

WEIMAR FFA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

I. OFFICER ELECTIONS

- A. The chapter officers will be composed of a minimum of six (maximum shall be determined on an annual basis with input from senior officers and FFA Advisors) active members and will carry out the official business of the chapter.
- B. Chapter officers must apply for the office they seek. The applications must be submitted by stated date.
- C. Officers will be interviewed by a committee and ranked.
- D. Officers will be voted upon by the members attending the election meeting.
- E. The percentages for interview and test shall be 40%, popular vote 40% and Ag teacher/senior officer ranking 20%.

II. OFFICER QUALIFICATIONS

- A. All officer candidates are to know and agree to abide by the FFA Code of Ethics.
- B. All officer candidates are to have knowledge of The Mission and Strategies of the FFA Organization.
- C. All officer candidates are to have commendable citizenship and conduct records.
- D. All officer candidates shall have their official FFA dues paid and be enrolled in an Agricultural Science class.
- E. Officer candidates shall meet the following respective scholastic requirements:
 - i. Chapter officer candidates must have an average of "B" or better in past Agricultural Science courses and have an overall average of "B" or better in courses taken the semester immediately preceding officer elections.
 - ii. Chapter officer candidates must have consistent attendance at school throughout the year.
- F. All officer candidates are to have a sincere desire to carry out the duties of the office to which they are elected.
- G. All officers must commit to participating in at least one LDE and one CDE/SDE during the year prior to election.
- H. Each officer must have completed the requirements for the past year's degree.
- I. Each officer candidate **MUST** have participated in at least one LDE, one CDE/SDE, three WeCAN service activities during the year prior to running for office.
- J. Each officer must assist with Weimar FFA We C.A.N. Sunday Food Bank distributions (held the 3rd Sunday of each month).
- K. Each officer must participate in the following activities the entire time on dates TBA: District Leadership Conference, Greenhand Orientation, Greenhand Lock-in, and Officer Retreat.
- L. In order to obtain the maximum benefit of the FFA experience, each officer is **STRONGLY** encouraged to attend State FFA Convention.
- M. Each officer will be provided a list of activity dates in order to be fully aware of required attendance. This list will be as inclusive as possible but additional activities may be added through-out the year based on needs of the chapter and community.
- N. Officers must pass all classes during the school year.
- O. Each officer must complete and submit an officer application on an annual basis.

- P. Officers shall conduct themselves befitting of a Weimar FFA officer in ALL school-related venues.

III. NATIONAL CONVENTION ATTENDEES

- A. Weimar FFA attendance at the National FFA Convention shall be on a rotational basis unless required to attend based on competition, award(s), and/or those running for a National FFA office.
- B. Those Weimar FFA members advancing to Nationals as award winners are eligible to participate in the National FFA Convention each year that he/she is eligible.
 - a. National award winner(s) (excluding American FFA Degree recipients) and national competitor(s) expenses shall be paid by WISD.
- C. Weimar FFA Junior/Senior officers and star recipients for the prior 2 years are eligible to attend during the rotational year for National FFA Convention attendance.
 - a. Star recipients, American FFA Degree recipients, and/or junior/senior officer attendees will be responsible for expenses such as airline tickets, meals, and a portion of the hotel room expenses.

IV. DUTIES

- A. Officers are to carry out their duties as outlined in the official FFA Manual and as outlined in the Weimar FFA Handbook. Additional duties may be assigned by the Advisors as deemed necessary.

V. TERM OF OFFICE

- A. The terms of office shall be for one year, ending after the newly elected officers are installed.

VI. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

- A. Officers may be removed from office for failing to meet the qualifications stated in the constitution and chapter officer agreement.
- B. Officers must meet the same qualifications for holding office the second school semester as they did when elected; otherwise their term of office will expire.
- C. A 3-strike rule shall be in place throughout the year whereby 1 strike will be issued for each required responsibility not attended. After three strikes, the officer shall be excused from any further officer responsibilities. Such officer may NOT seek another office the following year.
- D. Based on behavior unbecoming an officer, such officer will be entitled to a full and impartial review and hearing by the executive committee. They may be temporarily or permanently dismissed from office. A decision will be based upon the facts.

VII. GENERAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

- A. Membership may be temporarily or permanently denied for failure to abide by the FFA Code of Ethics and/or the Weimar ISD Student Code of Conduct.

VIII. MEMBER RESPONSIBILITY (ACTIONS/DRESS)

- A. Each individual member takes upon themselves the responsibility of wearing official clothing and accessories with dignity and pride so as to reflect a positive image of

himself, the school, the FFA Organization, and the local chapter.

- B. Each individual FFA member is to realize that they are a personal representative of their school and FFA Chapter. The image of the school and chapter are reflected through and by them as an individual. Aim for and achieve excellence.

IX. OFFICIAL FFA AND SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

- A. All members will show pride in the FFA Organization and in his/her school by properly caring for and using the facility, its equipment, and official paraphernalia in a proper, dignified manner.

X. DISTRICT, AREA, STATE, NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE

- A. Weimar FFA members seeking office above the chapter level shall submit their name prior to the District election meeting. If more than one candidate for a position submits their name, these candidates shall follow the selection process in place for each level of candidacy (District/Area/State/National).