New York Agricultural Education Team

**New York Agricultural Education Staff**
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**Top Row:** Derek Hill, Director, New York Association of FFA; Bill Waite, Program Director, Osweugatchie Educational Center; Rolland Krohn, Ropes Course Director, Osweugatchie Educational Center; Terry Hughes, Program Specialist, New York Agricultural Education; Todd Lighthall, Director, New York FFA Foundation. **Not pictured:** Chike Nnabugwu, NYS Representative for Agricultural Education, New York State Department of Education

**New York Agricultural Education** provides professional development opportunities for teachers K-12, educates students about the agricultural fields, and develops leaders with soft skills that make young people marketable to potential employers. Agricultural Education strives to aide in creating an agriculturally literate generation to fill positions in the ever growing agricultural workforce.

**Where We Are**
**Percentage of Schools with Agricultural Programs**
From a school district with 200 K-12 students, to the largest school district in the United States, agricultural education is in a school near you!

**Urban:** 7%

**Rural:** 51%

**Programs in New York State**
**Agricultural Educators and Students**

**Educators Impact**
One New York Agricultural Educator directly impacts eighty-eight students

1 = 88
New York Agriculture teachers participated in over **7,670 hours** of professional development in these eight pathways sponsored by the New York Association of Agricultural Educators and Cornell University.

What do New York Agricultural Education Programs Teach?

**OVER 320 AGRICULTURAL EDUCATORS** teach the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Content Career Cluster standards at 211 middle and/or high schools across the state so that more than 10,000 students can gain an in-depth understanding of the different sectors of the agriculture industry.

**NEW YORK AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PATHWAYS:**
Percent of students who participate in each education pathway

- **PLANT SYSTEMS**: 73%
- **POWER STRUCTURAL & TECHNICAL SYSTEMS**: 53%
- **AGRIBUSINESS SYSTEMS**: 52%
- **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE SYSTEMS**: 79%
- **FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS**: 48%
- **ANIMAL SYSTEMS**: 20%
- **BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS**: 42%
- **NATURAL RESOURCES SYSTEMS**: 52%

“"The love for, scope of, and intertwining variety of the agricultural subject matter made choosing agricultural education an easy career choice. Where else can you educate the next generation about plants, animals, careers, and mechanical abilities using the applications of ELA math, science, and history?"”

Gleason Walley, NYAAE President
Message from our State FFA Officers

When New York State FFA was formed in 1926, students were given an opportunity to immerse themselves with leadership and agriculture skills that they would gain through this association. Ninety-three years later, FFA members have benefited from the actions taken that year. With nearly 140 chapters across the state, over 7,000 members, and many supporters, New York State FFA is excited to grow and continue its success.

As a state officer team, our number one goal is to increase our membership across the state. This year we would like to charter fifteen new chapters and increase our membership to 10,000 members by March of 2020. Schools are very interested in adding agricultural education and FFA programs to their curriculum. During 2018, we have already chartered eleven new chapters. Steps have already been taken to achieve and then exceed our 10,000 membership goal. In late 2018, New York became an affiliate state, which makes every student enrolled in an agriculture course a member of FFA. This factor, in addition to the significant increase in interest from schools that have gone on and started new chapters, is the reason why at the 92nd National FFA Convention, New York was recognized as having the largest percentage of growth for 2019! This year we have challenged FFA chapters to continue growing our association. The chapter with the greatest percentage increase in members by March 1st, will be recognized at State FFA Convention in May.

During the 2019 National FFA Convention, New York FFA accomplished a goal that it had set two years ago. At the delegate session, we were able to successfully make an amendment to the National FFA Constitution changing the requirements of the state degree to make it so that more students will have the opportunity to be able to receive their Empire Degree before they graduate high school. The 2017-2018 state officer team put forward this promising plan for change. In 2019, delegates from across the country cast their vote in favor of this amendment which will make the FFA experience so much more memorable and valuable to thousands of students.

This year, as we keep our convention theme in mind, Dare to Be, we need to continue to challenge ourselves and push beyond our limits in order to move our organization forward in a positive direction. Dare to Be bold and make that change you want to see in yourself. We are excited to see what this next year has in store and hope to see you at one of our many events this year!

With anticipation,

FFA CHAPTERS

As of November 15th, 2019, 11 new FFA Chapters were chartered in New York

30% MEMBERSHIP INCREASE OVER 2018

Our Chapter of the Year: Tully FFA

The Tully FFA Chapter located in Tully, New York was selected as the 2019 New York State FFA Chapter of the Year. Tully FFA and the agricultural education program has gone above and beyond to serve their students, community and the state by participating in the Tully Community Day, creating a display in the FFA Building at the Great New York State Fair, and volunteering to park cars at Empire Farm Days, to name a few! Tully FFA was recognized by the National FFA Organization as one of New York’s two 3-Star Chapters on the National level. The Chapter represented New York in the Hall of States at the National FFA Convention and Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana where they met with FFA members, supporters, alumni and friends from across the nation to talk about their program, New York agriculture and the FFA.
New York Agricultural Education and FFA
By the Numbers

NY INCOME AND EXPENDITURES (BY %)

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STUDENT CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS ATTENDANCE (% OF TOTAL STUDENTS)

Career development events are competitive events that occur at multiple different levels that allow students to hone in on their skills and shine in areas that interest them.

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FFA STUDENTS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

Based on a survey by the National FFA Organization and Purdue University

- 71.4% Attend a four-year college
- 3.7% Join the military
- 4.1% Attend training or vocational school
- 17.8% Attend a two-year college
- 3.7% Obtain a full- or part-time job

FFA TESTING SCORES

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KEY POINTS

The results of this study with Purdue University indicate that FFA members are high achievers in the classroom and in terms of their future careers.

- Involvement in FFA is correlated with academic success.
- Involvement in FFA is correlated with higher career readiness.
- FFA members have specific plans for after high school.
- FFA members have the desire to stay involved in agriculture as they go into their careers.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCES

Over 7,500 FFA members participated in state Leadership Development Conferences over the last year.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Number of students attending events in 2019.

- 212/360 Conference: 759
- State Convention: 1390
- National Convention: 750
- Big E: 50
- Actions Influence Members: 35
- ELPs: 135
- Camp Oswegatchie: 856
- State Leaders Experience: 100
- Chapter Visits: 1500
- State Officer & District President Candidates: 50
- State Officer Tour: 1000
- State Fair: 925
New York Agriculture in the Classroom

**NATIONAL AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Twenty-seven New York educators traveled to Little Rock, Arkansas for the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference to participate in experiential learning workshops, explore local agriculture on traveling workshops, and collaborate with over 450 teachers also passionate about providing their students authentic learning experiences through agriculture.

New York Agriculture in the Classroom fully funded twenty of the teachers to attend the premier professional development conference about teaching through a lens of food and agriculture.

**AGRICULTURAL LITERACY WEEK**

Agricultural Literacy Week is a statewide effort to educate students about the importance of agriculture in their daily lives, achieved by volunteers visiting schools to read an agricultural-themed book to first through third graders and lead a paired hands-on activity.

**2019 AGRICULTURAL LITERACY WEEK BY THE NUMBERS**

- 3,200 Classrooms visited
- 1,500 Volunteer readers
- 75,000 Students impacted
- 2,225 Books donated
- 62 County programs

“I have always had an appreciation for agriculture and understood its importance. However, as a result of the Agriculture in the Classroom conference, I have gained an even more in-depth understanding and gratefulness for agriculture and how it impacts our everyday lives.”

Amy Gosier, Ballston Spa Central School

“The students are actively engaged and love being part of the unique experiences that our Agriculture in the Classroom is able to offer; from grants to participating in conferences where I can expand my learning and share it with my students.”

Stephanie Locke, DeRuyter Central School

Congressman Antonio Delgado visits a classroom in his district to read for Agricultural Literacy Week.

On the Farm, At the Market by G. Brian Karas captivated students as they learned about the steps it takes to grow, harvest, or produce food to be sold at a farmer’s market.

NYAITC Advisory Committee member, Kate Downes, reads to Homer Elementary School.
Integrating food, agriculture, and nutrition in schools was made relevant and successful for twenty-one teachers across the state with New York Agriculture in the Classroom’s second annual Grow with Us Grant. The goal of the Grow with Us Grant is to provide teachers the tools to extend the school gardening season to facilitate experiential-learning opportunities with agriculture. Teachers earned one of two indoor grow systems.

“...We have had success with our growing systems. It is a perfect addition to our school and gives us a chance to collaborate with colleagues across curriculum, age level, and learning abilities. All of my students are very interested in the plants on a daily basis. The tower garden has allowed for several teachable moments in my classroom which has been a wonderful experience for my students and I.”

Melinda Martin, Morristown Central School
Financial Support of the NY FFA Foundation

Financial contributions are the key to success of the NY FFA Foundation. Over the past eighteen months, we have generated a record level of contributions due in large part to our Capital Campaign for Oswegatchie, but also for general support of the NY FFA. This report is not broken down by categories this year, rather we have listed alphabetically the 600 names of donors who made an impact between January 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019. At the conclusion of the 2019 funding year, a supplemental report will be shared showcasing the levels of support and our lifetime donors. Thank you to our donors, whose investment of every size, make a daily impact in the lives of New York FFA members.

INDIVIDUAL GIVING
RANGE OF GIFTS $5 TO $162,000

Niles Brown
Duane & Becky Brown
Terry & Cyndee Burton
Warren & Jean Burton
John Busekst
Julie King Bushart
Charles & Joan Button
Levi & Debi Cahan
William “Zip” Cain
Richard Campany
Dave Canfield
Katie Carpenter
William & Agnes Carr
Coleen Carroll
Kara Case
Heather Caswell
Bill Catania
David Chamberlain
Sam & Barb Chamberlain
Alfred & Joan Chapin
Malcom Chapin
Christy Charise
Jason Charrtant
Richard Chase
James Chorman
Kiehl Christie
Dick & Joyce Church
Jon & Rachel Clayton
Veronica Clayson
Jeff & Nancy Colgan
Adam & Torie Collins
Timothy & Leslie Comings
Carol Comiski
Jenny Connelly
James & Barbara Cooke
Phyllis Coome
Dwight Coombe
Ric & Karen Coome Family
Howard Cornell
Carol Wright Corson
Heather Coupal
Anthony & Melissa Cronk
Karen Cummings
Matt Currie
William & Joanne Daley
Maez Damcott
Jackie Damour
Gail Stewart Daughtery
Kim Davidson
John Deasy
Leonard & Valerie Debuck
Steve DeBuck
Roy Denniston
Perry Dewey
Stine Diamond Owens
David Dodge
Katie Dolan
Jon & Kate Downes
Pat Downes
Michael & Patricia Drahos
Logan Drake
Howard & Brenda Eaton
Kaylie Eaton
Sherri Eccleston
Charlley Eddy
Adam & Kelly Eick
Todd Eick
Meghan Eiermann
Walter & Mary Elmore
Lori Von Seydewits Emmons
Bruce & Kathleen Erath
Judy Emvenew
Penhollow Family
John & Mariann Fessenden
Harry & Arts Finn
Mark & Deb Fletcher
Wayne & Patricia Fletcher
Wayne & Elizabeth Foote
Pat Ford
Daryl & Sharon Foster
Ruth Frost
Paul & Mary Ellen Gabriel
David & Catherine Galley
Gerald & Carolyn Killigrew Jr
Lindsey Gerstenslarger
Megan Golden
Joe Gould
In Memory of Arthur (Ted) Greene
Vicky Gregory
Rita Greis
Christopher Gridley
Spencer & Judy Gridley
Dan Gridley & Family
Scott & Linda Grigor
Kaylah Gulley
Mia Haaland
Elise Handler
Jill Hannan
Timothy Havens
Edwina Hay
Jean Head
Jon & Danielle Head
Jennifer Henderson
Mark & Molly Henderson
In Memory of Leon & Edith Herzog
Gary & Elise Herrig
Mathew & Daniella Hibbard
Derek & Melissa Hill
Nicole & Andrew Hirt
Matt Hobart
Taylor Hodge
Richard & Mary Hoffman
Todd Hofheins
Dan & Tara Hooker
Patrick & Karen Hooker
Denise Hopkins
Lauren Hopkins
Brett Horr
Lyle Hotis
Terry & Lois Hughes
Sarah Hulick
Danny & Jen Hunt
Rachel Hunt
Travis & Molly Huttar
Richard Ingraham
Mary & Jose Interiano
Lucas Irwin
Terry Ives- Greenview Farms
Jarret Jacobes
Michaela Jacobsen
Nina Miner-James
Charlie Jenison
Renee Johnson
Richard & Kathleen Jones
William Jones
Hannah Jones
Donald Jones
Kimberly Hallock Jones
Allison Jones-Brimmer
Susan Karahus
Jennifer Kareus
Lewis Kaugman
Lori Kashorek
Christine Keet
Norman & Carol Kehl
Michaela Kehler
Chris & Stephanie Kelley
Paul & Jennie Kelly
Patrick Kelty
John & Dianne Kemmeren
John Keough
Amy Kesler
Gerald & Carolyn Killigrew
Richard Kimmich
Priscilla & Steven King
David Knight
Karen Koenig
Koerner Family
David Kohl
Chris & Jennifer Krager
Charlie & Dot Krause
In Memory of Judy Krause
Auggie
Martin Krause
Jeanette Kreher
Adam & Elizabeth Krenning
Butch & Tricia Kritsberg
Denise Kriehn
Brian LaChausse
Noah Lacy
Patrick LaFollette
Beth, Neil & Megan Lamb
Eric Larsen
Jennifer Laubscher
Mark & Beth Lay
Audra Leach
Sam & Esther Leadley
Gerald LeClair
Dick LeClair
Kate Costa Leming
Teresa Lenert
Mo Lepine
Cassie & Jim Lewis
Diane Lewis
Raymond & Barbara Lighthall
Todd & Shari Lighthall
Lou & Miranda Locurato
Greg & Eileen Lumb
Nate Lundquist
Linda Lynskey & Family
Lynn Stacy Lyndaker
William Mack
Christine MacNeil
Katie & Evan Mankoff
John Mann
Fred & Margot Marcus
Mari Angers Martin
Roy & Carol Matteson
Dayton & Amy Maxwell
Kathryn McCarthy
James & Judy McClay
KimberlyMcKown
Robin McLean & Gino Batterby
Than Mehlenhacker
Joe & Cindy Miller
Margarit Miller
Neal & Mary Miller
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mitchell
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In Memory of Charles Moore
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Wilbur Mull
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New Berlin Class of 1981
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Alicia Patterson
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Susan & Mark Penhollow
Jeff & Becky Perry
Paul Perry
Kate Pettello
Melvin & Jennifer Phelps
Wyatt Phelps
Dwight & Gayle Putnam
Kenneth Quick
Bill & Maryann Ransom
Christopher Rathbun
Gerald Reed
Corey & Shelly Reed
Jennifer Regelkuti-Rotman
Mark Renner
Karl Reome
Stephanie Rhoades
Andrew & Robin Rice
Sharon Spies Robichaude
Victor Rodriguez
Brady Rogers
Logan Rohr
Michele Rowe
Catie Rowe
Tracy Rowe
Retwinck & Candy Russell
Glenna Ryan
Lowell Sanders
Amy Sanderson
Amelaila Scala
Monica Schaefer
Keith & Paulette Schiebel
James & Donna Schiebel
Noel & Christina Schneider
Kevin Schofield
Karl & Charlottle Schweitzer
Sam Shaprio
Tim & DonnaLee Shields
Sheila Sreca
Kaylie Siddall
Peter & Judy Signor
Todd Simpson
Meghan Sinderlar
Ann Smith
Erik Smith
Jennifer Smith
Jeremiah & Julia Smith
Ronald Smith
Steven Smith
Leuen & Tim Smichling
Mary Snider
Ken Spruteles
Mark & Janet St. Pierre
Sheri Staib
Christine Stanley
Derek Stiefel
Mary Stine
William & Jean Stowell
Rick & Vonnie Strangeway
April Susan
Dean & Diane Sutphin
Carlton & Rebecca Sutton
Gary & Maureen Swan
Tara Taylor
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Lynn Telaak
Jamie & Amber Thibodeau
Aaron Thorne
Paige Thorne
Marjory Tiffany
JoAnn Tolbert
Joleah Tolosky
Nathaniel Tompkins
Lee Traver
Chris & Cindy Tzetzis
Mihali Tzetzis
Chrisie Busekist Urf
Ciera Utter
Bill & Maria VanDerWoude
Larry VanDeValk
Michele Vanornan
Stephen Vanorman
Ken and Tonya VanSlyke
Lyn Vantassel
In Memory of Neita
Van Valkenburgh
Kim and Kyle Vibbard Family
Theri Gabel-Voss
Roland Wade
Vicki Wagner
John and Theresa Wagner
Lynn Waite
Bill & Robin Waite
Joseph Waite
Chad Wall
James & Mary Wall
Jay & Kate Waltz
Robert Warner
Michelle Watkins
Jenny Watson
Durland Weale
Hermann & Laura Weber
Weber Family
Elle Webster
Rob Welsh
Nancy Welsh
Rick Welch
Ann Western
Ken Weston
Karim Wightman
Tammy Williams Owens
Ashley Willets
Julie Wilson
Jerry & Shirley Witter
Stuart & Carol Wood
Susie Woodward
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Carol Wright
Sara Yale
Kathy Yoachim
Bonabasha Young
Julie Young
Tracy Young
Wayne & Kay Youngs
Fr Tom Zafres
Jessica Zeh

**BUSINESS & INDUSTRY SUPPORT**

**RANGE OF GIFTS $50 TO $20,000**

- Aerial Equipment Service
- Alfred State University
- Agro Liquid
- Atlas Ag Services, LLC
- Attica Vet Associates PC
- Basset Healthcare Network
- Beardsey Architects
- Bessies Best Compost, LLC
- Buckingham Hardware
- Butternut Valley Grange
- Byrne Dairy, Inc.
- Catania Chiropractic
- Cayuga Milk Ingredients
- CNY Community Foundation
- Cooper Union Community Bank, NA
- Cornell University
- Custom Ag Solutions, Inc.
- Eastern Crown, Inc.
- Erie & Niagara Insurance
- Farm Credit East, Burreville Branch
- Farm Credit East, ACA
- Ferry & Gripp Veterinary Svcs.
- Florida Agricultural Marketing Assoc.
- Florida Fruit Association Inc.
- Geronimo Energy
- Greenville Saw Service, Inc.
- Harden Foundation
- Hudson River Tractor Company, Inc.
- Ideal Dairy, LLC
- Impact Pro Parts Inc.
- Jack Miller & Family Trucking
- John B Martin & Sons Farm Inc
- John Clark - NASF
- Kast Farms Inc.
- Kehears Farm Fresh Eggs, LLC
- LandVest, Inc.
- Morrisville State University
- National FFA Foundation
- NBT Bank- In Honor of Ed Coates
- New York Agricultural Outreach Program
- New York Forest Owners Association
- New York State FFA Alumni
- New York State Grange
- Northeast Agribusiness & Feed Alliance Inc.
- Northeast Dairy Producers Association, Inc.
- Northrup Farm Supply
- NYAAE Teacher Auction
- NYS FFA Association
- NYS FFA Endowment Fund
- Oswego State University
- Paul Smith’s College
- Pats Jays Fresh Fruit
- Peake Awesome Farm Company, Inc.
- Penn Yan Farm
- Pine Plains FFA
- Pioneer FFA
- Pioneer Jr. FFA
- Remsen FFA
- Salem FFA
- Salmon River FFA
- Schoharie Valley FFA
- Sherman FFA
- Sidney FFA
- Sidney FFA Alumni
- South Jefferson FFA
- South Lewis FFA
- Southern Cayuga FFA
- Spiegelville FFA
- Stockbridge Valley FFA
- Stockbridge Valley FFA Alumni
- Tri Valley FFA
- Unadilla Valley FFA
- VVS FFA & Alumni
- Waterville Valley FFA

**FFA CHAPTER SUPPORT**

**RANGE OF GIFTS $250 TO $2,500**

- Adirondack FFA
- Afton FFA
- Albion FFA
- Alexandria Bay FFA
- Attica FFA
- Beaver River FFA
- Beekmantown FFA
- Belleville Henderson FFA
- Berne Knox Westerlo FFA
- Byron Bergen FFA
- Canton FFA
- Carthage FFA
- CG May FFA
- Clymer FFA
- Cobleskill Richmondville FFA
- Delaware Academy FFA
- Finger Lakes Tech & Career Center
- Fonda Fultonville FFA & Alumni
- Greenville Jr. FFA
- Greenville Sr. FFA
- Greenville FFA
- Groton Ag Advisory Board
- Hamilton FFA
- Homer FFA
- Indian River FFA
- Jasper Troupsberg Ag Advisory Committee
- Jasper Troupsberg FFA
- John Bows FFA
- Lowville FFA
- Lowville FFA Alumni
- Madison FFA
- Marathon FFA
- Marcus Whitman FFA
- Medina FFA
- Mt. Markham FFA
- Northwest Regional H.S.
- Otsego Valley FFA
- Oxford FFA
- Penn Yan FFA
- Pine Plains FFA
- Pioneer FFA
- Pioneer Jr. FFA
- Remsen FFA
- Salem FFA
- Schoharie Valley FFA
- Schuyler FFA
- Sherman FFA
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- Sidney FFA Alumni
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- Southern Cayuga FFA
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- Stockbridge Valley FFA
- Stockbridge Valley FFA Alumni
- Tri Valley FFA
- Unadilla Valley FFA
- VVS FFA & Alumni
- Waterville Valley FFA

**FARM BUREAU SUPPORT**

**GAVE A COMBINED $18,700 IN SUPPORT**

- Broome Co. Farm Bureau
- Cortland Co. Farm Bureau
- Franklin Co. Farm Bureau
- Genesee Co. Farm Bureau
- Greene Co. Farm Bureau
- Jefferson Co. Farm Bureau
- Lewis Co. Farm Bureau
- Livingston Co. Farm Bureau
- Long Island Farm Bureau
- Madison Co. Farm Bureau
- New York Farm Bureau
- Oneida Co. Farm Bureau
- Orleans Co. Farm Bureau
- Orillons Co. Farm Bureau
- Tompkins Co. Farm Bureau
- Washington Co. Farm Bureau
- Wyoming Co. Farm Bureau

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Last Supper Success

On August 10th alumni and supporters attended a celebration at Oswegatchie to honor the replacement of the Widrick dining hall. Proceeds from the event benefited the Capital Campaign. In total $75,000 was raised from attendee fees and an auction.

Capital Campaign

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Thanks to your support, the dining hall project has begun! September was a month of site preparations. October’s focus has been the foundation. We are looking forward to November which will bring the shell of the structure and allow work to continue inside all winter. We will continue to share the progress your sponsorship has made achievable. Updates will be on Facebook at “Oswegatchie Educational Center (NYSFFA)”. Anticipated opening date is July 5th, 2020.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Because of your generous support we are proud to report that $1,170,000 has been raised by over 450 individuals and organizations to date. Our goal is to continue the campaign until April 26, 2020. We still have a gap of $130,000 to raise. If you have not made your pledge or donation, please know there is still a need. We will soon unveil the plan for the donor wall of recognition that will highlight those who have given $1000 or more.

Learn more: www.nysffafoundation.org

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January- Maple Conference at NYS Fairgrounds Horticulture Building

February- Bob Watson Toy Auction- “Anything but a basket challenge” for FFA chapters to help raise funds for their chapters

Regional Development Conference in Dover, New Hampshire

Alumni at Canton FFA helping out at their annual craft and rummage sale

NYS Convention- Three of our four scholarship winners were awarded on stage at the New York FFA State Convention. Scholarships made possible by money raised at the Bob Watson Memorial Toy Auction

Alumni with Josh Rusk from the National FFA Alumni and Supporters at Camp O for the teachers’ conference

Helped to sponsor the Maple Experience Mobile Trailer- This mobile unit is used by the NYS Maple Producers Association to travel across New York for demonstrations and tastings. This also includes visits to elementary schools as part of New York’s successful “Agriculture in the Classroom” program

2019 FFA National Convention- Outstanding Alumni and Supporters State Association 2019 Eastern Region Finalist

OTHER NOTEWORTHY ITEMS

The NYS FFA Alumni and Supporters worked in conjunction with the NYFFA Association to secure funding for students who are interested in attending various FFA events throughout the year. These funds were set aside with a knowledge that registration costs can be expensive and may limit FFA members from being able to attend all of the FFA activities that promote career success, personal growth and leadership development in students.

Many of our NYS FFA Alumni and Supporters chapters received grants from the National FFA Alumni and Supporters to promote their yearly activities, these chapters were: Byron-Bergen, Canton, Granville, Lowville, Madison, Mount Markham, Marathon, and Unadilla Valley.

Check out the newly redesigned New York FFA Alumni and Supporters site at www.nysffaalumni.org to learn more about all of the opportunities offered by the NYFFA Alumni and Supporters!