

# Fall Leadership Workshops – Frequently Asked Questions

## REGISTRATION AND WORKSHOPS

### **How do I register FFA members?**

Log in into your Wisconsin FFA Chapter account. You will need your Username and Password (*Hint.... this is your chapter number for both*) There will be a section labeled “Fall Leadership Workshops”. Click on the Registration Site and input the total number of members attending breakout sessions, connection rooms, and individual workshops for each day they intend on participating.

### **Can a chapter register for multiple days and times?**

We have created the Fall Leadership Workshops so a chapter advisor can sign up for as many days and times that work for their members. We are not limiting this by section. There will be limits placed on the number of people in each workshop, so we keep participant numbers manageable for the state officers. We are planning around 40 people per individual workshop. The online registration system will indicate if a workshop is full.

### **What if I really need my members to participate in a time that might be full?**

Just contact Mrs. Zimmerman and we will work with you to get the time you need for the size group you want to participate.

### **What is the difference between registering for a Breakout Session vs. Individual Workshops?**

When you register for a “Breakout Session” the members will be a part of a series of workshops for about 2 hours. They will be randomly assigned to workshop breakout rooms and have the chance to participate in at least 3 different workshops.

If the members aren’t able to participate in a 2-hour block and need flexibility in scheduling or they would like to select the workshops they would like to participate in, you can sign members up for the individual workshops.

### **What if my members participated in the breakout session but want to participate in all 5 of the workshops and not just three?**

You can register as many members as you would like for “individual workshops”. We can provide you with the links to the individuals workshops and members can tune into the workshops they have not attended yet.

### **What if I want to have members participate during the school day or as part of my class?**

Friday, November 13, and Thursday November 19 are set up so that these days have all individual workshops that members can participate in during the day. That way you can select the times and workshops you want your members to connect with. We are not doing breakout sessions those days so we can provide flexibility for members that might only be available for a short amount of time.

### **What if I cannot get members to participate during the weekday?**

We are also offering a Saturday Option for members to participate in workshops. There is a morning option and an afternoon option. Also make sure to check out the evening workshop options that we have for members to tune in.

### **How will members receive the Zoom links for each of the workshop(s)?**

Advisors will receive an email from the Wisconsin FFA Center with all of the Zoom Links for the workshops and connections rooms they signed up for. The document with the Zoom links is confidential information and should only be shared with the members that were registered.

### **Are there specific workshops for certain members?**

Fall Leadership Workshops are focused on any FFA member Grades 9 through 12. Chapter Presidents have a specific workshop just for them! The Chapter President workshop has a different link than the rest of the workshops.

Note: We are planning other workshops for Middle School members later.

## **TECHNOLOGY**

### **What equipment do students need for FLWs?**

Students should have the following items:

1. Computer with camera
2. Earbuds with microphone

### **What platform will the workshops be hosted on?**

All Fall Leadership Workshops will be hosted using the **Zoom platform**. Please use this link, <https://zoom.us/test>, to test your audio/video capabilities of your computer. Reach out to your district IT department for help to get the website unblocked for during Fall Leadership Workshops.

### **Will members need to each have their own computer?**

Yes, we highly recommend that members each have their own computer.

Members will be participating in different workshops and this will work much better if they each have their own individual device.

Especially if the member is participating in the break out room sessions. We ask that they identify themselves with their first name and chapter. The host of the Zoom

Conference will move members into specific break out rooms and we hope to divide chapters up as much as possible during these workshops.

### **What if I want my class to participate in a workshop?**

Again, you can have each student in your class tune into a workshop. Or have the whole class listen in on one workshop. Totally up to you. Just register so we can provide you with a link and then you can connect your class to the workshop. Please note in this case that there may be a combination of individuals on the Zoom call and classes tuning in.

## **Do members need to have their camera turned on?**

It is highly recommended to have their computer camera turned on to help engage the members more, but we understand if this is not accessible.

## **PRE-SESSION/OPENING SESSION:**

### **Can you watch the LIVE Pre-Session and Opening Session as a group?**

Yes! The whole chapter can watch it together if you are in the same room or each member can individually watch on their computer, but please make sure all members are in the waiting room for the Zoom link and the chapter presidents are in their waiting room before the Opening Session!

### **What is all in the pre session and opening session?**

The pre-session will be a jammed packed 15 minutes of fun activities for students to participate in and get them excited for the night! You WILL NOT want to miss it- we promise!

The opening session will include:

- Welcome from the State Officers
- Message from the FFA Alumni
- State Officer Skit
- Message from State President, Joe Schlies
- Important Workshop Instructions

### **Will there be a pre-session and opening session for the individual workshops?**

Pre-session and Opening session will only be aired at the designated times on the schedule. They are listed below:

- November 11: 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
- November 12: 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
- November 4: 9:00 am – 9:40 pm and 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
- November 16: 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
- November 17: 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
- November 18: 3:45 pm – 4:25 pm

### **Will each state officer have a welcome speech this year?**

Yes...each state officer has prepared a special message for members during the Fall Leadership Workshops. We will be highlighting these messages on Facebook at designated times – Make sure to review the schedule. We will also be posting them on the FFA website so you can review them at a later time.

### **Where can I watch the pre session and opening session if I missed it?**

The pre-session and opening session will be posted on the Wisconsin FFA- FLW Page at the conclusion of Fall Leadership Workshops on November 19.

## **STATE OFFICER AND MEMBER CONNECTION ROOMS**

### **What are the connection rooms?**

Members can participate in Connection Room experiences during Fall Leadership Workshops. These rooms will give members a chance to get to know the state officers more, meet, connect, and learn from FFA members across the state. This is great time for sharing ideas with other FFA members.

### **How do you sign up for a connection room?**

Advisors can sign members up through the registration website for each date.

### **When are the connection rooms taking place?**

Connection rooms will be taking place at **6:45 pm- 7:40 pm** on the following dates:

November 11, 12, 16, 17, 18

Make sure to check the schedule.

Saturday evening, we will have a connection room with the entire state officer team.

### **Do students only meet with the state officers from their section in the connection rooms?**

Members can participate in as many of the state officer connection rooms as they would like. We are not limiting it to sections. But we do recommend that students from the state officer's section connect at the time their state officer is assigned if they want to visit with their state officer.

## **OTHER QUESTIONS**

### **Will there be a spirit stick this year?**

Yes! Be sure members are active in all the workshops to compete for the spirit stick! Each section will be competing for their spirit stick.

### **How will we find out about the spirit stick award winners?**

The spirit stick award winners will be announced during the closing session which will be released on November 20. Tune into the FLW Page on the Wisconsin FFA website.

### **I have alumni members that want to participate in the alumni workshops, what do I do?**

Advisors need to register the number of alumni members that plan to participate in the alumni workshops. Cheryl Steinbach, State FFA Alumni Executive Director, will provide the link to those chapter advisors who have alumni members signed up. Chapter advisors can then forward the link to their alumni members.