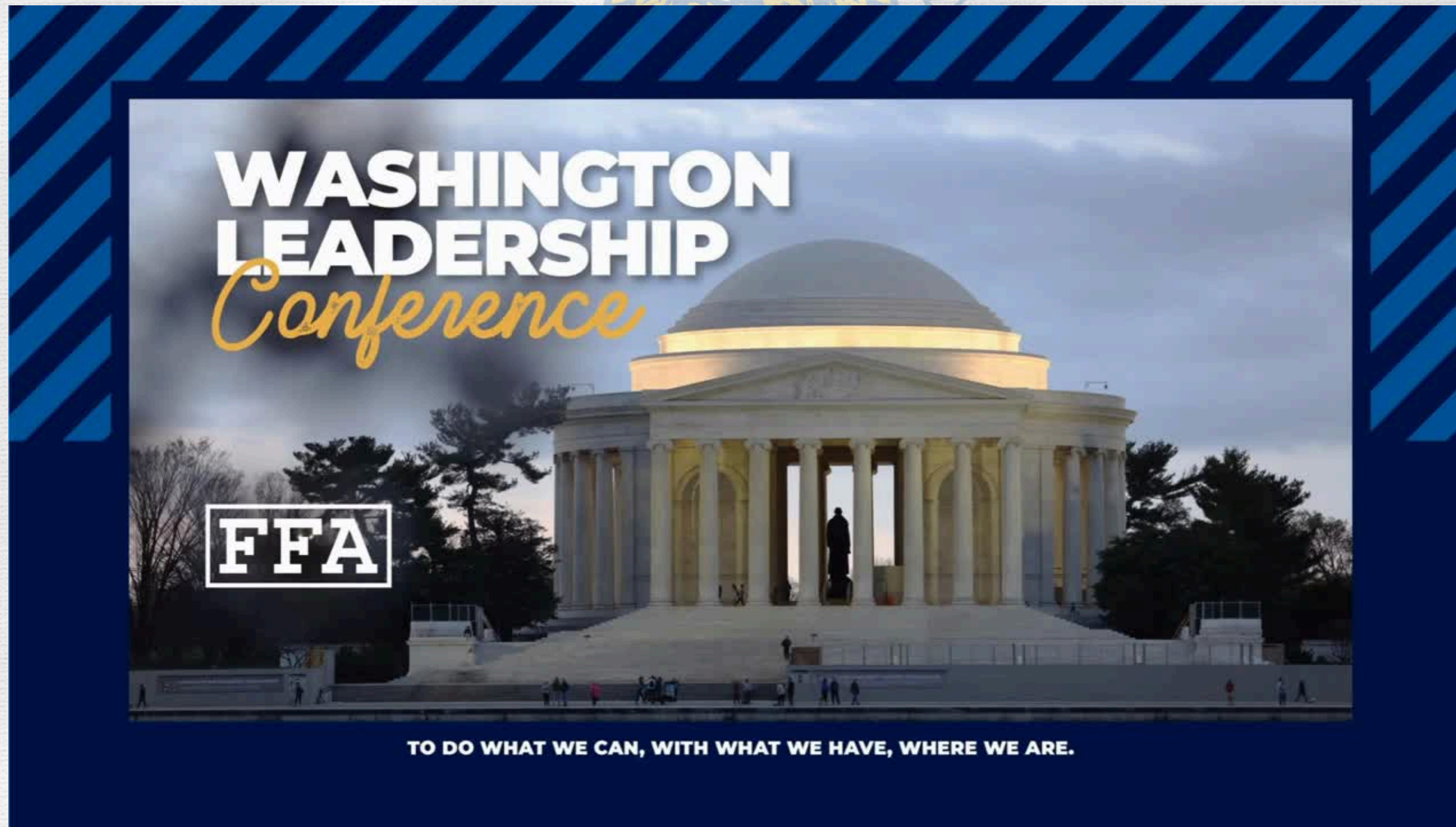




NATIONAL FFA WASHINGTON LEADERSHIP CAMP

Marble Falls FFA Proposal

WHAT IS WLC?



DATES & LOCATION

- **Washington D.C**
 - **Week Long Event**
 - Several Week Options
 - 2026: Each week in June and the first week in July
 - 2027: Dates to be determined
 - **Week Breakdown**
 - Monday: Travel to Washington
 - Tuesday - Friday: WLC
 - Saturday: Travel Home

WLC CURRICULUM

WLC inspires FFA members to become changemakers in their communities. Each day of the conference focuses on a different principle taught through the context of our nation's capital. These principles include exploration, encouragement, advocacy and service. At the end of the week, members leave with a Living to Serve Plan they can implement in their communities.



2026 SCHEDULE

2026 WLC STUDENT SCHEDULE

Dress	Tuesday	WE
Casual Dress	2:00-5:00 p.m.	Registration
	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Dinner
	6:30-7:45 p.m.	Session 1: Our Hope is in You! LG
	8:00-9:30 p.m.	Session 2: Community Matters CG
	9:30 – 9:45 p.m.	Reflections (LG)
	9:45 – 10:00 p.m.	Late Registration
	10:15 p.m.	Bed Checks
	10:30 p.m.	Lights Out
Dress	Wednesday	ME
Casual Dress	8:00 – 8:45 p.m.	Breakfast
	8:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Session 3: Why Are We Here? (CG)
	10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Session 4: Preparing for Advocacy (LG)
	11:30 – 12:15 p.m.	Lunch
	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Session 5: Exploring Our Passions and Beliefs (CG)
	2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Session 6: Understanding Needs Globally (LG)
WLC T-Shirt with Casual Bottoms	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Night Tour Preparation
	4:00 – 4:45 p.m.	Picnic Dinner w/ Entertainment
	5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Night Tour of Washington, D.C.
	10:30 p.m.	Bed Checks
	10:45 p.m.	Lights Out

Dress	Thursday	DO
Official Dress	7:15-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
	7:45-8:00 a.m.	Capitol Context
	8:15-9:15 a.m.	Travel to Capitol
	9:15-9:30 a.m.	Group Photo Capitol Steps (Time may vary based on metro travel)
	9:45-12:15 p.m.	U.S. Capitol experience (Time may vary based on metro travel)
	12:15-1:15 p.m.	Travel to Hotel
Casual Dress	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Lunch
	3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Session 7: Charting Our Service Course (CG)
	4:15-5:15 p.m.	Session 8: Building our LTS Team and Reaching Our Goals (LG)
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	Session 9: Planning for Action (CG)
	7:15-8:00 p.m.	Dinner
	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Building Community (LG)
	9:00 – 9:45 p.m.	Community Group Time & Reflections (CG)
	10:00 p.m.	Bed Checks
	10:15 p.m.	Lights Out
Dress	Friday	SERVE
WLC T-Shirt with Casual Bottoms (closed-toed shoes required for service project)	8:15 – 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast
	9:15-11:00 a.m.	Service Project
	11:00-Noon	Lunch
	Noon-12:15 p.m.	Arlington Option: Context
	12:15-1:15 p.m.	Travel to Arlington Metro Stop
	1:15-3:15 p.m.	Arlington Experience
	3:15-3:45 p.m.	Travel to Smithsonian Metro Stop
	3:45-5:45 p.m.	Free Time in the City
	12:15-12:30 p.m.	Smithsonian Option: Context
	12:30-1:15 p.m.	Travel to Smithsonian Metro Stop
	1:15-3:15 p.m.	Smithsonian Museum Experience
	3:15-5:45 p.m.	Free Time in the City
	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Travel to Omni Hotel (whole conference)
	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Dinner
	7:45-9:15 p.m.	Session 10: Take the Chair CG
	9:30-10:15 p.m.	Session 11: We Will Celebration LG
	10:15-10:45 p.m.	Reflections LG
	10:45 p.m.	Bed Checks
	11:00 p.m.	Lights Out

2026 SESSIONS & OBJECTIVES

Washington Leadership Conference Sessions & Objectives

Day 1 Theme - WE

Session 1: Large Group: Our Hope is in YOU!

- Explain the overview of the WLC experience.
- Identify at least three expectations of WLC.
- Define changemaker.
- Explain what a "Living to serve plan" includes.

Session 2: Community Group: Community Matters

- Discuss specific things about each member of their community group.
- Develop and display their Community Group Identity.
- Commit to five principles of WLC and the Bill of Rights

Day 2 Theme - ME

Session 3: Community Group: Why Are We Here?

- Explore the WLC Timeline
- What is a need?
- Analyze how serving others functions as an act of leadership.

Session 4: Large Group: Preparing for Advocacy

- Define advocacy.
- Identify the eight characteristics of an effective advocate.
- Identify specific ways to advocate for FFA.

Session 5: Community Group: Exploring Our Passions and Values

- Discover three core beliefs they have about themselves, the world, and the future.
- Select a need and develop a mission statement for their LTS plan.

Session 6: Large Group: Understanding Needs Globally

- Recognize the power of local service.
- Understand the scale of global needs.
- Articulate the importance of taking action.

City Visit: Night Tour

- Drawing from the experience of seeing the National Monuments, give examples of the importance of exploring beliefs, values, attitudes, and behaviors.

Day 3 Theme - DO

City Visit - Capitol Hill

- Drawing from the experience at Capitol (or surrounding buildings) and Congressional Visits, share the importance of advocacy.

Session 7: Community Group: Charting Our Service Course

- Select a need for their LTS plans.
- Develop a mission statement for their LTS plan.

Session 8: Large Group: Building our LTS Team and Reaching Our Goals

- Set at least three SMART goals for their LTS plan.
- Identify community partners for their LTS plan.
- Create a timeline for their LTS plan.
- Determine action steps and materials for their LTS plan.

Session 9: Community Group: Planning for Action

- Outline their final LTS plans.

Day 4 Theme - SERVE

City Visit - Arlington National Cemetery

- Students will explore the beliefs and values of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.
- Students will reflect on their own personal beliefs and values and apply those to their LTS plans

OR

City Visit - National Mall Museums

Draw from the experience of visiting Arlington National Cemetery and give examples of how the site's dedication to service, sacrifice, and remembrance can inspire reflection on one's own commitment to serving others.

Session 10: Community Group:- Take the Chair

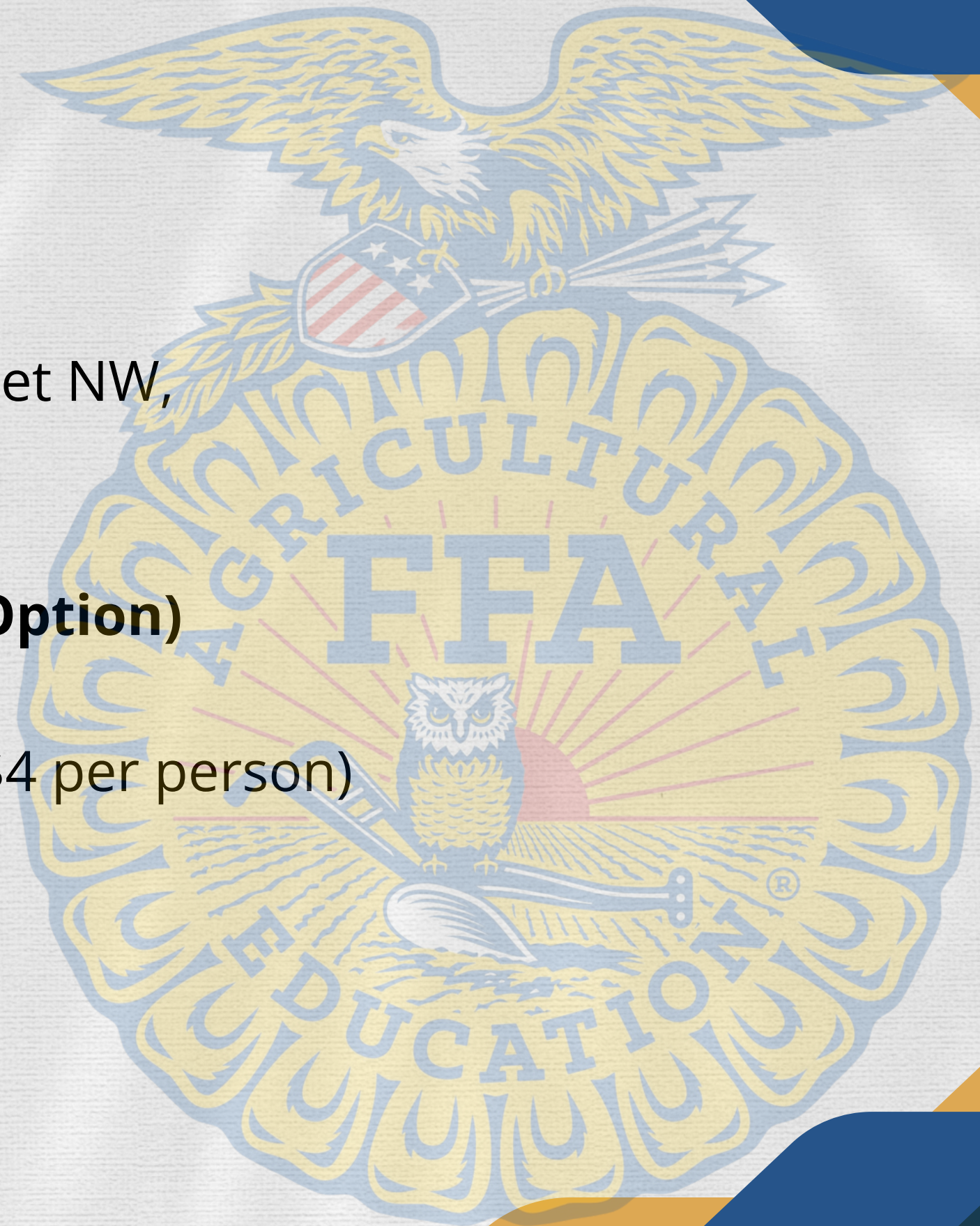
- Reflect on the WLC experience.
- Discover FFA funding and badging opportunities.
- Describe how WLC has changed them as a person.

Session 10: Large Group: "We WILL" Celebration

- Describe being a changemaker using the concepts Explore, Encourage, Advocate, and Serve.

TRAVELING PLANS

- Omni Shoreham Hotel (2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, D.C 20008)
- Airport Options:
 - **Ronald Reagan Washington (Best Option)**
 - 8 miles from Omni
 - METRO transportation to Omni (\$4 per person)
 - Washington Dulles International
 - Baltimore-Washington International



2026 WLC AIR, RAIL, & ROAD TRAVEL

WASHINGTON LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TRAVEL INFORMATION

Updated: 9/24/2025

Traveling to/from The Conference

Conference participants are responsible for booking their travel arrangements and ground transportation to/from the Omni hotel.

Notes:

Travel Assistance: Please see all information below regarding travel to/from the Omni. Should you experience unexpected travel delays, please email wlc@ffa.org to update staff on your anticipated arrival time.

SmarTrip (metro) cards: Metro fares (SmarTrip Cards) can be purchased from self-service machines outside all Metro stations for a one-time \$2 charge plus the cost of the fare. The SmarTrip cards are reloadable, and you only pay the \$2 the first time. The fare for this Metro ride is approximately \$3-\$4 per person (plus \$2 for SmarTrip card).

Staff availability during travel: WLC staff will **not** be stationed at any airport, metro or train station to greet participants.

Travel by Air

WLC participants are encouraged to fly into Ronald Reagan Washington National (DCA) Airport. Washington Dulles International (IAD) Airport or Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport are also options. Transportation options to the Omni hotel are listed below for all three airports.

Traveling as an Unaccompanied Minor (Age 15 or younger): Parents/Guardians of conference attendees age 15 or younger traveling without an accompanying adult should contact their airline regarding unaccompanied minor traveling status. Depending on age and traveling status, some airlines may require designating a pick-up person for the child to be released upon arrival.

Conference staff is not permitted to pick up or drop off any conference participant from the airport.

Learn More: [When Kids Fly Alone](#) (U.S. Department of Transportation)

Ronald Reagan Washington National (DCA) Airport to/from the Omni hotel

The Omni hotel does **not** offer a shuttle service to/from Ronald Reagan Washington National (DCA) airport. The Omni hotel is approximately 8 miles from Ronald Reagan Washington National (DCA) airport.

Taxi: from Ronald Reagan (DCA) Airport - approximately \$20-\$30 for the 20-25-minute drive.

Metro: Reagan National (DCA) Airport offers convenient access to Washington, D.C.'s public transportation system, the Metro. The escalator to the Metro station at DCA airport is located in Terminal B only, lower level, near baggage claim #10.

You can use [WMATA's System Map](#), [WMATA's Trip Planner](#), Apple Maps or Google Maps for step-by-step instructions on traveling through the metro. Instructions are as follows:

- Take the Blue Line in the direction of Largo Town Center
- Exit the Blue Line train and transfer at the Metro Center metro station.
- Board the Red Line train in the direction of Shady Grove.
- Exit the Red Line train at the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station.
- Exit the metro station, and complete a 5-minute walk to the Omni Shoreham hotel. The hotel is located one block from the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station. Once you exit the Metro station via the escalators, turn right and go down the stairs. Turn left and walk to Calvert Street (one block). Cross the street, take a right and walk straight. The hotel will be on your left.

Washington Dulles International (IAD) Airport to/from the Omni Hotel

The Omni hotel does **not** offer a shuttle service to/from Washington Dulles International (IAD) Airport. The Omni hotel is approximately 30 miles from Washington Dulles International (IAD) Airport.

Taxi: from Washington Dulles (IAD) Airport – approximately \$80-\$90 for the 80-90-minute drive.

Metro: Access to the Metro at IAD is adjacent to Parking Garage 1, opposite the terminal.

- Take the Silver Line in the direction of Largo Town Center to the Farragut West Metro Station.
- Exit the Farragut West Metro Station and walk 0.1 miles North on 17th Street SW to the Farragut North Metro Station.
- Board the Red Line towards Shady Grove.
- Exit the Red Line train at the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station.
- Exit the metro station, and complete a 5-minute walk to the Omni Shoreham hotel. The hotel is located one block from the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station. Once you exit the Metro station via the escalators, turn right and go down the stairs. Turn left and walk to Calvert Street (one block). Cross the street, take a right and walk straight. The hotel will be on your left.

Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport to/from the Omni hotel:

The Omni hotel does **not** offer a shuttle service to/from Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport. The Omni hotel is approximately 38 miles away from Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport.

Transportation options at Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport to/from the Omni hotel:

Taxi: from Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport - \$110-\$125 for the 120-plus-minute drive.

Metro: Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) does NOT have direct access to the Metro.

Travel by AMTRAK Train or Greyhound Bus to Union Station to/from the Omni Hotel

Use the AMTRAK train to the Washington, D.C. (WAS) Union Station destination or via the Greyhound Bus to the Union Station destination. The Omni hotel does **not** offer a shuttle service to/from Union Station. The Omni hotel is approximately 8 miles from Union Station.

Taxi: from Union Station to Omni hotel - approximately \$20-\$30 for the 21-31-minute drive.

Metro:

- Locate the Union Station Metro station.
- Board the Red Line towards Shady Grove.
- Exit the Red Line train at the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station.
- Exit the metro station, and complete a 5-minute walk to the Omni Shoreham hotel. The hotel is located one block from the Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station. Once you exit the Metro station via the escalators, turn right and go down the stairs. Turn left and walk to Calvert Street (one block). Cross the street, take a right and walk straight. The hotel will be on your left.

Travel by Vehicle

WLC participants wishing to drive to the conference may go directly to the Omni Shoreham Hotel using the 2500 Calvert St., Washington, D.C. 20008 address for GPS/navigation systems and apps.

STUDENT PRICING BREAKDOWN

Student Conference Fee (\$975)

- Lodging
- Conference Materials (workbook, training materials, and other supplies)
- 2 Conference T-Shirts
- Meals
- Transportation during the program
- All scheduled tours
- \$50 nonrefundable fee

Group Flight & Transportation to Hotel (\$500-\$700)

- Round trip
- Metro transportation from airport to hotel

\$1,475 - \$1,675

CHAPERONE PRICING BREAKDOWN

Chaperone Conference Fee (\$1157)

- Lodging (shared w/ other chaperones)
- Meals
- Transportation during the program
- All scheduled tours
- \$50 nonrefundable fee

Group Flight & Transportation to Hotel (\$500-\$700)

- Round trip
- Metro transportation from airport to hotel

\$1,657- \$1,857

2026 PRICING

2026 WASHINGTON LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PRICING

Updated: 12/1/2025

StudentConferenceFeeStructure

PACKAGE TYPE	PRICE
Student Randomized Quad - A shared room with up to 3 other students of same-gender identification, conference materials, 2 conference T-shirts, meals, transportation during the program (Metrocard, bus, etc.), and all scheduled tours.	\$975
A \$50 nonrefundable registration fee will be charged per student/chaperone. Example: Student registrations are \$925 + \$50 nonrefundable reg. fee = \$975 Refunds are only calculated and determined for the registration cost.	

*All student registration packages include a participant workbook, training materials, supplies, meals, tours, lodging, transportation during the conference (Metro card), and two conference T-shirts.

Chaperone Conference Fee Structures

PACKAGE TYPE	PRICE
Chaperone Shared - A shared room with another registered chaperone of same-gender identification OR a requested guest (spouse, chaperone, etc.), meals, transportation during the program (Metrocard, bus, etc.), and all scheduled tours. NOTE: Guests (spouses, chaperones, etc.) should use this package to register for the conference.	\$1,157
Chaperone Private - A private room, meals, transportation during the program (Metrocard, bus, etc.), and all scheduled tours.	\$1,692
Room Only - A private room, <u>NO</u> meals, transportation during the program (Metrocard, bus, etc.), or tours included.	\$1,125
Child Add-On - Meals, transportation during the program (Metrocard, bus, etc.), and all scheduled tours for one child (ages 5-12). This is in addition to most of the advisor packages listed above. <u>*Must be purchased with a chaperone private package or 2 chaperone shared packages that are rooming together.*</u>	\$615
A \$50 nonrefundable registration fee will be charged per student/chaperone. Example: Student registrations are \$925 + \$50 nonrefundable reg. fee = \$975.00 Refunds are only calculated and determined for the registration cost.	

*Depending on the package you choose, the advisor registration fee may include training materials, supplies, meals, scheduled tours, lodging, meetings, webinars, sightseeing suggestions, and transportation during the conference.

RAISING FUNDS

- Payment: Fully on Students
- Marble Falls FFA Alumni Fundraising
 - Seitz Fundraising (Fall): Meat, Cookies, & Gifts
 - Spirit Nights
 - Etc.

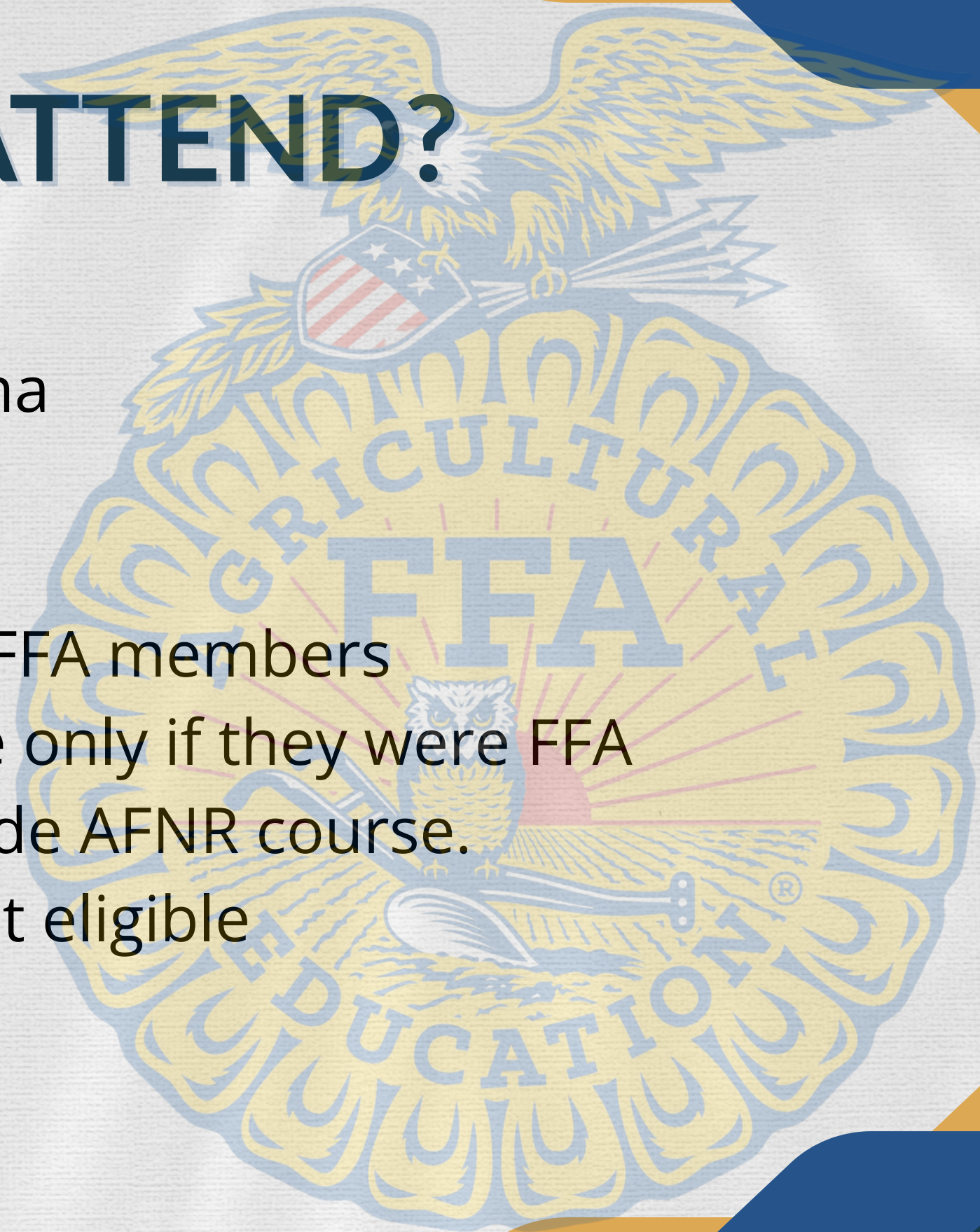


STUDENT OUTCOME

- Develop a personalized Living to Serve community service plan.
- Learn from national FFA and industry leaders.
- Collaborate with FFA members from across the United States.
- Explore leadership through service in Washington, D.C.
- Earn Texas FFA Scholarship conference and national community service points.
- Bring new chapter and community service ideas back to Marble Falls FFA.
- Strengthen our chapter's impact through servant leadership.
- Represent Marble Falls FFA at the national level.

WHO WILL ATTEND?

- FFA Advisor - Mrs. Ferguson-Kubena
- Administrator - TBD
- FFA Members
 - Active 2026-2027 Marble Falls FFA members
 - Incoming freshmen are eligible only if they were FFA members through their 8th grade AFNR course.
 - Class of 2027 graduates are not eligible



GETTING STARTED

- Parent Meeting (Tentative): September 15th @ 5:30pm
- Sign-Up Date Deadline (Tentative): October 1st

