

National FFA Alumni Association

How to Charter an Alumni Affiliate

To charter a **State FFA Alumni Association**, meet and maintain these qualifications:

- 1. Have at least 50 members who have paid national FFA Alumni member dues.
- 2. Have bylaws in harmony with the National FFA Alumni Bylaws.
- 3. Have an executive group with a designated membership chairperson.

To CHARTER or REACTIVATE a local FFA Alumni affiliate, meet and maintain these qualifications:

- 1. Have at least 10 members that will pay National FFA Alumni member dues and State FFA Alumni dues (if applicable).
- 2. Have current constitution/bylaws in harmony with the National FFA Alumni Bylaws.
- 3. Have a council of elected officers.
- 4. Complete the **Application for Chartering/Reactivating**.
- 5. Submit the completed **Application for Chartering/Reactivating** to your State FFA Alumni Association. Your State FFA Alumni Association will forward this form to the National FFA Alumni Association. Upon receipt of the application, the National FFA Alumni Association will officially charter or reactivate the affiliate. You will have 30 days to submit your initial roster using **Manage My FFA** on FFA.org and 30 days following submission of your membership to pay your membership dues invoice. After this has been completed you will then be issued a charter certificate and a scroll and allowed to apply to be a part of National FFA's 501c3 status.

Reasons to Have a Local FFA Alumni Affiliate

National FFA Alumni Affiliates work to:

- Support and promote the FFA Organization, FFA activities and agricultural education on local, state and national levels.
- Facilitate involvement and support of former members and others interested in FFA and agricultural education.
- Promote and maintain an appreciation of the American free enterprise system.
- Enhance the personal development aspect of FFA.
- Serve as advocates for FFA and Agricultural education on local, state and national levels.
- Utilize volunteer management tools provided by National FFA Alumni.

With the increased diversity of agricultural education programs, it is becoming more difficult for advisors/teachers to keep up with all the additional activities. Former FFA members and interested adults are a natural resource of help and support. Focus is on new technology in agriculture and agribusiness, therefore it is important to involve all types of people in your community. An FFA Alumni Affiliate can unify the local community to support agricultural education and FFA activities and provide valuable assistance to agriculture advisors and help with the work/life balance of their profession. With the FFA Advisor coordinating activities, the Alumni can provide time, talents and financial resources to ensuring success.