# 2023

## **Summer Conference**

Professional Development for Iowa Agricultural Educators

In Partnership with the Iowa Association of Agricultural Educators

# Maximize Your Potential

June 26 - 28 Iowa FFA Enrichment Center Ankeny, IA

## Sunday, June 25th

3:00	Mentor Committee Prep Room	108/109
3:30 - 4:00	New Teacher Workshop Registration	Atrium
4:00 - 6:00	New Teacher Workshop	107
4:00	IAAE Board Meeting	114/115
6:00	Dinner (For IAAE Board, Iowa FFA Association Board Members and invited guests only.)	Various
6:30	FFA Association Board Meeting (Orientation at 6:00)	112/113

#### Monday, June 26th (Business Casual) 7:45 - 10:00 Registration Hallway 8:30 - 9:30 Mentor/Mentee Breakfast & Workshop 107 • \*\*For those involved in Mentor/Mentee program\*\* 9:30 - 10:00 Networking Social Please plan to arrive by 9:30 am for the Conference. 106/107 10:00 - 11:00 Keynote Speaker • Deane Jorgenson Ph.D - Syngenta **IAAE First Business Session** 106/107 11:00 - 11:30 11:30 - 12:30 106/107 Lunch • Reflection by SC Outstanding Young Member: Heidi Mandt - Des Moines Central Campus • Recognize 1, 2, 5, & 10 Year Tenure Iowa FFA Association Update

• NAAE Region III Update - Shari Graffunder

## 1:00 - 5:00 Workshop Rotations (Section A)

Various

• Groups preassigned during registration

		<u>Blue</u>	<u>Red</u>	<u>Yellow</u>	<u>Green</u>
1:00 - 1:45	Rotation #1	1A	2A	3A	4A
2:00 - 2:45	Rotation #2	2A	3A	4A	1A
	BREAK - Refre	shments			
3:15 - 4:00	Rotation #3	3A	4A	1A	2A
4:15 - 5:00	Rotation #4	4A	1A	2A	3A

\*\*Post-Secondary Colleague: please find the pink sheet in your registration materials for your rotation\*\*

Workshop 1A	Workshop 2A	Workshop 3A-1	Workshop 4A
New Farmers of	DE/Insurance 108/109	Degrees 112/113	Unconscious Bias: Awareness and
America 106/107		Workshop 3A-2	Action 114/115
		Post Secondary 209	

6:15

#### Supper

106/107

- Reflection by SE Outstanding Young Member: Ashlynn Lingle - Ottumwa High School
- Recognize New Teachers
- Trivia Night Event
  - THEME: SUMMER VACATION
  - @ Enrichment Center
  - Come dressed in your summer attire or vacation attire

	Teams Requirements	The Game	Sign-U	n
	6-8 Members	: 5 Rounds	: Use QR Code to sig	
CONFERENCE	1 w/ O-2 years of teaching	12 Questions	early or up until T	rivia starts.
Trivia	1 w/ 10+ years of teaching	Mostly General Trivia	Can also use	
Summer Vacation	2+ districts represented	No cell phones	QR to be placed	SON ME
Theme	Team Name & Captain	1 mulligan per round	on a team	

<b>Tuesday, June 27th</b> (Business Casual)				
7:30 - 9:00	Registration	Hallway		
8:00 - 9:00	<ul> <li>Agri-Business Breakfast</li> <li>Reflection by SW Outstanding Young Member: Skie Campbell - ACGC High School</li> <li>National FFA Update</li> <li>James Henderson <ul> <li>Courtesy of: Iowa Institute of Cooperative</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	106/107		
9:00 - 12:00	Trade Show	Atrium		
9:00 - 9:50	<ul> <li>District Breakouts</li> <li>(District VP will complete agenda items from Virtual Meetings held earlier)</li> <li>Southeast</li> <li>South Central</li> <li>Southwest</li> </ul>	108/109 112/113 114/115		
10:00 - 10:50	District Breakouts (District VP will complete agenda items from Virtual Meetings held earlier) • Northeast • North Central • Northwest	108/109 112/113 114/115		
11:00 - 11:50	Workshop Rotations (Section B) <ul> <li>This section is only offered for one rotation</li> </ul>	Various		

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Maximize Career Development Events				
Workshop 1B	Workshop 2B	Workshop 3B	Workshop 4B	Workshop 5B
Floriculture 106/107	Nursery/ Landscape 108/109	Marketing Plan 112/113	Poultry Evaluation 114/115	Delivering Consistent Dual Credit Options 208/209

12:00

Lunch

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- Reflection by NW Outstanding Young Member: Matthew Schroeder - Estherville High School
- Mike Gaul ISU Ag Career Services
- Sandra Miller Iowa ACTE Executive Director
- Recognize 15, 20, 30, & 30+ Year Tenure
- Iowa FFA Foundation Report

1:30 - 2:30 Post Secondary Program Showcase Atrium Programs that have already been set up in the atrium, please stay set up there. If you are joining us just for the showcase please plan to arrive during lunch to set up in the atrium.

Various

2:40 - 3:35 Rotation #1 (Section C) BREAK - Refreshments

3:55 - 4:50 Rotation #2 (Section C)

Workshop 1C	Workshop 2C	Workshop 3C	Workshop 4C	Workshop 5C
Maximize Self Care 106	Maximize Student Engagement 108/109	Maximize PLC 112/113	Watersheds Case Studies 114/115	Destination Pork 208/209

6:00 - 6:30	<ul><li>Pre-Banquet Reception</li><li>Sponsored by Four Seasons</li></ul>	Atrium
6:30	<ul><li>District &amp; Post-Secondary Group Photos</li><li>Please wait until 7 PM to find a seat in 106/107</li></ul>	Atrium
7:00 - 9:00	<ul> <li>Iowa Agricultural Education Banquet</li> <li>Sponsored by Van Wall</li> <li>Dress: Business Professional</li> <li>Reflection by NC Outstanding Young Member: Katelyn Zimmerman - Roland Story High School</li> <li>IAAE Awards</li> <li>25 Year Clock Presentations Sponsored by Sonny Deke</li> </ul>	106/107

• Retiree Recognition

Wednesday, June 28th (Casual Friday)				
7:30	Light Breakfast • Announcements - Ben Booth	106/107		
8:00 - 8:50	<ul> <li>IAAE Committee Meetings</li> <li>Policy</li> <li>Membership Services</li> <li>Teacher Recruitment and Retention</li> <li>Administrative</li> <li>Professional Development</li> <li>Past Presidents</li> </ul>	106/107 112/113 108/109 106/107 114/115 106/107		
9:00 - 9:50 10:00 - 10:50	Rotation #1 (Section D) Rotation #2 (Section D)	Various		

Workshop 1D	Workshop 2D	Workshop 3D	Workshop 4D	Workshop 5D
Maximize Classroom Safety 106/107	Maximize Chapter Management 108/109	Maximize Efficiency 112/113	Maximize Accommodations 114/115	Maximizing Time with Students 208/209

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11:00 - 12:00 IAAE Closing Session

12:00 Lunch

# Post Conference Options

1:00 - 4:00	USDA Grant Co-Hort #3	208/209
1:00 - 3:00	ISU Meats Science Workshop	ISU Meats Lab
1:00 - 3:00	Turf Grass Workshop	Ames/ Ankeny

# Workshop Descriptions

	Maximize Your Learning		
1A	New Farmers of America	North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University professors and alumni co-authored "Legacy of New Farmers of America" referencing the former national youth organization which helped train generations of Black farmers and leaders. Hear from one of the co-authors, Doctor Antoine J. Alston during this workshop. You will receive a published copy of the book as well as a curriculum developed by Heidi Mandt and Kevin Anderson which was reviewed by Dr. Mike Martin and Kaley Mumma to implement NFA into your classroom.	
2A	WBL Insurance Considerations	Dale Anderson is an Account Executive and Risk Management Specialist with Jester Insurance Services in Des Moines, IA. Dale's industry experience dates back to the mid-1990's when he began his insurance career as a Claims Processor and later as a Workers Compensation Underwriter and a Producer for a truck insurance carrier. He later joined EMC Insurance Companies, where he spent nearly 20 years in various commercial underwriting, marketing and management roles. Dale spent much of his career at EMC working with some of lowa's largest trade associations and focused primarily on underwriting and risk management services for public entities. That experience with public entities carried over to his current role at Jester Insurance Services, where he currently co-manages a safety group program of over 300 public K-12 school districts and community colleges within the state of lowa. In addition, he manages similar insurance programs for private K-12 schools, counties, and telecommunications companies, as well as managing his own large book of commercial client accounts. Dale earned the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) designation in 2001, the Associate in Risk Management for Public Entities (ARM-P) certification in 2003 and the Certified Insurance Counselor (CIC) designation in 2007.	
3A-1	Degree Applications	Degree application season can be a stressful time to make sure everything is up to par. This workshop's committee will share examples of common errors to look for both big and small, making connections to agriculture and activities above the chapter level. You may not hit a home run with your next application, but at least you won't strike out.	
3A-2	Post Secondary Townhall	While secondary colleagues are reviewing degrees, post secondary members will meet to discuss questions/topics that have been developed and established a plan to make further progressions to see the advancement of Post Secondary Education in Iowa.	

4A	Unconscious Bias: Awareness and Action	During Keynote Speaker, <i>Deane Jorgenson's</i> workshop focused on unconscious biases. Unconscious bias and preconceived notions can have a negative impact on our relationships, our classrooms, and our society as a whole. It is important to be aware of our biases so that we can look at them, challenge them, and create a more inclusive and equitable environment in and out of the classroom/workplace. This workshop will focus on both educating participants about unconscious bias and providing them with tools and strategies for addressing it in their own lives.
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	Maximize Career Development Events		
1B	Floriculture	Stop and smell the roses with this workshop! Adam Crews will be leading tips and tricks to prepare your next Floriculture CDE team. Adam is currently teaching at Letts and is the chairperson of the contest.	
2B	Nursery/Landscape	Can't tell your pampas grass from a pompous? Dennis Benson from Unity Christian will let you know what the difference is. This workshop will walk you through the contest as well as some of the basics to prepare your next team.	
3B	Marketing Plan	Plan? I don't even have a Pl! After this workshop you will have an understanding of what the Marketing Plan CDE is all about and how to get your students started. Morgan Nosbisch at Riceville and Malayne Meyer at Osage, are the co-chairs for this CDE contest.	
4B	Poultry Evaluation	Don't be CHICKEN! Have a Poultry CDE team! Ashley Wiebe, teacher at Muscatine, will be sharing her EGGcellent tips to train your next Poultry team to make sure there is no FOWL play! No YOLKING around, attend this workshop!	
5B	Delivering Consistent Dual Credit Options	Hosted by Post Secondary teachers so join this panel to discuss what concurrent enrollment looks like and how to be most effective.	

1C	Maximize Self-Care	Most of the time Ag Teachers don't even Minimize Self Care let alone Maximize it! This workshop will be put on by Elsa Schmidt, Renee Thompson and Amy Mosbey - teachers who are at different points in their teaching careers. This workshop will cover how to know that you are at your limit before things hit a breaking point, highlight a way we are going to try to make your work life a bit easier and provide time to talk with other teachers to get to know each other better and to share some of your best tips and tricks! Maximizing self care shouldn't
		some of your best tips and tricks! Maximizing self care shouldn't be something we minimize any longer!

2C	Maximize Student Engagement	Kim Bellah who is a State Regional Specialist from National FFA who will present on student engagement. Classrooms were once viewed as a place for rows and columns with silent students and talking teachers. We know the times, they have CHANGED! How can we help encourage a sense of empathy and inclusion in classes while raising engagement and encouraging students to develop their virtues to meet – and exceed – expectations? Using an approach first developed with "The Virtues Project for Educators", you can move your classroom to a shared environment where students and teachers speak the language of the virtues, allow opportunities for corrections in a positive manner, and ensure all students are included in making the agricultural classroom a place of growth and positivity! Walk away with examples and practice you can implement right away!
3C	Maximize PLC's	Join Malayne Meyer & Kevin Anderson as they discuss the impact Professional Learning Communities has had on them and how to utilize them better at your school.
4C	Watershed Case Studies	Dive In and Explore Watershed-based Conservation Case Studies. This session focuses on new Watershed-Based Case Studies that were developed to be easy and ready to use by educators for grades 8-12. All materials are provided as free downloads, including booklets for educators and students, as well as PowerPoints and agendas. The workshop will be interactive and an opportunity to explore the case studies firsthand. The workshop presenter is Elizabeth Ripley and she is a Conservation and Cover Crop Outreach Specialist with the award-winning Iowa State University Extension and Outreach program Iowa Learning Farms. Ripley has been with the program for ten years and plans, coordinates, executes, and evaluates 30+ field day and workshop education events for farmers, landowners, local and state agency personnel annually. As a part of her position, she helped develop the nationally recognized Whole Farm Conservation Best Practices Manual and Field Crop Production Handbook. Ripley is a graduate of the Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter and has a B.S. and M.S. in Agricultural Economics.
5C	Destination Pork	Here's a great addition to your Animal Science or General Agriculture classes! Destination Pork is a new and free curriculum from the US Pork Center of Excellence. It's aligned with AFNR standards. Come learn more about the curriculum and the content it covers. Destination Pork provides opportunities for students to maximize their swine experience! Through Destination Pork, students are able to gain a deeper understanding of the industry, its endless opportunities, and how they can further their career options.

1D	Maximize Classroom Safety	<ul> <li>Objectives for workshop:</li> <li>Share all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and recreational off-road vehicle (ROV) safety information highlighting Iowa FFA member data.</li> <li>Discuss opportunities for FFA chapters to apply for off-road vehicle safety grant funding from our program.</li> <li>Share information about our Firearm Safety program which focuses on access and safe storage.</li> <li>Provide data about firearms and FFA members from both the state and national FFA conferences.</li> <li>Discuss and encourage club participation in parental focus group sessions being held November 23, 2023 – February 24, 2024, related to our firearm injury prevention program.</li> <li>Discuss how FFA chapters can get involved with National Injury Prevention Day (11/18).</li> <li>Distribute educational materials for advisors to use during the year.</li> </ul>
2D	Maximize Chapter Management	How do you keep things organized throughout the year? You have AET, the officer team, POA, officer books, reports, and so, so much more. Raelyn Harris will be sharing her chapter leadership handbook full of materials collected following the teachers motto - beg, borrow, steal.
3D	Maximize Efficiency	So much to do, so little time. How to apply common tips to improve your overall efficiency. Join Debbie Barkela and Renee Thompson as they share with you tips and tricks to make your job easier.
4D	Maximize Accommodations	Join Logan Henry as she presents on maximizing accommodations. Do you find yourself not meeting your own expectations when it comes to incorporating special education populations into your classroom? Or do you not understand all the information that is put into a student's IEP and what applies to you as an agriculture educator? This workshop will cover the basics of IEPs, accommodations/modifications, creating lesson plans for special education populations, how to utilize paras in your classroom and other basic special education information.
5D	Maximizing Time with Students	How have laws changed and how can we or how do we change what needs to be changed.

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