

State FFA Officer Candidate Written Exam – 2008

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

DIRECTIONS

Write your name and chapter on the test AND the answer sheet provided. Please indicate the MOST correct answer for each question by marking the corresponding letter on the answer sheet. Please feel free to write on the test. At the conclusion of the test, turn in your answer sheet and test to the proctor.

Parliamentary Procedure

1. The motion to amend takes precedence over the motion to adjourn.
 - a. True
 - b. False**
2. The motion to suspend a standing rule requires a two-thirds majority vote.
 - a. True**
 - b. False
3. The gavel is tapped twice to stop discussion and seat members.
 - a. True
 - b. False**
4. Annual membership dues of the state FFA association are established by:
 - a. A majority vote of the executive committee of the state association
 - b. A majority vote of the board of directors of the National FFA Organization
 - c. A majority vote of the delegates at the state FFA convention**
 - d. The State Constitution of the state association
5. How many taps of the gavel follows the passing of a motion?
 - a. none
 - b. one**
 - c. two
 - d. three

Agricultural Knowledge

6. The _____ is a modern, streamlined information system that helps producers and animal health officials respond quickly and effectively to animal health events in the United States.
 - a. American Registration and Identification System
 - b. Department of Homeland Security
 - c. Farm Animal Information System
 - d. National Animal Identification System**
7. The current secretary of Agriculture is _____.
 - a. Chuck Conner
 - b. Mike Johanns
 - c. Ed Schafer**
 - d. Anne Venneman
8. The majority of the USDA budget is spent on _____.
 - a. Conservation Programs

- b. Farm Programs
 - c. Food and Nutrition Programs**
 - d. Forest Service
9. Agriculture and related industries (producing, processing, selling and trading the nations; food and fiber) employ more than _____ Americans -- _____% of the total US workforce.
- a. 21 million, 12
 - b. 21 million, 15**
 - c. 51 million, 12
 - d. 51 million, 15
10. What two countries are the largest trading partners with the US?
- a. Canada and China
 - b. Mexico and Canada**
 - c. Mexico and Japan
 - d. Japan and China

Education and Agricultural Education Knowledge

11. C. Coleman Harris retired from his position in agricultural education at the United States Department of Education after more than 30 years of service and was replaced by _____.
- a. Dr. Steve Brown**
 - b. Doug Loudenslager
 - c. Tony Small
 - d. Vernon Schweer
12. The current Kansas Commissioner of Education is _____.
- a. Dr. Mike Holen
 - b. Nelson Galle
 - c. Dr. Alexa Posny**
 - d. Dr. Jon Wefeld
13. The National FFA Organization has adopted a long-range strategic goal to have _____ quality programs by _____ with 100% FFA membership and 100% SAE participation.
- a. 10,000; 2010
 - b. 10,000; 2015**
 - c. 15,000; 2010
 - d. 15,000; 2015
14. This comprehensive approach to leadership training in the classroom is designed to help agricultural education teachers reach every student in every classroom, every day:
- a. LifeKnowledge**
 - b. National Ag Ed Program Standards
 - c. REV It Up!
 - d. Team Ag-Ed Learning Center
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 - c. Mexico and Japan
 - d. Japan and China

FFA Knowledge – FFA History and Current Events

16. The National FFA Organization established a new 29-year high for membership in 2006-2007 with _____ members in _____ chapters.
- 490,017; 7,210
 - 490,017; 7,223
 - 500,823; 7,358
 - 500,823; 7,223
17. Through the _____ program, 40 students, age 19-22, planning careers in production agriculture are chosen annually to attend an intensive 5-day seminar in focusing on such topics as farm financing, the global market place and risk management.
- FFA Global
 - Food for America
 - New Century Farmer
 - Risk Management Essay
18. Farmers, school officials, advisors and teachers, and others who help advance agricultural education and the FFA may be elected to _____ by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting or convention.
- Active Membership
 - Alumni Membership
 - Honorary Membership
 - VIP Citation
19. The first gathering of the New Farmers of America occurred in:
- 1926
 - 1928
 - 1932
 - 1935
20. According to the Official FFA Manual, all of the following are considered essentials of a successful FFA chapter **except**:
- Active Alumni Affiliate
 - Diversity of Membership
 - Proper Equipment and Records
 - School and Community Support
21. Which conference does Kansas FFA host that is specifically designed to focus on the student's individual leadership ability?
- Advanced Leadership Development
 - Chapter Officer Leadership Training
 - Leader Lab
 - State Conference for Chapter Leaders
22. In what year was the National FFA Foundation formed?
- 1928
 - 1944
 - 1950
 - 1971
23. The first national president of the NFA was _____.
- S.B. Simmons
 - David Simmons
 - Leslie Applegate
 - Walter S. Newman

24. The two cities announce earlier this spring to be considered as the host of the National FFA Convention beginning in 2013.
- Indianapolis & Nashville
 - Kansas City & Nashville
 - Kansas City & Louisville
 - Louisville & Indianapolis
25. State FFA Star award winners receive a plaque and _____.
- \$200
 - \$300
 - \$500
 - \$1000
26. Courses in vocational agriculture were first established under the Smith-Lever National Vocational Education Act.
- True
 - False
27. The highest recognition an individual or business can receive through the Kansas FFA Foundation is:
- Blue Sponsors
 - Five Star Sponsors
 - Gold Sponsors
 - Golden Star Sponsors
28. *FFA New Horizons* is published six times each year.
- True
 - False
29. On June 1, 1998, the Agricultural Education National Headquarters opened its doors in Alexandria, Virginia.
- True
 - False
30. The three divisions of chapter activities as recognized by the National Chapter Award program are:
- Chapter, State and National
 - Classroom, FFA and SAE
 - Leadership, Personal Growth and Career Success
 - Student, Chapter and Community
31. During a chapter visit, the advisor explains that the chapter's paraphernalia needs to be replaced. To which resource would you direct the advisor?
- The Core*
 - National FFA Blue Catalog*
 - National FFA Gold Catalog*
 - Ag Ed Resources Catalog*
32. The first National FFA Convention Chorus was established in 1947.
- True
 - False
33. The heart of the organization is at the local level.
- True
 - False
34. The National FFA Organization region with the largest number of state associations is the _____ region.
- Eastern
 - Western
 - Central
 - Southern

35. In the event that a local agricultural education program is discontinued, how long can the chartered FFA chapter continue to officially operate from the date of discontinuance?
- chapter charter is revoked at time of discontinuance
 - chapter may operate for up to 12 months
 - chapter may operate for up to 24 months
 - chapter may operate for up to 36 months
36. What is the 12-month period of National FFA active membership?
- January 1 – December 31
 - August 1 – July 31
 - September 1 – August 31
 - November 1 – October 31
37. The colors of the New Farmers of America were:
- Blue and Gold
 - Black, White, and Gold
 - Black, Blue, and Gold
 - Black and Gold
38. Which one of these is not a requirement for the Chapter FFA Degree?
- Must lead a group discussion for 15 minutes
 - Must have completed at least 180 hours of systematic school instruction in agricultural education
 - Must have earned and invested at least \$350 or worked at least forty-five hours in a supervised agricultural experience program
 - Must have demonstrated five procedures of parliamentary law
39. Chapter FFA membership rosters due to the State FFA Office on or before?
- January 15
 - May 15
 - September 1
 - September 30
40. There were 33 delegates at the first National FFA Convention. How many states did they represent?
- 17
 - 18
 - 22
 - 23
41. State FFA dues are how much?
- \$1.00
 - \$4.00
 - \$5.00
 - \$10.00
42. What amount were the original dues to the Future Farmers of America?
- \$.05
 - \$.10
 - \$.25
 - \$.50
43. Which paragraph of the creed includes the phrase “leadership from ourselves and respect from others?”
- Second Paragraph
 - Fourth Paragraph
 - Third Paragraph
 - Fifth Paragraph

44. In order to receive the State FFA Degree, a member must have been an active FFA member for at least:
- 12 months
 - 18 months
 - 24 months
 - 36 months
45. Public Law 740 was passed in _____ by Congress, which granted FFA its federal charter.
- 1948
 - 1949
 - 1950
 - 1951
46. Women were admitted into the National FFA Organization in _____.
- 1967
 - 1968
 - 1969
 - 1970
47. Which degree of FFA was added in 2000?
- Discovery
 - Endeavor
 - Explorer
 - Navigator
48. The letters "FFA" stand for _____ but the organization will be known and do business as the National FFA Organization.
- Future Farmer of America
 - FFA
 - National FFA Organization
 - Nothing
49. Local agricultural education programs should be designed to meet the needs of _____.
- Community.
 - Ag teacher interest and talents.
 - State standard requirements.
 - Wants of the local school board.
50. The FFA is:
- An extra-curricular activity
 - An intra-curricular activity
 - An organization for any youth interested in agriculture
 - Required by all agriculture students

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Answer Sheet

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Name **KEY** _____

1. _B__

2. _A__

3. _B__

4. _C__

5. _B__

6. _D__

7. _C__

8. _C__

9. _B__

10. _B__

11. _A__

12. _C__

13. _B__

14. _A__

15. _B__

16. _C__

17. _C__

18. _C__

19. _B__

20. _A__

21. _C__

22. _B__

23. _B__

24. _D__

25. _B__

26. _B__

27. _B__

28. _A__

29. _A__

30. _D__

31. _C__

32. _B__

33. _A__

34. _A__

35. _D__

36. _C__

37. _D__

38. _C__

39. _D__

40. _B__

41. _B__

42. _B__

43. _C__

44. _C__

45. _C__

46. _C__

47. _A__

48. _A__

49. _A__

50. _B__