purpose. He has learned that life’s battles can be won, armed with a sense of humor and an optimistic attitude.

Sharing his struggles, Jesse encourages people to view their lives through a new lens and embrace three words that changed his life: ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING. His empowering story of triumph encourages all people to think of themselves, and how they can turn their biggest weaknesses into their greatest strengths!

Learn more about Jesse at jesselebeau.com

SESSION 3 KEYNOTE

KOLESEN MCCOY, NATIONAL FFA PRESIDENT

When he was in junior high, Kolesen McCoy was offered an opportunity to attend Global Impact STEM Academy, a new high school focused on science, technology, engineering, and math-based curriculum. While attending the program, he was asked about starting an FFA chapter and his FFA career began.

“I took a leap of faith and quickly found my place in the blue jacket,” McCoy said. Through his experiences with his supervised agricultural experiences, he said he learned an incredible amount of business skills and how to relate to others.

“I want to be an authentic advocate for our industry and partners and a friend to those in and out of the blue jacket,” McCoy said.

DISTRICT STARS

STAR FARMERS

★ Rebecca Griffin
Yelm

★ Gary Young
Chehalis

★ Mattea Gines
Springdale

★ Maddy Dixon
Pomeroy

★ Cristy Langdon
Castle Rock

★ Cooper Raap
Quincy

STAR IN AGRISCIENCE

★ Kalista Wales
Sumner

★ State Star Finalist

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State Reporter Mara Soto &  
State Secretary Devin Schafer  
6 p.m. Greetings from  
Convention Guests |
| May 5 | 3 p.m. | Recognition of Apple Evaluation CDE &  
100% Membership  
6 p.m. Greetings from Dr. Woodard, National FFA Advisor |
| May 6 | 6 p.m. | Retiring Address by  
Abbie Dorhauer, State Treasurer  
immediately followed by FFA Chopped  
with the State Officers |
| May 7 | 3 p.m. | State Association  
Membership Celebration  
6 p.m. Introduction of State  
Officer Candidates |
| May 8 | 6 p.m. | Retiring Address by  
Hannah Ruth Pettyjohn, State Sentinel  
immediately followed by FFA Chopped  
with the State Officers |
| May 9 | 9 a.m. | *This is Us in Blue* Fashion Show  
6 p.m. Give the Gift of Blue Celebration  
7 p.m. Closing Ceremony |

| **SESSION TWO** | **MAY 10-16** | | |
| May 10 | 3 p.m. | Session 2 Preview |
| May 11 | 9 a.m. | Opening Ceremony  
3 p.m. Session Welcome by  
State Sentinel Hannah Ruth Pettyjohn & State President Awson Wheeler  
6 p.m. Greetings from WSU CAHNRS |
| May 12 | 6 p.m. | Retiring Address by  
Mara Soto, State Reporter  
immediately followed by FFA Chopped  
with the State Officers |
| May 13 | 3 p.m. | Recognition of Dairy Products  
Evaluation & Citizenship Essay  
6 p.m. Recognition of  
Association & Foundation Boards of Directors  
7 p.m. Honorary State Degree Ceremony |
| May 14 | 6 p.m. | Retiring Address by  
Kendyl Wiley, State Vice President  
immediately followed by FFA Chopped  
with the State Officers |
| May 15 | Keynote by Jesse LeBeau |
| May 16 | 6 p.m. | State Degree Ceremony  
7 p.m. Closing Ceremony |