

# Southern Region FFA Officer Commitment Form

In addition to serving and representing more than 14,000 FFA members, you will represent the image and direction of the California FFA Association to teachers, state staff, teacher educators, agriculture industry executives, government leaders, the media and the general public. You will also be a teammate to the other Southern Region FFA Officers.

I understand the following items are commitments required of all Southern Region FFA officers, and I agree to:

1. Be dedicated and committed to FFA and the total program of education in agriculture/agribusiness.
2. Forego all alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances at all times during my term of service to the FFA.
3. Avoid places or activities that in any way would raise questions as to one's moral character or conduct.
4. Use wholesome and appropriate language in all speeches and informal conversations.
5. Maintain proper dress and grooming for all occasions.
6. Accept and follow instructions as directed by those responsible for Southern Region FFA officers and regional/state FFA programs.
7. Maintain and protect my health.
8. Regularly, and on time, write all letters, thank you notes, e-mails, and other correspondence which are necessary and desirable.
9. Accept and search out constructive criticism and evaluation of my total performance.
10. Through preparation and practice, develop myself into an effective public speaker and project a desirable image of FFA at all times.
11. Commit the entire year to Southern Region FFA officer activities.
12. All travel expected of me while serving the Southern Region FFA.
13. Consider FFA officer activities to be my primary responsibility.
14. Strive to improve my ability to carry on meaningful and enjoyable conversations with individuals of all ages and walks of life.
15. Treat all FFA members equally by not favoring one over another.
16. Conduct myself in a manner that commands respect without any display of superiority.
17. Maintain my dignity while being personable, concerned and interested in contacts with others. I will periodically evaluate my personality and attitudes making every effort to improve myself.
18. Serve as a member of the Region Officer team, always maintaining a cooperative attitude.
19. Work in harmony with fellow FFA officers, and not knowingly engage in conversations detrimental to other FFA Members, officers and adults.
20. Become knowledgeable of agriculture, of agriculture education, and of FFA.
21. Keep myself up to date on current events.

I have read, studied and understand the intent and spirit of the items listed above. I commit to following the rules and procedures outlined. I recognize that breaking policies or these rules may result in limitations being set on my roles as a Southern Region FFA officer and/or the possible removal from office by the Southern Region FFA Advisor.

I fully understand the commitment and responsibility which my son/daughter is undertaking as a Southern Region FFA Officer and agree to support the efforts and decisions of the advisor to the Region officer team in the event my son/daughter fails to meet the commitment he/she is hereby agreeing to undertake.

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Southern Region FFA Officer Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature