

Officer Code of Ethics

All FFA Chapter Officers will be placed on behavior contracts for any of the offenses listed below. The Chapter Officer is allowed two chances to improve their behavior, with the third offense resulting in removal from the team.

Offenses:

- Not following the FFA Code of Ethics
- Unexcused absences: Anything but an illness or family emergency.

Offenses resulting in immediate removal from Chapter Officer Team:

- Use and/or possession of alcohol or drugs.
- Use and/or possession of tobacco.
- Stealing or possession of stolen goods.
- Use and/or possession of weapons.
- Defiance of advisor, administrator or other teacher.
- Slandering a fellow officer, chapter member or an advisor on social media or other platform.
- Failing to keep grades above a 2.0 GPA, more than twice in a school year.
- Fighting.

Parent and/or officer has the right to request a hearing regarding this action. The hearing will be held as soon as possible with a panel consisting of an administrator, advisor, officer's counselor, and one teacher. The officer and parent will be given the opportunity to present reasons for this action to be voided. The decision of the panel will be final.

I _____, hereby approve of my son/daughter, _____, running/becoming a Schulenburg FFA Chapter Officer for the 2020-2021 school year. I realize that s (he) is responsible for their officer duties and will uphold them to the best of their ability. I further understand my child is required to be at all executive committee meetings, on time, or will fall subject to the penalties associated with absence and tardiness. I am aware that repeated absences (no more than three) from official officer functions will result in my student's early dismissal from the officer team. **His/her presence at the officer retreat is mandatory!**

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

I understand I am responsible for my duties as a chapter officer and will uphold them to the best of my ability. I further understand I am required to be at all executive committee meetings, on time, or will fall subject to the fees associated with absence and tardiness. I am aware that repeated absences from required functions will result in my being dismissed from the officer team early. **My presence at the officer retreat is mandatory!**

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Schulenburg FFA Chapter Officer Contract

As a chapter officer, it is my responsibility along with my team to ensure that our chapter is runs smoothly. While our advisors are here to help the officer team, it is ultimatley our responsibility.

As an officer of the Schulenburg FFA I will work to up hold the following and knowing that by not doing my part, I am not only letting down my chapter and my officer team but also myself.

Area One: THIS IS IT!

- **BE ON TIME** for all meetings, activities, and departure times.
- Write dates for activities down in a planner.
- Keep our team and my office as a priority.
- Attend all officer meetings, seminar, and night meetings.
- Attend all activities that I am able. If I cannot attend, let other officers/advisors know ahead of time, at least 24 hours.
- **BE RESPONSIBLE** by staying on task and sticking to the agenda at meetings.
- Always support each other...look for ways to help lighten my fellow officer's load.
- When you need help... ask for it!
- **NEVER** wait until the last minute to complete your assignments.

Area Two: LIVING ABOVE THE LINE

- Be honest with each other and be open to others honesty.
- Be discreet! Keep our business within the group. Communication is key... to air likes, dislikes, and other issues.
- Do not talk behind the back of my fellow officers, including social media.
- **COMMUNICATE** with advisors!
- Keep my family informed of what I am/our team is doing.
- Approach my teammates appropriately, no need for hostility.
- Encourage ALL members and take the time to get to know ALL members.
- Step away from cliques...meet and learn about new people.
- Be a resource to members and their parents.
- Always be courteous and respectful to all members and advisors 100% of the time and maintain a positive attitude.
- **NEVER**... tell members or friends how important **YOU** are!
- **NEVER**... use the word "I" or allow your individual ego to interfere with the functioning of the team.

Area Three: PAY IT FORWARD

- Help my fellow officers, the members, and our chapter.
- Maintain a community focuses with activities and/or community service.
- Develop creative ideas to get members involved.
- Be involved ourselves. Be an example.
- Always wear proper official dress.
- Communicate a positive attitude about wearing official dress.
- Wear appropriate clothing to all events.
- Conduct myself in an appropriate manner at FFA events and outside FFA.
- Treat all members equally.
- **BE BRAVE** and step **out** of my comfort zone.
- Provide constructive criticism for my teammates and fellow members.
- Member focused attitude/actions; **IT IS ALWAYS ABOUT THEM, ALWAYS.**
- Be enthusiastic at all times. (You never know who is watching!)
- Get members to buy-in.
- Give 100% effort!
- Learn how to be an effective leader and still have fun
- **REMEMBER:** "The task ahead of you is never as great as the power behind you!"

I have read, studied and understand the intent and the spirit of the three areas to our chapter officer team's success. I will commit to modeling the three areas of success for my teammates and for our chapter members. I further understand that failure to comply to the guideline/expectations may result in my early dismissal from the team.

Student Signature

Date

I have read, and understand, the "Schulenburg FFA Chapter Officer Contract" applies to my child, and if my child is in violation in any of these guidelines/expectations, he or she may be dismissed from the officer team.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date