



2009 Sponsor & Endowment Opportunities

Listed below are the major areas for which the Pennsylvania FFA Foundation seeks support through sponsorships and endowments. If you have questions or would like to discuss any of these opportunities, please contact Kerry Richards at 814-880-0013.

Annual Sponsorship Opportunities

The costs listed with specific sponsorship opportunities indicate the amount that is needed to provide support for that activity on an annual basis. The entire amount of the sponsorship listed will be provided to the team or individual that received the award. No administrative costs are deducted from the sponsorship.

Endowment Sponsorship Opportunities

An endowment investment represents the amount needed to permanently provide support for a specific activity. The principal of the endowment contribution will never be spent, but rather invested and a maximum of five percent of the interest generated will be withdrawn on an annual basis to support the endowed activity. In the event that greater than five percent interest is earned, the additional interest will be reinvested as part of the endowment. No administrative costs will be deducted from the sponsorship.

Career Development Events

The purpose of Career Development Events (CDE's) is to assist students developing skills in a potential career area. CDE's also allow members the opportunity to test their skills in a competitive format against other students.

National Career Development Team Sponsorship: \$1,000

National Career Development Team Endowment: \$25,000

Sponsors a four-member team to compete at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN

- Agriculture Business Management – *Sponsored by AgChoice Farm Credit*
- Agriculture Issues
- Agriculture Mechanics
- Agricultural Sales
- Agronomy
- Dairy Cattle Evaluation
- Dairy Foods
- Environmental Natural Resources
- Floriculture
- Food Science
- Forestry
- Horse Evaluation
- Land Judging
- Livestock Evaluation – *Sponsored by Pennsylvania Pork Council*
- Meats Evaluation
- Nursery Landscape
- Poultry – *Sponsored by PennAg Poultry Council*

Regional Career Development Team Sponsorship: \$450**Regional Career Development Team Endowment: \$15,000**

Sponsors a four-member team to compete at the Big E in Springfield, MA

- Agriculture Business Management
- Agriculture Mechanics
- Agronomy
- Dairy Cattle Evaluation
- Dairy Foods
- Environmental Natural Resources
- Floriculture
- Forestry
- Horse Evaluation
- Livestock Evaluation – *Sponsored by Fred DelGrosso: DelGrosso Foods*
- Nursery Landscape
- Poultry – *Sponsored by PennAg Poultry Council*

First Place Career Development Event Individual Sponsorship: \$100**First Place Career Development Event Individual Endowment: \$2,000**

Awarded to the top place finisher in each of following Career Development Events:

- Agriculture Business Management Agriculture Issues
- Agriculture Mechanics
- Agronomy
- Conservation Public Speaking – *Sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Rick Richards*
- Dairy Cattle Evaluation
- Dairy Foods
- Floriculture
- Food Science
- Forestry
- Horse Evaluation
- Land Judging
- Livestock Evaluation Meats Evaluation
- Nursery Landscape
- Poultry
- Small Gas Engines

National Public Speaking Sponsorship: \$250**National Public Speaking Endowment: \$5,000**

- Senior Prepared - *Sponsored by Samuel E. Hayes, Jr.*
- FFA Creed
- Extemporaneous

Proficiency Award Areas

The Pennsylvania FFA has diverse proficiency areas designed to reward students for outstanding Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) programs. An SAE project allows students to apply the skills they learned in the agriculture classroom to a real life situation.

Leadership Conferences

Pennsylvania FFA offers leadership conferences for its members focused around helping young people develop essential leadership skills that can be applied and utilized throughout a lifetime.

State FFA Officer Program

The State Officers are a team of eleven FFA members who dedicate a year of service to Pennsylvania FFA members. As an officer, they will travel throughout Pennsylvania promoting FFA and agriculture. Additionally, they will develop and present leadership conferences, facilitate Career Development Events, and give workshops to FFA chapters throughout the state.

Special Events

The Pennsylvania FFA offers various special events to its members. These include international travel opportunities, community service initiatives, and scholarships.

State FFA Convention

Each June, thousands of FFA members, advisors, and guests gather at Penn State University for the State FFA Convention. This event is an opportunity to recognize FFA members for their accomplishments throughout the previous year. Additionally, members have the opportunity to attend leadership workshops, hear from motivational speakers, and explore career opportunities in the Trade Show.