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TO: FFA Chapter Advisors
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SUBJECT: **2019 GREENHAND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES**

Once again, we are excited to deliver our highly successful Greenhand Leadership Conferences (GLC) for our first-year members. The programs and leadership development team for California FFA has been working diligently to provide an upbeat, engaging and energized conference experience to emerge our students in to the opportunities that wait for each of them in Agricultural Education.

Greenhand Leadership Conference

This conference introduces students to the benefits and opportunities in Agricultural Education, including SAE and FFA. This conference is the “hook-line-and-sinker” to get students to buy into Agricultural Education throughout their four years in high school.

Who: Freshmen

When: 31 Conferences in Aug., Sept., and Oct.

What: Each student will:

- Define Agricultural Education, it's three ring model (Classroom & Laboratory, Supervised Agricultural Experience [SAE] and the National FFA Organization) and the three "Rs" model (Rigorous Instruction, Relevant Experiences and Relationships)
- Explore the Six Benefits of Agricultural Education through hands on team challenges: Money, Experience, Leadership, Competition, Travel and Personal Growth
- Discover the Six Opportunities in Agricultural Education, which provide the Six Benefits: Hands-On Instruction, Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE), Officers and Committees, Career Development Events (CDE), Conventions and Conferences
- Learn more about California FFA's leadership and personal growth conferences: GLC, MFE, ALA, SLE and WLC
- Develop a personal plan of action utilizing SMART goals that address the following areas: Lead (FFA), Learn (Classroom), Earn (SAE), and Live (Personal Life)

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Changes for 2019:

The Ferndale conference will be run regionally. Lemoore will have 3 days of conference instead of 4 due to canceling a conference last year. The Paso Robles conferences that have typically taken place at the Mid-State fairgrounds will be split between the Mid-State fairgrounds and the Salinas Valley fairgrounds in King City. The Southern GLC sites were rearranged throughout the week; El Capitan will take place Tuesday, Calipatria on Wednesday and Menifee-Heritage on Thursday and Friday.

Registration:

Conferences for 2019 will be hosted at 13 locations throughout California (the list of sites and dates is included in this packet).

Registration opens July 1, 2019. Cost is \$35 per student participant and \$10 per Advisor. Send payment to: California FFA, Attn: GLC Registration, PO Box 460, Galt, CA 95632.

A maximum of 180 seats will be available at each location (this may vary depending on the site capacity). To be certain you secure the number of seats you need, be sure to complete the registration materials and mail payment immediately. Each conference will begin promptly at 8:00 am and conclude at 2:45 pm. All conferences will include lunch.

ALL REGISTRATIONS WILL BE HANDLED ON A FIRST-COME BASIS.

One week prior to your registered conference you will receive an email with additional instructions. Just like last year, we will not be print and handing out certificates to GLC participants. The certificates will be available on calaged.org/App-Center under Leadership Conference Certificates.

Teacher Expectations:

When you arrive you will receive shirts, based on a generic size chart. You may exchange sizes as long as time permits. Distribute colored wrist bands evenly among your chapter. You do not need to individually chose which student gets each color, they will be mixed up again later; we just ask that we don't have uneven groups.

Plan to **arrive between 7:15 to 7:45 am**. GLC will start at exactly 8:00 am in order to keep schedule and will end no later than 2:45 pm. If schools arrive late, students will enter the conference mid-session, only when instructed to do so by a facilitator.

We will have a space dedicated for Advisors to work during the day and meet while supervising students. Teachers will be expected to supervise students and be present with them when they eat lunch outside and be available on site in the event of an emergency and for student management. A staff member/chaperone must always be present on site and in supervision while students are in participation at an out-of-school sponsored event. At some locations, staff will have informal meetings coordinated by their regional supervisors or CATA leadership.

Liability Waiver - California FFA is not directly responsible for students, advisors or chaperones attending events sanctioned by the state association. Local school districts and designated advisors/chaperones are responsible for the oversight and management of themselves and their students. Local management also includes securing proper insurance and medical waivers as designated by a chapter's local school board.

As a recommendation of the Advisory Committee we will also have a "Teacher Expectation Contract" that teachers will receive when checking in on site. This will highlight the expectations from State Staff of teachers while at the conference and will be addressed, signed and collected during the teacher meeting after the opening session of the conference.

GREENHAND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

2019 Conference Dates and Locations

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SITE ADDRESS</u>
Aug. 20 th – 23 rd	Modesto, MJC Ag Pavilion, Brink and Shoemake, Modesto, CA 95358
Sept. 4 th – 5 th	Bakersfield, Kern Ag Pavilion, 3300 East Belle Terrace, Bakersfield, CA 93307
Sept 10 th	Lakeside, El Capitan HS, 10410 Ashwood Street Lakeside, CA 92040
Sept. 10 th – 11 th	Fresno, CSU Fresno, Resident Dining Hall, Fresno, CA 9371
Sept 11 th	Calipatria, Calipatria HS 601 West Main St, Calipatria, CA 92233
Sept. 12 th – 13 th	Menifee, Heritage HS, 26000 Briggs Road, Menifee, CA 92585
Sept. 18 th – 20 th	Lemoore, West Hills College Lemoore, 555 College Ave. Lemoore, CA 93245
Sept. 24 th	<i>Fallon, Nevada -- Nevada FFA Association</i>
Sept. 24 th – 26 th	Colusa, Colusa County Fairgrounds, 1303 10 th Street (Hwy 20), Colusa, CA 95932
Sept. 24 th – 25 th	Paso Robles, Midstate Fairgrounds, 2198 Riverside Avenue, Paso Robles, CA 93446
Sept. 25 th	Petaluma, Penngrove Elementary School, 365 Adobe Road, Penngrove, CA 94951
Sept. 26 th – 27 th	King City, Salinas Valley Fairgrounds, 625 Division St. King City, CA 93930
Oct. 1 st – 2 nd	Redding, Foothill Palo Cedro HS, 9733 Deschutes Rd, Palo Cedro, CA 96073
Oct. 1 st – 4 th	Lodi, Lodi HS, 3 S Pacific Ave, Lodi, CA 95242

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