



Tompkins FFA Member Handbook

2023 – 2024

“Dig Deep”



Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

“Katy ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission to or employment in its educational programs or activities.”

Hello and Welcome to OTHS!

We are so excited that you have shown an interest in becoming a member of the Tompkins FFA Chapter. In this handbook, you will find everything that you need to know to get involved and become an active member. Please look over the packet completely as it is filled with lots of valuable information and dates pertaining to this school year. We are looking forward to seeing all of you at our first FFA meeting!

Welcome to Tompkins FFA: Let's Dig Deep!

Brooke Young

Brooke Young
Tompkins FFA President

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Tompkins FFA Website / Social Media

Tompkins FFA has its own website which contains lots of information about Ag Classes, the Booster Club, FFA Information, Links to Livestock Show Rules, and a Calendar.

Website: www.tompkinsffa.ffa.org
Follow us on Instagram @TompkinsFFA
Like us on Facebook- Tompkins FFA

FFA Leadership Fee- \$35

A leadership fee is required for members who wish to receive a chapter t-shirt and travel with Tompkins FFA. This helps to offset the cost of entries, travel expenses, and the purchase of supplies and equipment. You must be enrolled in an Ag Science class for the entire school year in order to maintain FFA membership.

Please pay your FFA leadership fee by **Friday, September 1st**. Payments can be made on the A+ Pay N' Go website, located on the main Katy ISD web page.

A+ Pay N' Go website link:

<https://katyisd.revtrak.net/high-schools/tompkins-high-school/oths-student-activity-clubs/oths-agricultural-science-ffa/#/list>

Tompkins Jr. FFA-\$10

Jr. FFA membership is open to younger siblings of Tompkins FFA members that are in grades 3-8. Dues for Jr. Members will be \$10. Joining the Jr. FFA allows the member to participate in local meetings as well as showing at county and major livestock shows under the supervision of the Ag Science teachers. Since they are not enrolled in a high school Ag Science class, they are not allowed to participate in LDE's or CDE's that are sponsored by the Texas FFA. Jr. membership dues will be paid to an Advisor in-person by cash.

Meetings

Tompkins FFA will hold a meeting once a month during the school year. Meetings begin at 6pm and will be held in the Main Commons at OTHS unless you are notified otherwise. Meetings are an important function of the FFA and all members are encouraged to attend as chapter business is voted upon and important information is announced.

2032-2024 Meetings will be held on the following dates:

September 5 th	November 7 th	January 16 th	March 5 th
October 3 rd	December 5 th	February 6 th	April 9 th

FFA Banquet- May 15, 2024

The Annual FFA banquet is a celebration of the Tompkins FFA member's achievements throughout the year.

The event will be held at the Katy ISD Agricultural Facility located at:

5825 Katy Hockley Cut-Off Road, Katy, TX 77493

Every member and their parents are encouraged to attend. All members should wear their FFA Official Dress.

If members do not have official dress, they should wear Sunday Best.

Newsletters

We will send out a monthly newsletter that has information about upcoming events as well as results from past events. Newsletters will be posted in the Tompkins FFA Canvas Course. Newsletters will also be posted on the website as well at www.tompkinsffa.ffa.org.

Tompkins FFA Booster Club

The Tompkins FFA Booster Club is made up of parents and extended family members of current and former FFA students, members of the community, business leaders, and former FFA students. The purpose of the Booster Club is to support the Tompkins FFA program and its members. Money raised from fundraisers is used to support the FFA chapter with (including, but not limited to) travel expenses, equipment needed for chapter operations, and assistance with FFA events and activities as needed. There are also many volunteer opportunities, including offering support to students at the KISD progress show, KISD livestock show, community events, FFA banquet, and more. Booster club meetings are held each month on the same dates and at the same time as student chapter meetings. Your participation allows for families and community members to work together to ensure the success of our students!

FFA Officers

As an FFA member, you have the opportunity to run for a chapter, district, area, state, and national office. As an officer you are in a position of leadership, which will require time and energy.

Chapter Officer Elections – Officer Elections are held in April each year. To declare yourself as an officer candidate, you must complete an officer application and turn it in to an Ag Teacher by the deadline. The officer candidates complete a four-part election process as follows:

1. Application
2. Interview
3. Test over FFA & Parliamentary Procedure
4. Vote by membership
5. Teacher Evaluations

For more information on running for a district, area, state or national officer, contact an Ag teacher.

Official Dress

The uniform worn by FFA members at local, state, and national functions is called official dress. It provides identity and a distinctive, recognizable image to the organization. Official Dress is outlined below:

Males

White Collared Shirt
FFA Tie
FFA Jacket zipped to the top
Black Pants or slacks (black jeans for show)
Plain Black Shoes or Boots
Black socks if socks are visible
Black belt

Females

White Collared Blouse
FFA Scarf
FFA Jacket zipped to the top
Black Pantyhose
Plain Black knee length or longer skirt
Plain Black closed-toe, closed-heel shoes

For the KISD Livestock Show and other activities approved by the Ag Teachers, Ladies may wear:

Black Slacks/Jeans – no skinny jeans and free of “embellishments”
Plain Black closed-toe, closed heel shoes/boots
Black socks if socks are visible
Black belt- limited sparkles

FFA Jackets

FFA Jackets can be earned by completing the required activities listed below. This will include your jacket, a tie or scarf, and shipping. Measurements will be taken by the Ag Teacher and orders will be placed in December.

- Pay FFA Leadership Fee
- Attend all FFA Meetings
- Sell \$500 or more of fundraiser items (must sell at least one ad and/or fruit, meat, desserts)
- Complete 10 Hours of Community Service
- Maintain a Record Book
- Complete Katy ISD Livestock Show FFA History and Showmanship Ethics by **date to be announced**
- Recite FFA Creed by **date to be announced (first year members only)**
- Participate in 2 different activities above the chapter level- **date to be announced**
 - Taylor FFA Ag Olympics – October 14th
 - Area 3 FFA Greenhand Camp – September 16th (*first year members only*)

- Cinco Ranch Feeding Seminar- September 18th
- Northwest District Greenhand Camp – October 24th (*first year members only*)
- Northwest District LDE Contest – November 9th
- KISD Progress Show (Must attend both days completely) – December 7th-8th
- **Any other opportunities deemed appropriate by the advisors**

Leadership Development Contests

Leadership Development Events (LDE's) are held during the fall semester of the year. These events help you develop public speaking and leadership skills. You must compete at the district level and place either 1st, 2nd, or 3rd to compete at the area level and must place 1st or 2nd to advance to State. You must win the state contest in order to compete at the National Contest. Lists of the contests are below:

Jr. & Sr. Chapter Conducting
 Jr. & Sr. FFA Skills Demonstration
 Jr. & Sr. FFA Quiz Team
 Jr. & Sr. Creed Speaking
 Agricultural Issues Forum
 Radio Broadcasting
 FFA Public Relations
 Job Interview
 Ag Advocacy

Public Speaking Contests

Public Speaking contests are held in the spring of each semester. You must compete at the district level and place either 1st, 2nd, or 3rd to compete at the area level and 1st or 2nd at Area to compete at the state level. You must win the state contest in order to compete at the national contest. The Northwest District FFA Speaking Contests will be held in April.

Extemporaneous Speaking- Gather information in binders, draw a topic at contest, then you have 30 minutes to prepare and deliver a speech over drawn topic.

Jr. Prepared Speaking- Deliver an original prepared speech over the topic of your choice.

Soil Stewardship- Deliver an original prepared speech over the assigned topic for that year. There are scholarships attached to this contest.

Sr. Prepared Speaking- Deliver and original prepared speech in one of the six categories below:

- Animal Science
- Plant Science
- Natural Resources
- Agribusiness
- Agricultural Policy
- Agriculture Technology and Communications

Career Development Events (CDE's)

There are many different Career Development Events (CDE's) that held in the spring semester of the school year. You must place either in the top 5 or in the top 15% of all teams competing in that event at the Area contest in order to advance and compete at the State contest. Some contests advance to National competition and some do not. The list below is a sample of the CDE contests that the Ag Teachers have trained in the past. We are open to trying new contests and not limited to the contests below, based on student commitment.

Veterinary Science, Floriculture, Nursery Landscape, Horse Judging, Livestock Judging, Range, Wildlife, Meat Judging, Milk Quality Products, Poultry Judging, Entomology, Wool, and Marketing Plan

Awards, Degrees, & Member Recognition

The following is a description of the awards that are available to members at the Annual FFA Awards Banquet that is held in May of each school year as well as at the District, Area, State, and National Level.

Star Awards

Star Awards are given to the “Most” Most Active award recipient. A list of student activities is kept throughout the year, which determines the Most Active members for each level of membership within our chapter. The member who has the most activities of that group is awarded the Star Award, which is also available at the District, Area, and State level, but has a different selection process. Contact an Ag teacher if you are interested in applying at the District, Area, or State level. The following categories are selected within Tompkins FFA and are awarded at the FFA Banquet in May:

Star Greenhand (1st year FFA Member)

Star Chapter (2nd year FFA member)

Star Lone Star (3rd year FFA member)

Most Active Awards

The Ag teachers and officers will keep a list of activities completed by each FFA member. The members with the most activities will be recognized at the FFA Banquet in May of each year with a special “Most Active” award. Awards will be given to the Most Active Greenhands, Chapter Farmers, and Lone Stars.

Proficiency Awards

To apply for proficiency awards at the chapter level you must complete the application that will be passed out in the spring semester. Proficiency awards are given to members that excel in various Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) areas. Proficiency Awards are also available at the District, Area, and State level. For more information on how to apply at the district, area, and state level talk to an Ag Teacher.

FFA Degrees

There are four degrees available to Tompkins FFA members. Each degree has certain criteria that must be met. Below is a brief description of the awards and when they may be received.

(Refer to the Tompkins FFA, Texas FFA, and National FFA Constitution for degree requirements.)

Greenhand Degree- Given to 1st year FFA members.

Chapter Degree- Given to 2nd year FFA members.

Lone Star Degree- Given to 3rd year FFA members.

American Degree- Given to an FFA Member the year after they have graduated High School.

Leadership Activities

There are many leadership activities available to Tompkins FFA members. These activities happen at different times of the year and some require the member to be a district, area, or state officer. Some activities require registration fees from the FFA members. Announcements of these camps and conferences will be made in class, on the website, and in the monthly newsletter.

District, Area, State Leadership Camps- Chapter, District, Area Officers Only
District Greenhand Camp
Area Greenhand Camp
District/Area Convention, State FFA Convention, National FFA Convention
Washington Leadership Conference
Texas FFA Ford Leadership Scholars
Texas FFA Foundation Ambassador
FFA Day at the Capitol
Courtesy Corp
Made for Excellence, Building Excellence, Executing with Excellence Conferences
Nominating Committee

State FFA Convention

Each year in July, the Texas FFA holds its annual convention. This is the largest youth convention in the United States with over 14,000 attendees. Tompkins FFA attends this convention each summer to participate in leadership workshops, help conduct business of the Texas FFA, and to hear some world-renowned motivational speakers. The chapter officers will attend along with other members based on room availability, active participation and behavior throughout the year. The Ag Teachers will hold a State Convention Meeting for any member interested, where additional information will be given. Members who are participating in Courtesy Corps, Texas FFA Chorus, Texas FFA Rodeo, Convention Media, Foundation Ambassadors, Speaking Contests, AgriScience Fair, or getting recognized on stage are also eligible to attend. Additional members not serving as an officer or participating in an event listed above shall be selected on an application basis.

Fundraising Activities

The FFA does many activities throughout the year that requires money. Our community service projects, food and refreshments at meetings, chapter equipment, transportation costs, camp registration fees, entry fees for Leadership and Judging Teams, our banquet, and other activities that we participate in take a large sum of money to support. You are asked to participate in all fundraising activities that we have. The more money that our group earns, the more activities we can participate in. Fundraising activities will vary from year to year. Join our fundraisers and take an active role in supporting your chapter.

2023-2024 Fundraiser Dates

Katy ISD Livestock Show Ad Book Sales- August 30th – September 29th
RiverStar #1 (Meat, Desserts, Beverages, Popcorn, Spices and Candles)- August 25th – September 8th
RiverStar Fruit Sale (Fruit)- October 27th – November 10th
HLSR Program Sales- TBD in March (During the Houston Livestock Show)

Scholarship Opportunities

There are *over \$2 million in scholarships given out to Texas FFA members each year* at the State FFA Convention. There are also many local scholarships that are available to FFA members as well. Below is a list of some of the scholarships that are available to qualifying FFA members. Many scholarships are based on FFA activities. It is important that you participate in as many FFA activities as possible beginning with your freshman year. Check with the Ag Teachers about deadlines.

National FFA Scholarship Program- Graduating Seniors Only -varying amounts

Texas FFA Scholarship Program- Graduating Seniors Only - up to \$18,000

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Scholarships – up to \$20,000

L.D. Robinson Memorial Scholarships- Graduating Seniors Only-varying amounts

Soil Stewardship Speaking Award Scholarships-varying amounts based on level of success

John Justin Standard of the West Award-varying amounts and a pair of Justin Boots

Ryan Mott Memorial Scholarships-varying amounts

Tompkins FFA Booster Club Scholarship

Chad Thames Memorial Scholarship

Ft. Bend County Fair Scholarships

Texas Farm Bureau Scholarships – multiple

Letterman Jackets

Points for FFA Letterman Jackets will begin to accumulate on the first day of the student's first year as an FFA member. It is the member's responsibility to add up their points and turn it in to the Ag Teachers by the deadline each year. The deadline will be announced in class and in the weekly newsletter. Ag Teachers will check for accuracy. Students need the following point totals to qualify:

A total of 15 points accumulated during your FFA career is required to receive a letter Jacket.

Point totals in each area are non-cumulative where applicable to increasing levels of success.

(Ex. Student placing 5th in state contest would receive a total of 5 points.)

*5 divisions of participation students can receive points.

Leadership Development Events

- Top ten (individual or team) any LDE contest 1 pt
- Member of District Leadership Team 1 pt
- Member of Area Leadership Team 2 pts
- Member of State Leadership Team 5 pts
- Member top 10 State LDE 7 pts
- 1st Place State LDE Team 15 pts

Career Development Events

- Member of Area CDE 1 pt
(Or state team with no area qualifier)
- Top ten individual at a Spring CDE contest (area & state) 1 pt
- Member of State Qualifying CDE Team 5 pts
- Member of Top Ten State CDE Team 7 pts
- 1st Place State CDE Team 15 pts

Speaking Events

- Compete in District Speaking event 1 pt
- Compete in Area Speaking event 2 pts
- Compete in State Speaking Event 3 pts
- Top 10 at State Speaking 7 pts
- 1st Place at State Speaking 15 pts

Ag Mechanics (each project may only be exhibited once)

- Exhibition of Blue ribbon Ag. Mech. at any show 2 pts
- Exhibition a placing Ag. Mech. project in class @ county 3 pts
- Division Winner or Grand or Reserve over all @ county 5 pts
- Grand or Reserve Overall @ Majors 15 pts

Horticulture Shows (Majors or County)

- Exhibition of placing Horticulture project in class @ county or major 3 pts
- Division Winner or Grand or Reserve over all @ county 5 pts
- Grand or Reserve at majors 10 pts

Livestock (each animal may receive points once a year ex. heifer)

- Exhibiting at animal at Katy ISD Stock Show 1 pts
- Making Grand Showman at Katy ISD Livestock Show 7 pts
- Making Reserve Grand Showman at Katy ISD Livestock Show 5 pts
- Making Grand Overall at Katy ISD Livestock Show 7 pts
- Making Reserve Overall at Katy ISD Livestock Show 5 pts
- Making sale at county fair 3 pts
- Making sale at Major 5 pts
- Championship banner @ Major 15 pts
 - Majors include: State Fair, Star of Texas, Houston, San Antonio, Ft. Worth, San Angelo

FFA Awards, Offices & Misc. Activities

- Chapter Officer 2 pts
- Talent team at the District level 1 pts
- Talent team at the Area level 2 pts
- Talent team state qualifying 3 pts
- Talent Team- top 10 at state 7 pts
- Talent Team State Winner 15 pts
- Selling over \$1000 in fund raisers 1 pt
(1 point per additional \$500)
- Green hand Honor/ star Award 1 pt
- Most Active / star Award 1 pt
- State Courtesy Corps 1 pt
- FFA Ambassadors 2 pts
- State Convention Media 2 pts
- Ford Scholar Program 5 pts
- Earning Lone Star FFA Degree 3 pt
- Running for district / Area officer 1 pt
- Elected district/ Area officer 3 pt
- Exhibit an Ag Science Fair project (majors or state convention) 1 pt
- Top 10 Ag Science Fair project (majors or state convention) 2 pts
- Win state Ag Science Fair project (majors or state convention) 5pts
- Apply for Star or Proficiency Area level 3 pts
- Apply for Star or Proficiency State level 5 pts
- Win star / proficiency award state level 15 pts

*Note: District Letter jacket guidelines are currently under review and are subject to change.

Gerald Young Agricultural Facility (Ag Barn)

1. READ the Gerald Young Agricultural Facility Agreement!!! (Found in the Exhibitor Handbook)
2. Read, sign, and submit a copy of the Tompkins FFA Barn Rules.
3. Read, sign, and submit a copy of the Barn Bus Rules & Regulations (if applicable).
4. Students/Parents MUST park on the Katy-Hockley Cut Off Road side of the Ag Barn.
5. All Guests and their actions are the responsibility of the student.
6. Three strikes and you are out! You will no longer be allowed to use the Ag barn.
7. Stay in the Tompkins barn unless you are with an Ag teacher. Do not visit other barns.
8. Barn is School Property- Dress Code applies, No alcohol, tobacco, or firearms (students & parents)
9. No Pets.
10. You may keep some personal belongings at the barn but KISD and OTHS FFA is not responsible for them. Keep them locked up. You may have a “showbox” but it must be stored in front of or on top of your pen. No student will be allowed to keep “excessive” amounts of personal belongings at the barn. Definition of “excessive” will be determined by the Ag teacher on an individual basis.
11. If there is an issue after school hours, on weekends or holidays, call an Ag Teacher and then call KISD police 281-237-4000.
12. If you have a maintenance issue, please text, call, or e-mail an Ag Teacher.

The Ag Barn is for student use and is a privilege, not a right. Take care of your animals and the facilities.

Katy ISD Livestock Show Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in the Katy ISD Livestock Show, students must meet the following requirements:

- Pay FFA Leadership Fee
- Attend all FFA Meetings
- Sell \$500 or more of fundraiser items (must sell at least one ad and/or fruit, meat, desserts)
- Complete 10 Hours of Community Service
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County Fairs & Major Livestock Shows

Tompkins FFA is able to participate in the following County Fair & Major Livestock Shows:

- Fort Bend County Fair
- Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo
- Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo

Show Entries

The agricultural science teachers will assist in making arrangements for participation in any approved county and/or major livestock show(s) by holding a meeting to collect all entries. Entries in all other shows will be the responsibility of the student. It is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with all rules pertaining to his/her livestock project (this information may include weight limits, entry requirements, age, etc.)

Travel to and from Shows / Hotels / Meals

At least one parent or guardian is needed to assist in chaperoning the group for all livestock and agricultural mechanics shows. The Ag teachers will coordinate all transportation, accommodations, and hauling of projects to and from shows.

Equipment / Trailer Use

The Tompkins FFA currently owns an aluminum gooseneck livestock trailer. Since it is owned by Katy ISD, only school district employees can pull it and must do so with a school district-owned vehicle for insurance and liability purposes. The FFA Advisors will assist in making arrangements for transporting livestock/projects to school-sanctioned events. All other equipment is available for use to the members. It must be returned in working order and in good condition or the student will be expected to repair or replace the equipment. All borrowed equipment must first be checked out through an FFA Advisor.

Responsibilities to Buyers

The student will write, gain instructor approval, and deliver a Thank You note to the individuals who provide the premium money or buy their project. A photograph of the exhibitor and their project should accompany the note if at all possible. Some Thank You notes will have a deadline to be completed by. These deadlines will be announced in class and in the monthly newsletter.

Quality Counts Certification

*****For Fort Bend County and Major Shows*****

Texas has the largest number of 4-H and FFA livestock projects in the nation. Young people participate at the county, district, regional and state level.

With this opportunity comes a responsibility for each exhibitor to learn and demonstrate the highest standards, both in personal character and in the feeding and care of their animals. "Quality Counts" is designed to teach young people the importance of displaying good character in carrying out livestock projects, and in every aspect of their lives. "Quality Counts" helps them learn the importance of using proper livestock management practices so that food quality and safety are preserved.

Each student that exhibits a livestock project at a livestock show in the State of Texas must complete the online Quality Counts program. The website is <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>.

***** Katy ISD Exhibitors will be required to complete the Katy ISD Livestock Show FFA History and Showmanship Ethics through Canvas to meet show eligibility guidelines*****

FFA & Agriscience Department Code of Conduct

FFA Members should conduct themselves at all times to be a credit to their organization, chapter, school, community, and family. Requirements and Expectations at school and during all school sponsored activities are outlined below:

FFA Members Should:

1. Communicate in an appropriate manner.
2. Demonstrate good sportsmanship by being modest in winning and generous in defeat.
3. Respect the rights of others and their property.
4. Be courteous, honest, and fair with others.
5. Follow all Katy ISD school rules and Tompkins FFA Exhibitor and Facility Use Guidelines.

FFA Members Will Not:

1. Be a part of the robbery and theft.
2. Assault or vandalize people or their property.
3. Fight or be a part of a violent situation.
4. Use or be in the possession of fireworks or firearms of any type.
5. Be a part of sexual harassment situations.
6. Use unethical practices to show or exhibit their projects.
7. Partake, possess, or be under the influence of alcohol beverages.
8. Partake, possess, or be under the influence of tobacco.
9. Partake, possess or be under the influence of illegal substances.
10. Be involved in negative communication about others, including but not limited to spreading rumors, negatively portraying the chapter, its members, or advisors, or bullying in any form.

Consequences:

1. Notification of OTHS Administration and appropriate authorities.
2. Notification of the parent or guardian.
3. Removal of student from activity and potentially the Tompkins FFA chapter.
4. Removal of the animal or exhibit. The animal or exhibit will be declared ineligible for further participation in the event.
5. Upon returning to the school, consequences outlined in the Student Handbook will be enforced.

If you would like to join the Tompkins FFA, complete the following steps and pay the \$35 leadership fee payment (pay online on the A+ Pay N' Go website) by September 1st. If you have any questions, ask an Ag Teacher.

Steps to Become a Tompkins FFA Member!

Step 1:

Pay your \$35 Leadership fee A+ Pay N' Go website. Scan the code or click the link to pay online!



<https://katyisd.revtrak.net/high-schools/tompkins-high-school/oths-student-activity-clubs/oths-agricultural-science-ffa/#/list>

Step 2:

Fill out the “Parent/Guardian Authorization for Regular Extracurricular Travel” and the Tompkins FFA Membership Form, see both attached, turn it in to an advisor by September 1st.

Step 3:

Have a great year as a Tompkins FFA member!

Katy Independent School District

Parent/Guardian Authorization for Regular Extracurricular Travel

Student's Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Grade Level
Extracurricular Activity			School Year
Tompkins FFA			2023-2024

As the parent/guardian of the above-named student (or adult student), I grant permission for my child (or me) to travel and participate in all regularly/routinely scheduled activities of the designated extracurricular group for the current school year. I understand that all students are required to ride to and from all school-sponsored activities in District-provided transportation according to Board Policy FMG. An exception may be granted for a student to be released to the custody of his/her parent at the completion of the activity if a written request is received and approved prior to the trip. It is understood that a separate permission slip will need to be completed for any additional activities requiring travel in order for my child to participate.

It is understood that neither the Katy Independent School District, nor any of its trustees, officers, employees, or organization sponsors are liable for any accident or injuries that may occur to the above-named student as a result of any aspect of his/her participation on these trips.

I acknowledge that in case of an emergency, illness, or accident for which a parent cannot be reached, an attempt will be made to reach one of the emergency contact people listed below. However, if no one can be reached, I authorize the school officials to take whatever action is deemed necessary in their judgment, for the health of my child. I will be responsible for any cost in the event my child must be transported by ambulance and receive medical care.

Insurance Information

Insurance Company	
Policy Number	Group Number
Insured's Name	

Medical Information

Please note: My child has the following allergies/medical conditions and/or is currently taking the following medications:

Emergency Contact Information

PLEASE PRINT	
Emergency Contact	Relationship
Home Phone	Work Phone
Cell Phone	
Emergency Contact	Relationship
Home Phone	Work Phone
Cell Phone	
Emergency Contact	Relationship
Home Phone	Work Phone
Cell Phone	

Authorization

Parent's/Guardian's (or Adult Student's) Printed Name	Parent's /Guardian's (or Adult Student's) Signature	Date
Father's/Guardian's Home Phone	Father's/Guardian's Work Phone	Father's/Guardian's Cell Phone
Mother's/Guardian's Home Phone	Mother's/Guardian's Work Phone	Mother's/Guardian's Cell Phone

Payment Made Online with A+ Pay N' Go: ☐

Jr. FFA Member (check if applicable, payment by cash to advisor): ☐

2023-2024 Tompkins FFA Member Information Form

This form must be completed by the parent/guardian of each member. This form is required of all members of the FFA. This form must be updated yearly or if any of the information should change. Without this completed form your child may not be able to participate in the Tompkins FFA.

Student's Name: _____ **Current Grade:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **T Shirt Size:** SM M L XL 2XL 3XL

Parent / Guardian Names: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip Code:** _____

First Year Member? Yes No **Raising an Animal?** Yes No **If so, which species?** _____

First Year Members: How did you find out about Tompkins FFA? _____

FFA Member's Cell Phone: _____

FFA Member's E-mail Address: _____

Mother's / Guardian's Cell Phone: _____

Mother's / Guardian's E-mail Address: _____

Father's / Guardian's Cell Phone: _____

Father's / Guardian's E-mail Address: _____

FFA Website, Instagram, & Facebook Pages

In order for the Ag Teachers to recognize you (your student) via social media, website, FFA newsletter or in the newspaper you must check the Privacy Code Box (A) on the school's registration form. If you check anything other than that, we cannot recognize you (your student). This can also be changed by contacting the registrar.

Name and phone number of a relative or friend who can be contacted in case of emergency when parents / guardians are unavailable.

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Phone # _____

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Phone # _____

I have received a Tompkins FFA handbook and have read all the policies and suggestions within it.

This form must be signed and returned to the Ag Teachers before the student is permitted to participate in any activities of this organization.

Signature of Parent

Date

Signature of Student

Date

Membership Form - 2023-2024



Membership Link:

[23/24 Tompkins FFA Booster Membership Page](#)

We would like to extend an invitation to all families of Tompkins FFA students to join the Tompkins FFA Booster Club.

The Tompkins FFA Booster Club is made up of parents, guardians, and other family members of Tompkins FFA students, as well as our Ag Advisors, alumni, friends, and local businesses. As a booster club, it is our goal to support our Tompkins FFA students. Your dues, time and fundraising support will be used to fund such things as scholarships to qualifying seniors, travel expenses for competitions, leadership conferences, conventions; assistance with FFA events and activities; the purchase of equipment for our barn and shop supplies, trailer maintenance, support at the KISD Livestock show (student tent, project signs, etc.) and more.

The Booster Club meets monthly at the same time as the students have their FFA meeting and takes direction from the Ag Advisors as to what the greatest needs are for the chapter. Many of the listed expenses are not covered with school district funds.

Membership Levels: Payment Options are listed online after submitting information online.

Falcon: \$45 (new members receive a Pen Show Sign)

Bronze: \$100 (Falcon, plus recognition on Tompkins FFA Website)

Silver: \$250 (Bronze, plus recognition in the KISD FFA Ad Catalog)

Gold: \$500 (Silver, plus two Tompkins FFA short-sleeved t-shirts)

Platinum: \$1,000 (Gold, plus recognition in the OTHS tent at KISD livestock show and recognized as a sponsor at any fundraising event held this year).

We hope all of our FFA parents are excited to get involved. Just your membership alone is a great support and your time at any event throughout the year is supportive. We're looking forward to another great year.

The Tompkins FFA Booster Club (EIN 46-3487647) receives federal tax-exempt status through its membership in Parent Booster USA, Inc. (EIN 30-0281785). PBUSA is recognized by the IRS as a tax exempt organization and has been granted a group letter ruling allowing it to provide 501 (c)(3) status to its members. If your company matches donations we ask that you request a match. All donations are more than appreciated and benefit our FFA students.

Questions: ffatompkins@gmail.com More detailed information can be found at: tompkinsffanow.org under the Booster Club Tab.

Thank you for your support!

