State FFA Officer Candidate Exam – 2015

DIRECTIONS
Write your name and chapter on the test AND the answer sheet provided. Please indicate the MOST correct answer for each question by marking the corresponding letter on the answer sheet. Please feel free to write on the test. At the conclusion of the test, turn in your answer sheet and test to the proctor.

1. An amendment to the Kansas FFA Constitution requires ____ of the voting delegates to approve the motion.
   a. 1/2          c. 2/3
   b. 3/4          d. all

2. The first order of business in a typical FFA meeting is:
   a. reading and approval of the minutes          c. reports of officers
   b. opening ceremonies          d. new business

3. Two taps of the gavel signify:
   a. all stand          c. adjournment
   b. motion passed      d. call the meeting to order

4. A motion to delay voting on a motion is:
   a. refer to a committee          c. suspend the rules
   b. take from the table          d. previous question

5. The officer in charge of overseeing the Program of Activities is the:
   a. president          c. secretary
   b. vice-president      d. reporter

6. The author of the FFA Creed, E. M. Tiffany, is from what Kansas town?
   a. Topeka          c. Girard
   b. Hill City      d. Lyndon

7. Each of the 3 divisions of the Program of Activities has ____ quality standards.
8. Each year the National FFA offers state officers an opportunity to travel abroad and visit foreign countries. This program is known as:

   a. ILSSO  
   b. WLC  
   c. NLCSO  
   d. SCCL

9. The ________________ degree is earned by middle school FFA members.

   a. Discovery Degree  
   b. Junior Greenhand Degree  
   c. State Degree  
   d. Greenhand Degree

10. State Degree requirements include being a continuous FFA member for 36 months.

    a. true  
    b. false

11. American Degree recipients must have participated in at least ___ hours of community service in three different activities.

    a. 30  
    b. 40  
    c. 50  
    d. 60

12. Supervised Agricultural Experience is the name Agricultural Education uses for this type of learning.

    a. experiential learning  
    b. cooperative learning  
    c. inquiry-based learning  
    d. multi-discipline learning

13. The National FFA Organization Headquarters is located in:

    a. Alexandria, VA  
    b. Indianapolis, IN  
    c. Washington, D.C.  
    d. Manhattan, KS

14. The SAE Grant program is designed to provide financial support to FFA members who wish to initiate or improve their SAE program. How much money is awarded for each grant?

    a. $500  
    b. $1,000  
    c. $1,500  
    d. $2,000

15. The Official FFA Manual defines Premier Leadership as:
a. the positive evolution of the whole person  
b. Continuously demonstrating those qualities, attributes and skills necessary to succeed in, or further prepare for, a chosen profession while effectively contributing to society  
c. influence  
d. effective application of reasoning

16. The coordinating leadership organization for shaping and strengthening school-based agricultural education at all levels in the United States is called:

a. The National Council for Agricultural Education  
b. the National Association of Agricultural Educators  
c. the National Association of Supervisors of Agricultural Education  
d. the American Association of Agricultural Educators

17. Which state had the original Future Farmers club that the FFA was modeled after?

a. Iowa  
c. Kansas  
d. Virginia  
d. Kentucky

18. The current Kansas FFA State Advisor is:

a. Dr. Steve Harbstreit  
c. Dr. Steve Brown  
b. Kurt Dillon  
d. Mary Kane

19. The Kansas Agricultural Education office is located in what department?

a. Kansas Department of Agriculture  
c. Kansas State University  
b. Kansas Department of Labor  
d. Kansas State Department of Education

20. The number of FFA chapters in Kansas for 2014-15 school year is:

a. 169  
c. 172  
b. 176  
d. 184

21. The current Kansas FFA Foundation Executive Director is:

a. Kerry Wefald  
c. Jackie McClaskey  
b. Mary Kane  
d. Jodi Mason

22. Who is the current U. S. Secretary of Agriculture?

a. Tom Vilsack  
c. Jackie McClaskey  

b. Arne Duncan
d. Dale Rodman

23. The newly appointed Kansas Commissioner of Education is:
   a. Dr. Andy Tompkins
c. Dr. Blake Flanders
b. Dr. Randy Watson
d. Dr. Diane DeBacker

24. The President of the Kansas FFA Alumni Association is:
   a. Matt Baxter
c. Jodi Mason
b. Mary Kane
d. Dan Bliss

25. Kansas belongs in the ______________ Region of the National FFA Association.
   a. Eastern
c. Southern
b. Central
d. Western

26. Who is the current president of the Kansas Association of Agricultural Educators?
   a. Jim Morgan
c. Bill Johnston
b. Russell Plaschka
d. Danny Rice

27. Which degree is often presented to non-FFA members /non-agriculture teachers who have rendered outstanding service to the Agricultural Education and the FFA?
   a. Honorary American FFA Degree
c. Outstanding Service Degree
b. Honorary American Degree
d. VIP Degree

28. “New Visions” is the official newsletter of what organization?
   a. National Association of Agricultural Educators
b. The National Postsecondary Agriculture Students Organization
c. The Kansas FFA Association
d. The National FFA Alumni Association

29. This year’s Kansas FFA Service Project is to collect pop tabs. Where do the proceeds go?
   a. Kansas Food Bank
c. Kansas Blood Bank
b. Manhattan Homeless Shelter
d. Kansas FFA Scholarship Fund

30. Kansas Agricultural Education is part of the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Career Cluster. How many agriculture pathways are available to Kansas high schools?
   a. 6
c. 8
31. Agriculture is the largest economic driver in Kansas. What percent of the Kansas economy does agriculture account for?

a. 26%  

b. 37%  

c. 47%  

d. 61%

32. The average age of a farmer in Kansas is:

a. 37  

b. 49  

c. 58  

d. 63

33. Kansas was ranked _____ nationally in wheat production in 2014.

a. 1st  

b. 2nd  

c. 3rd  

d. 4th

34. Kansas farmers produce almost half of the United States total production of this crop.

a. grain sorghum  

b. potatoes  

c. soybeans  

d. wheat

35. One of the biggest controversies in the agriculture industry today centers around the use of GMO’s. GMO stands for:

a. Growth Modified Organisms  

b. Genetically Modified Organisms  

c. Genetically Made Organisms  

d. Genitally Modified Organics

36. The designation of this species as threatened in Kansas and surrounding states has created a lot of national news and could have an impact on farming and ranching practices.

a. Long-eared Bat  

b. Zebra Mussell  

c. Red-footed Salamander  

d. Lesser Prairie-Chicken

37. Student enrollment in agriculture programs at Land-grant universities has increased _____ nationally since 2004.

a. 14%  

b. 33%  

c. 27%  

d. 48%
38. According to the National FFA website, 47% of FFA members are female.
   a. true  
b. false

39. In 2015, the National FFA awarded more than $_____ million in scholarships to FFA members.
   a. 1.5  
b. 2.7  
c. 3.4  
d. 4.6

40. In what year was a federal charter granted to the National FFA Organization?
   a. 1914  
b. 1928  
c. 1950  
d. 1963

41. FFA members who cannot afford an official jacket can apply to receive on through this program.
   a. Give the Gift of Blue  
b. FFA Jacket Program  
c. Blue Jacket, Gold Standards  
d. Dream Big Foundation

42. The monthly e-newsletter for the National FFA Organization is called:
   a. FFA New Horizons  
b. Monday Morning Monitor  
c. FFA Pulse  
d. Making A Difference

43. What major grocery store chain did the Kansas Department of Agriculture and Kansas FFA partner with for National Agriculture Month food drives called Neighbor-to-Neighbor?
   a. Dillon’s  
b. Safeway  
c. Hy-Vee  
d. Heartland Foods

44. Each US farmer feeds _____ people.
   a. 125  
b. 145  
c. 139  
d. 154

45. This federal agency oversees the School Lunch Program nationally.
   a. US Department of Human Services  
b. US Department of Agriculture  
c. US Department of Education  
d. US Department of Welfare
46. The Kansas Department of Agriculture and the Kansas State Department of Education worked jointly to provide eight $12,500.00 grants to high schools with agricultural education departments in 2014. What was the purpose of these grants?

a. Environmental Issues  
   b. Water Resources and Planning  
   c. Farm-to-School  
   d. Agricultural Entrepreneurship

47. What percent of agriculture teachers in Kansas have 10 years or less experience in the classroom?

a. 30%  
   b. 40%  
   c. 50%  
   d. 60%

48. According to the Kansas FFA website, what was Kansas FFA membership for the 2013-14 school year?

a. 8,894  
   b. 8,912  
   c. 9,046  
   d. 9,124

49. Kansas has added 16 new agricultural education programs statewide since 2012.

a. true  
   b. false

50. According to the USDA, Kansas ranks 4th nationally in the production of summer potatoes.

a. true  
   b. false

51. Kansas has over 28,500,000 acres of crop land. How does this rank nationally?

a. 1st  
   b. 2nd  
   c. 3rd  
   d. 4th

52. List the four types of FFA membership available to individuals.

a. active  
   b. collegiate  
   c. alumni  
   d. honorary
53. Write the FFA Motto.

Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve

54. The highest award presented to an organization, agency, business or other group by the Kansas FFA Association is the:

   a. Distinguished Service Award  
   b. VIP Award  
   c. Honorary State Degree  
   d. Triple Crown Award