

2017 Timeline of the State FFA Officer Candidate Process

Date/Deadline	Action and Description
February 1	The Intent to Run form is posted on the Kansas FFA Association website, www.ksffa.org/socinfo.php , and the nominating committee chair makes a public call to FFA Chapters for potential candidates to complete the form.
February 15	All forms are available for download on the Kansas FFA Association website. This includes the application for state office. In addition to the application itself, a commitment form, convention conflict form, media contact form, personal information form, and medical information form are included. Specific dates for the candidate process and the revised candidate handbook will also be posted.
March 1	Any FFA member who is eligible for candidacy and interested in running for state office submits an Intent to Run form to the state FFA office.
March 5	The nominating committee chair develops a contact list of all candidates and their advisors, and sends a welcome email providing initial information. Throughout the selection process, candidates should check email a minimum of twice per week for information from the nominating committee chair.
March 15	All candidates receive instructions for acquiring evaluations via email.
March 18 (Junction City)	An initial growth interview, held at Leader Lab in mid-to-late March, serves as the official start to the state officer selection process. The nominating committee chair will also hold an all-candidate meeting.
April 15	All candidates' application and forms are due to both the state FFA office in hard copy and to the nominating committee chair (nominatingcommitteechair@gmail.com) in electronic form. This includes the application, commitment form, convention conflict form, media contact form, personal information form, and medical information form. In addition, all candidates' evaluation forms must be submitted electronically.
April 30 (11 a.m – 3 p.m.), Kansas Department of Agriculture, Manhattan	A one day state FFA officer candidate "boot camp" will be held in Manhattan in late April or early May. This will include an all-candidate meeting, facilitation training, delegate committee topic briefing, candidate photos, and second growth experience including multiple practice activities, discussion of convention schedule and responsibilities. Candidates will receive delegate facilitation activity assignment and partners and delegate subcommittee topics and co-chairs. Advisors are welcome and encouraged to attend.

May 22	Candidates receive a <u>final convention schedule</u> . This includes candidate check-in time, a schedule of candidate activities, responsibilities and expectations of candidates.
Monday, May 29, 2:00 p.m., Kansas Department of Agriculture	All candidates arrive in Manhattan, and the state officer selection process at convention officially begins. Day will depend on number of candidates. Convention is held during the week of Memorial Day.
Wednesday afternoon, May 31, K-State Student Union, Manhattan	Delegate business meeting, candidate facilitations and delegate committees.
Wednesday evening, May 31, Manhattan	The nominating committee deliberates and completes the ballot.
Thursday afternoon, June 1, K-State Alumni Center	Meet the Candidates session with the delegates.
Friday, June 2, McCain Auditorium	The report of the nominating committee and the final election takes place at the fifth session. The announcement of election results and installation of the new state officers is held during the sixth session. The newly elected state officers attend the Blue and Gold Celebration Friday evening. Following the Blue and Gold Celebration, the new team remains in Manhattan to begin their year of service. Candidates should pack at least one week of casual and business casual clothing in case of election.