

Shingle Springs-Ponderosa FFA

Chapter Officer Application

2018-2019 School Year

Guidelines:

- All officer positions are open to any second and third year agriculture student with a minimum of a **G.P.A of 2.00** with **no D's or F's in any of your current classes.**
- President position shall be open to any student currently holding the Chapter FFA Degree.
- Be familiar with general FFA knowledge (i.e. FFA Motto, FFA Mission Statement, 3 Circles of Ag Education).
- You must either possess or will have earned by the end of your term, your Chapter FFA Degree. You must also have your own FFA jacket or plans to be purchasing one by the end of the school year.
- Chapter Officers will be given an officer contract that covers their individual responsibilities they will be obligated to honor. Disciplinary action will be based on individual issues if needed.
- Chapter Officers will be participating in activities at the local, sectional, regional and state level and are expected to maintain pride and dedication through their school and personal actions. Officers are required to sign and abide by a responsibility and behavior contract throughout their year of office.
- Chapter Officers are expected/required to take 1st period Ag Leadership class the year that they are serving in office.
- Fill out the attached application, have your parents sign and date it, and return it no later than **Friday April 13th by 3pm!**
Answer each question as honestly as possible and be sure to use complete sentences.
- Interviews will be held on the afternoon of Monday, **April 16th** in the Ag Dept. Interviews will be individually completed with the Nominating Committee and FFA Advisors. Officer nominees will be notified that evening by phone.
- You are required to attend the April meeting, on Tuesday April 17. Tuesday morning poster materials will be available for all students to create a candidate poster to be used that evening for the Officer Meet and Greet at the end of the FFA Meeting.
- You are required to give a speech in support of your nomination. It will be videotaped on **Thursday April 26 or Friday April 27,** after school and will be shown to all the agriculture classes on election day. **There will be a sign up list for recording times when the officer slate is announced after interviews.** Your speech needs to be a maximum of 2 minutes in length, must be recorded in the Ag Department, and you are allowed to bring/use props as needed for your speech. You will need to be practiced and prepared on filming day as you will have a maximum of 15 minutes to record your speech.
- Officer Speeches will be shown and voting will take place on Tuesday, May 1 in Agriculture classes. Candidates will be informed that week if they will be serving as an officer or not.

Name: _____

Grade in school: _____

On a separate sheet of paper please type your answers. Be sure to answer completely and use complete sentences.

1. Describe the qualities you possess that make you an ideal candidate for chapter office.
2. What are the top three FFA Activities that you have participated in and what have you learned from each of them?
3. Review the officer duties and then mark the 2 offices that you feel most qualified for (remember presidency is not open to current freshmen). Note, not all offices may be filled.

President	_____	Reporter	_____
Vice President	_____	Sentinel	_____
Secretary	_____	Historian	_____
Treasurer	_____	Recruitment	_____

4. What would you like to do to make the Ponderosa FFA Chapter stronger and more successful in the future? Please be specific in explaining your ideas.
5. What are some potential conflicts that may present challenges to you while serving as an officer - *sports, job, school, AP classes, grades, transportation, etc.*? Please list them in detail. Please explain how you plan to balance your commitments with FFA and your other activities. Please rank your priorities from highest to lowest.
6. You will be required to attend a MANDATORY officer retreat this summer. Dates will be determined by the team. Please explain your summer availability, and any dates that you absolutely cannot attend a 4 day retreat. It is extremely important to building a team that each officer is in attendance. This will be a great teambuilding session as well as set the theme and the tone for the rest of the year.

There will also be the expectation to attend the Chapter Officer Leadership Conference which will take place for 1-2 days in the fall and winter retreat planned during the end of winter break for 2-3 days.

Parents – Thank you for supporting your student in their choice to make a difference in the FFA! It will be an exciting and challenging school year. Your students are required to attend the officer retreat this summer and each month an officer meeting is held at a different student’s home. Do you foresee any problems with your student being an officer, attending the retreat, or hosting one of the monthly FFA meetings at your home or a location that you would plan to host for? Please include a separate statement if there is an issue or concern with any of these or with any questions or concerns about events or officer responsibilities and expectations.

Address _____ Cell Phone # _____

_____ E-mail address: _____

Parent Name and Home Phone number: _____

_____ Date _____

Student Signature

_____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature

SURVEY OF CHAPTER OFFICER CANDIDATE'S QUALIFICATIONS

To the Candidate:

The Chapter Officer Candidate Survey of Qualifications is a confidential document that should be submitted privately by a school teacher, counselor, administrator, or other school official. Place indicate who the survey has been completed by. Next, deliver this form to the individual who will be completing it. **Remember, one survey must be submitted on your behalf as shown below.** Remind the survey completer that this form must be delivered directly to Mrs. Sawyer. In any event, you should check back with each survey completer to be certain the form is delivered by April 1st.

Candidate's Name: _____

Survey Completed By: Teacher___ Counselor___ Administrator___ Other:_____

To the Survey Completer:

Your responses to this survey are extremely important. The information you provide will have a direct impact on this individual's bid for office in the Ponderosa FFA Chapter. Chapter FFA Officers play a significant role in guiding and operating our chapter's program. We genuinely appreciate your participation and cooperation in this process. The Chapter FFA Advisor and Nominating Committee are the only individuals who will see this survey. We ask that you are completely open, honest, and thorough with your responses.

Place a check to the left of no more then 10 Character Traits below that best describe the Applicant

<input type="checkbox"/> Accepting	<input type="checkbox"/> Exuberant	<input type="checkbox"/> Mature
<input type="checkbox"/> Altruistic	<input type="checkbox"/> Follower	<input type="checkbox"/> Open
<input type="checkbox"/> Argumentative	<input type="checkbox"/> Follows Through	<input type="checkbox"/> Open to Criticism
<input type="checkbox"/> Assertive	<input type="checkbox"/> Forceful	<input type="checkbox"/> Open-Minded
<input type="checkbox"/> Attentive	<input type="checkbox"/> Gives in Easily	<input type="checkbox"/> Outgoing
<input type="checkbox"/> Caring	<input type="checkbox"/> Good Thinker	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient
<input type="checkbox"/> Charismatic	<input type="checkbox"/> Happy	<input type="checkbox"/> Perfectionist
<input type="checkbox"/> Compassionate	<input type="checkbox"/> Honest	<input type="checkbox"/> Pleasant
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative	<input type="checkbox"/> Impulsive	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular with Peers
<input type="checkbox"/> Creative	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrious	<input type="checkbox"/> Quality Worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Delegates	<input type="checkbox"/> Interested in Others	<input type="checkbox"/> Respected by Peers
<input type="checkbox"/> Deliberate	<input type="checkbox"/> Intrinsically Motivated	<input type="checkbox"/> Respects Others
<input type="checkbox"/> Dependable	<input type="checkbox"/> Intuitive	<input type="checkbox"/> Responsible
<input type="checkbox"/> Devious	<input type="checkbox"/> Know-It-All	<input type="checkbox"/> Self-Centered
<input type="checkbox"/> Doer	<input type="checkbox"/> Lazy	<input type="checkbox"/> Sincere
<input type="checkbox"/> Domineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Leader	<input type="checkbox"/> Wants Own Way
<input type="checkbox"/> Egotistical	<input type="checkbox"/> Loner	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
<input type="checkbox"/> Enthusiastic	<input type="checkbox"/> Loves People	

Please complete both sides of this form.

Circle or Highlight the term on each line that you believe best describes the applicant. **Make sure one item in each line is marked.**

Quality Observed	Applicants Natural Behavior		
Evaluates People by:	Seeing Good	Highly Critical	Accepting
Happiest When Goals are Met:	Own Goals	Others Goals	Groups Goals
In Close Relationships:	Comfortable	Struggles	Avoids
In Making Decisions wants:	Others to Adjust	To Avoid Conflict	To Meet Half-Way
Keeps Group Business Private:	Good	Poor	Gossips Freely
Leadership Style is:	Dictative	Democratic	Seeks Consensus
Morals are Considered:	High	Good	Questionable
Self Esteem is:	Conceited	High	Low
Takes Direction:	Very Well	OK	Rarely
Wants Constructive Critique	Always	Sometimes	Never
Wants Own Way:	Most of Time	Sometimes	Never
When Critiquing Others	Comfortable	Uncomfortable	Avoids
Working in Groups:	Does Groups Work	Shares Work	Does Easy Work
Works Best:	By Self	Small Group	Large Group
Works Hard:	On Disliked Jobs	On All Jobs	On Jobs they Like

Comments:

Record here any information which you believe would be valuable in helping the committee know more about and accurately evaluate the candidate.

Recommendation:

Would make an Excellent Chapter Officer Candidate: _____

I have concerns/reservations regarding this candidate: _____

Should not be elected to Chapter Office: _____

Name of Survey Completer: _____

Survey Completer Signature: _____