

Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Perdue

Race Demographics

Gender Split

55% MALE 45% FEMALE

93% reporting

OURS IS A DIVERSE, FUTURE-ORIENTED AND EVER-GROWING MEMBERSHIP.

MEMBERSHIP

2015	2016	2017
629,327	649,355	653,359

ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP

2015	2016	2017
59,144	225,891	344,239

DID YOU KNOW?

The majority of U.S. agriculture companies employ FFA Alumni today.

FFA has seen a 31 percent increase in membership in the past decade, gaining an average of more than 15,000 members annually.

FFA alumni impacted 16,220 FFA members with

\$417,328

toward leadership development at the local, state and national levels.

FFA is in all 50 States

GCHS FFA currently has 96 members

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7 Reasons to Give Back to FFA

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On Feb. 19, the National FFA Foundation celebrates Give FFA Day to encourage everyone to support the needs of agricultural education students throughout the year. While there are numerous reasons you should make a donation and help spread the word, here are seven ways your support will have an immediate impact.

1. 25% of the agriculture workforce is over 55 years of age.

Nearly a quarter of the agriculture workforce is expected to retire in the next five years, yet very few job seekers are entering the field. Donations to the National FFA Foundation support the education of students starting as early as 12 years old to learn about opportunities available in the agricultural industry.

2. 81% of agricultural jobs require more than a high school degree.

Agricultural education covers topics from agronomy to veterinary medicine. With four out of five careers in agriculture requiring

ing some form of post-secondary education, supporters of the National FFA Organization can contribute to scholarship opportunities and collegiate FFA programs in every state and territory for students pursuing careers in agriculture.

3. Less than 3% of college students pursue a career in agriculture.

This fall, 19 million students were projected to enroll in U.S. colleges and universities. However, fewer than 500,000 of those students are expected to pursue a career in agriculture. Help students develop a passion for these careers early by supporting grants for developing robust supervised agricultural experiences.

4. 669,989 FFA members learn the importance of agriculture.

Of those members, 212,829 students are impacted at the local level through participation in the National Chap-

ter Award program, 25,473 members attend a national leadership conference, and 35,494 students compete in state leadership development events. That's a lot of ways to positively impact the future of agriculture.

5. For every \$1 in service project grants, the community sees an ROI of \$1,234.

Community development is a key pillar in an FFA chapter's program of activities. In 2017, FFA members volunteered 595,032 hours for a total economic impact of \$14,364,072. Support your community by supporting your local chapter and state FFA associations. Online donations can be

directed to a specific program or state.

6. Proficiency areas and leadership development events prepare FFA members for more than 255 unique ag careers.

The world will need to feed more than 10 billion people over the next 31 harvest seasons. That will require plenty of passionate and talented leaders in a variety of careers around the globe. Give those leaders a leg up in their careers by supporting the FFA Leadership Fund.

7. Nearly 100% of alumni and supporters credit their leadership skills to FFA.

More than 400,000 alumni and supporters can share their favorite memories in the blue corduroy jacket. Nearly all of those achieved premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Give back through the Give the Gift of Blue program for future FFA alumni members.

Learn more and make your donation today at FFA.org/Give-FFA-Day.

FFA Alumni Jerry Osborne extends best wishes and good luck to GCHS FFA during national FFA week.

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LEADING THE WAY

Modern farming is about more than just planting seeds. It encompasses many areas of business, science and technology, from marketing to biology to mechanics. That's why we're proud to salute the students who have chosen farming as their career path. FFA, you're headed for success.

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