Ag Science 1 · Unit 4 · Level 2 (modified)

FFA & Ag Careers



TODAY'S PLAN

- 🌱 What FFA is
- ⭕ 3-circle model
- 🎨 Colors, motto, emblem
- 🏆 CDEs + LDEs
- 🧭 Ag careers

Words to Know

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FFA

The National FFA Organization: a student group for agriculture classes.



National Blue

FFA color from the blue field of the U.S. flag.



Corn Gold

FFA color from golden fields of ripe corn.



Official Dress

Blue FFA jacket, white collared shirt, FFA tie or scarf, black pants or skirt.

Words to Know

More Words to Know



📜 **Creed**: The FFA Creed: 5 paragraphs that start with “I believe.”

🏆 **CDE**: Career Development Event: a contest that tests job skills, like livestock judging.

🎤 **LDE**: Leadership Development Event: a contest like public speaking or a job interview.

🥇 **Greenhand**: The first chapter FFA degree for new members.

Learn

What Does FFA Stand For?

🎓 Started in **1928** as Future Farmers of America.

🔁 Name **changed** in 1988 to the **National FFA Organization**.

🤝 FFA is **not just for farmers**.



🃏 Check 1 of 4



Why did FFA change its name in 1988?

Hold up 1, 2, or 3:

1️⃣ Farmers left the club

2️⃣ Agriculture has many kinds of jobs

3️⃣ It became a sports club

✅ Answer · Card 1 of 4



Agriculture has many kinds of jobs

The new name shows the growing diversity of agriculture.

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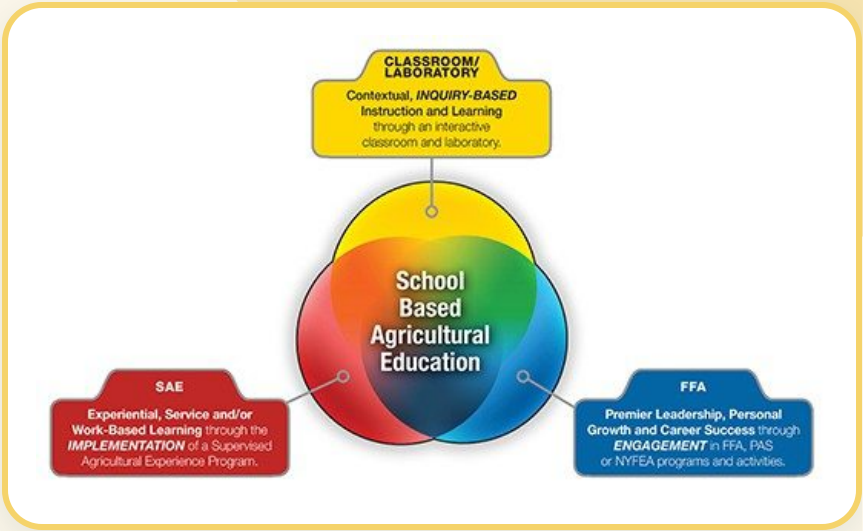
The 3-Circle Model

📚 **Classroom** (ag class)

🛠️ **SAE** (your hands-on ag project)

🌱 **FFA** (leadership and contests)

🙋 **You** are in the middle!



Learn

What Can FFA Do for My Career?



🩺 Veterinarian · 🔬 Scientist · 🌳 Landscape design

🔧 Welder · 🐴 Farrier · 👩‍🏫 Ag teacher

💼 Small business owner and many more

Learn

Colors, Mission, Motto



🔵 **National Blue** + 🌽 **Corn Gold**

🎯 Mission: premier leadership, personal growth, **career** success.

📖 Motto: Learning to **Do**, Doing to **Learn**, Earning to **Live**, Living to **Serve**.

🃏 Check 2 of 4



What are the FFA colors?

Hold up 1, 2, or 3:

1️⃣ Red and Green

2️⃣ Black and Orange

3️⃣ National Blue and Corn Gold

✅ Answer · Card 2 of 4



National Blue and Corn Gold

Blue from the U.S. flag; gold from ripe corn.

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Official Dress

- 🥼 Blue FFA **jacket**, zipped
- 👔 White collared shirt + FFA tie or scarf
- 👖 Black pants or skirt, black shoes



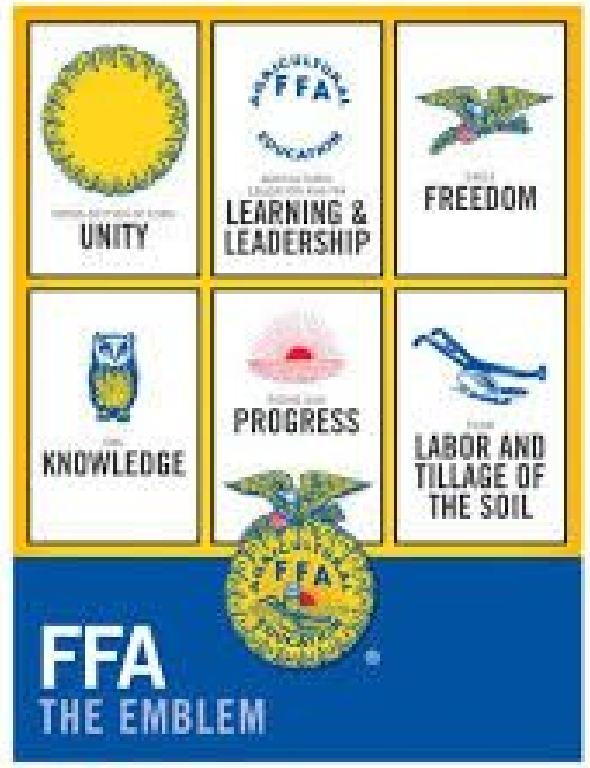
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The FFA Emblem: 6 Parts

🌽 **Corn**: unity · 🌅 **Rising sun**: progress

🪓 **Plow**: hard work · 🦅 **Eagle**: freedom

🦉 **Owl**: wisdom · 🔤 **Words**: FFA + Agricultural Education



🃏 Check 3 of 4



Which emblem part stands for wisdom?

Hold up 1, 2, or 3:

1️⃣ Owl

2️⃣ Plow

3️⃣ Rising sun

✅ Answer · Card 3 of 4



Owl

The owl stands for wisdom and knowledge.

Learn

Degrees and the Creed



🏅 **Greenhand** is the first chapter degree.

📜 To earn it: learn the **Creed**, mission, motto, colors, and emblem.

📈 Degrees: Discovery → Greenhand → Chapter → State → American.

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CDEs and LDEs



🏆 **CDE** = Career Development Event: livestock, dairy, horse, vet science, ag mechanics.

🎤 **LDE** = Leadership Development Event: public speaking, job interview, parliamentary procedure.

🎡 Members can show animals at the fair.

🃏 Check 4 of 4



A public speaking contest is a…

Hold up 1, 2, or 3:

1️⃣ CDE (career)

2️⃣ SAE (project)

3️⃣ LDE (leadership)

✅ Answer · Card 4 of 4



LDE (leadership)

Speaking and interviews are leadership events.

Learn

Find Your Ag Career



💻 The **Ag Explorer Career Finder** asks about what you like.

📋 It gives you **4** job ideas.

🤔 Do the results fit you?

Wrap-Up

Recap



3 circles

class + SAE + FFA



Blue + Gold

colors, motto, mission



Emblem

corn, sun, plow, eagle, owl, words

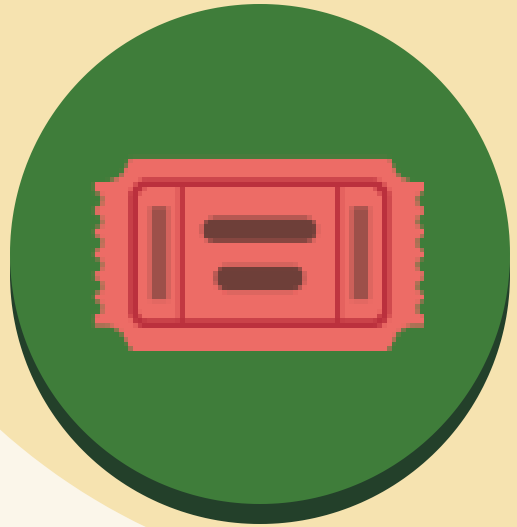


CDE + LDE

career and leadership contests

Wrap-Up

Exit Ticket



1️⃣ Name the 3 circles.

2️⃣ Say the FFA motto.

3️⃣ Name one ag career you might like and why.