

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA
IMPROMPTU CONTEST
2012 Sample Questions

Round One – Questions Round

1. FFA stands for “Future Farmers of America” does that mean you’re going to be a Farmer?
2. As an administrator I believe that are high school programs must prove to be rigorous and relevant to a student’s education. How does the agriculture program and FFA provide rigorous and relevant instruction?
3. How would you describe the value of Agriculture education to a peer who is not enrolled in the program?
4. Please explain the importance of the three ring model to the success of Agriculture Education in California.
5. Please recite the FFA mission statement, and provide examples of how the mission statement is accomplished in the everyday high school agriculture program.
6. Please explain the importance of the FFA emblem to agriculture education.
7. FFA students miss class for a wide variety of FFA activities, why should a general education teacher allow students to miss class for FFA activities?
8. If you could change the California FFA Association in one way what would it be?
9. What is the biggest Agriculture Issue in California?
10. How can FFA play a role in actively advocating the value of the Agriculture Industry?
11. A reporter approaches you at the State FFA Leadership conference please use the FFA mission statement, motto, portion of the creed etc. to provide the reporter with a sound byte on the importance of Agriculture Education and FFA.
12. Please describe the Leadership structure of the FFA.
13. Why should my student get involved in Agriculture Education?
14. Can Agriculture Education and FFA prepare my child for college?
15. The State FFA convention falls during the State Star Testing, how would you explain the State FFA Leadership Conference to a high school administrator that may convince them they should let your chapter participate.

Round Two – Keywords/Quote

Quotes

1. Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other. **John F. Kennedy**
2. Leadership is solving problems. The day soldiers stop bringing you their problems is the day you have stopped leading them. They have either lost confidence that you can help or concluded you do not care. Either case is a failure of leadership. **Colin Powell**
3. Effective leadership is putting first things first. Effective management is discipline, carrying it out. **Stephen Covey**
4. Leadership is influence. **John C. Maxwell**
5. Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you must be without one, be without the strategy. **Norman Schwarzkopf**
6. The farmer is the only man in our economy who buys everything at retail, sells everything at wholesale, and pays the freight both ways. **John F. Kennedy**
7. I know of no pursuit in which more real and important services can be rendered to any country than by improving its agriculture, its breed of useful animals, and other branches of a husbandman's cares. **George Washington**
8. Farming looks mighty easy when your plow is a pencil, and you're a thousand miles from the corn field. **Dwight D. Eisenhower**

Keywords

9. Leadership
10. Advocacy
11. Influence
12. Inspire
13. Cultivate
14. Agriculture
15. Propagate