

GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

Workforce Character (Soft Skills) Development



Premier Leadership. Personal Growth.
Career Success.

What are Soft Skills?

Applied Knowledge

Workplace Skills

Effective Relationships



Three Categories

Applied Knowledge

Applied Academic Skills

Enable students to put skills based on academic disciplines and learning - such as reading, writing, mathematical strategies and scientific procedures

Critical Thinking Skills

Enable students to analyze, reason, solve problems, plan, organize, and make sound decisions



Workplace Skills



Resource Management

Enable students to successfully perform tasks by managing time and other resources

Information Use

Enable students to successfully perform tasks by understanding, evaluating, and using a variety of information

Communication Skills

Enable students to successfully perform tasks by communicating effectively with others in multiple formats

Systems Thinking

Enable students to successfully perform tasks by understand relationships among the components of a system

Effective Relationships

Interpersonal skills

Enable students to collaborate as a member of a team or work independently, as appropriate; communicate effectively; maintain a positive attitude; and contribute to the overarching goals of the workplace

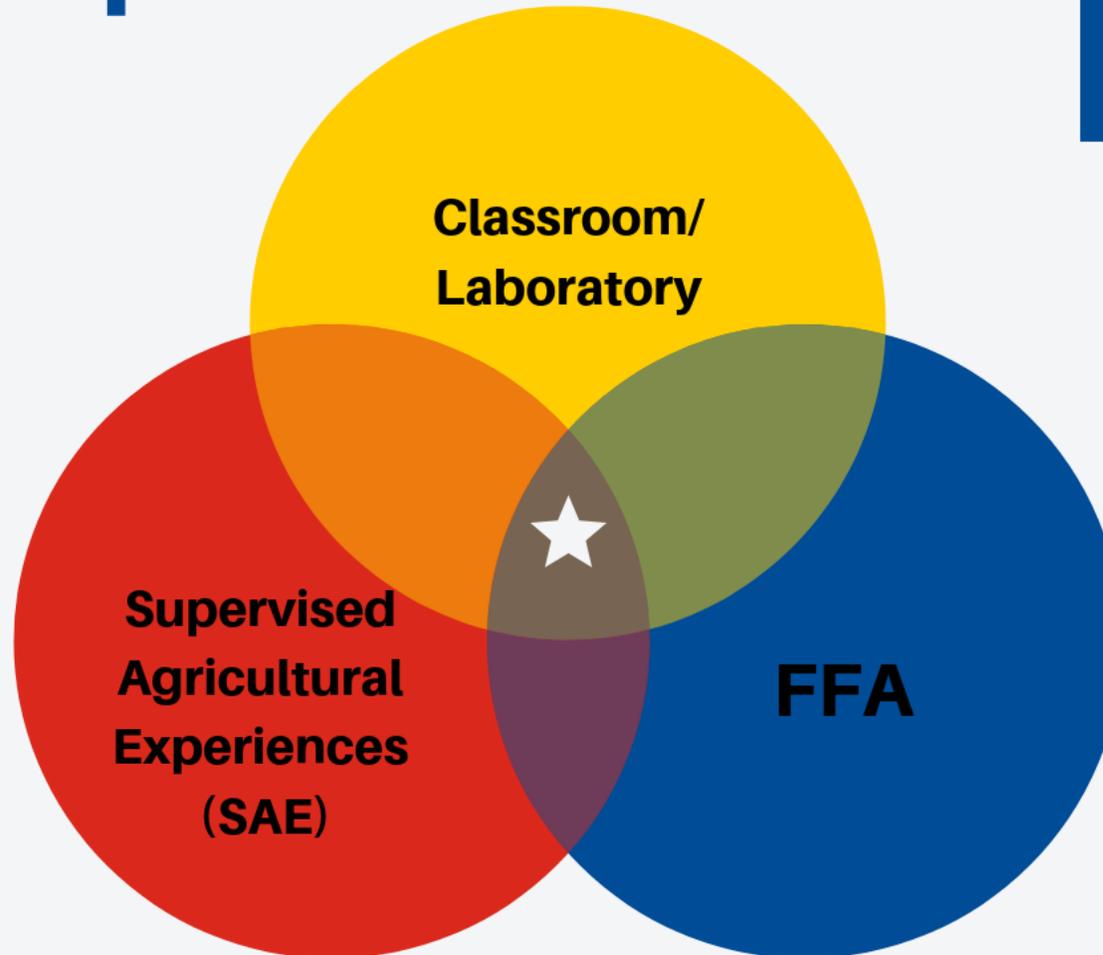
Personal Qualities

Include responsibility, self-discipline, flexibility, integrity, initiative, professionalism, self-worth, willingness to learn, and acceptance of responsibility for one's own growth.



Three Component Model

**Basis of
Agricultural
Education**



Areas of Georgia Ag Ed



HORTICULTURE



FORESTRY



AG MECHANICS



**ANIMAL
SCIENCE**



LEADERSHIP



FOUNDATION



CAMPS



CURRICULUM

CLASSROOM/LABORATORY

Agriculture Teachers

An agricultural educator is a model of professionalism, and takes an active role in all students lives and careers.

Leadership Curriculum

AFNR-BAS-1

Students enrolled in agricultural education will demonstrate employability skills required by business and industry

Presentations/ Assessment

Standing in front of a class and sharing information about information learned is a common practice used to assess learning of students

Industry Speakers

Students hear from industry representatives about the soft skills needed to be successful in careers.

You can ask anyone who took an agriculture education course who their ag teacher was, and they will know. Even fifty years down the road.

THE FACES



JESSICA BOWDEN
LAGRANGE HIGH
*GVATA OUTSTANDING
TEACHER 2019*



LUCAS BROCK
CENTRAL MIDDLE
*FIRST YEAR TEACHER,
NEW PROGRAM*



LULA WILLIAMS
NORTHEAST BIBB
TEACHING 20+ YEARS

SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCES

Placement

Students work for another person or company, may be paid or unpaid.

ex. Working for the Soil Conservation Service

Entrepreneurship

Students personally own all or part of an enterprise including materials, supplies, and inventory.

ex. Operating a floral shop

Agriscience

Students use a science lab or an environmental site for study.

ex. Studying the effect of salinity on seed germination

Exploratory

Students get a wide range of experiences to learn more about career opportunities.

ex. Job Shadowing

SAE'S AND SOFT SKILLS

INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communicating with employer/customers to improve your project

WORK ETHIC

Successful SAE's take more than ten minutes a day, but a devotion for a lifetime.

KNOWLEDGE DRIVEN

To improve an SAE or fix any issues that might arise, students must have extensive knowledge about their areas.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

To build relationships, students must create a solid first impression through handshakes and introductions

SAE FOR LIFE



JACOB SCHINDLER, LOWNDES CO.

Used helium as an environmentally friendly way to eradicate kudzu. His methods are patent pending.



KNAPP BODDIFORD, SOUTHEAST BULLOCH

Works on over 10,000 acres of crop production.



KYLIE WHITWORTH, MADISON CO.

Expanded her goat entrepreneurship from 3 goats to a herd of 47.

FFA

CDE/LDE

Through competitive events, students practice speaking, introducing themselves, explaining their reasoning, and communicating with a set of judges

Interviews

Students can be interviewed about their SAE's for awards in the FFA. These include proficiencies and the agriscience fair.

Conferences

Georgia FFA offers 6 different conferences centered around leadership development presented by students for students.

Officer Positions

Officers on the chapter, area, state, and national level utilize teamwork and decision making to better serve their communities and members



CDEs with a Presentation

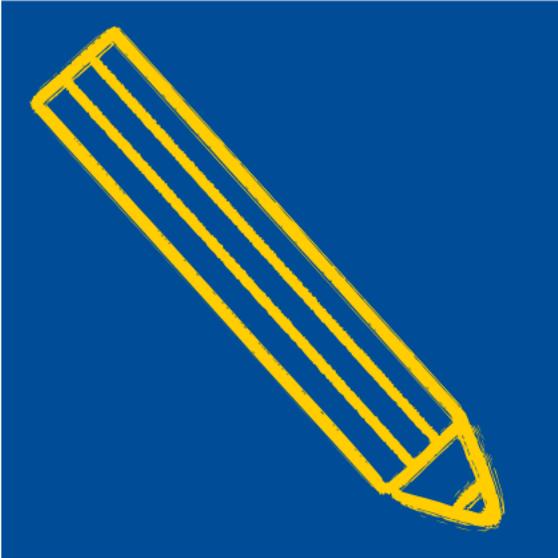
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Conduct of Chapter Meetings
Creed Speaking
Dairy Cattle Evaluation
Discussion Meet
Employment Skills
ENR
Extemporaneous Speaking

FFA Quiz
Floral Design
Floriculture
Horse Evaluation
Livestock Evaluation
Marketing Plan
Meats Evaluation
Parliamentary Procedure
Poultry Evaluation
Prepared Public Speaking
Veterinary Science



2019-2020 State FFA Officers

Georgia Ag Ed



350+
FFA Chapters



43,000+
FFA Members



Third largest
State Association*

*Only behind Texas and California