

HALL OF STATES

PURPOSE: Hall of States exhibits will develop pride for members from that state as well as introduce nonresidents to the traditions of others states and expose all show attendees to America's agricultural diversity. Through preconvention publicity these exhibits will encourage even more students to come through the show.

WHO: Exhibits may be developed by a chapter, an FFA Alumni group or other state groups or sponsors. The National FFA Organization can work with the appropriate contact in helping make arrangements for the booth. Contact: Jack Pitzer, Manager, Career Show, 888-332-2589 or E-mail: careershow@aol.com.

WHAT: Some examples of what the exhibits might be designed to portray include:

- The crops especially noted for the state;
- New innovations in the state such as aquaculture or urban forestry;
- Specialty foods native to the region or products popular in the state;
- How the state's agriculture is serving the urban food markets;
- Environmental and conservation efforts in the state;
- How FFA/agricultural education provides training to meet the needs of the agricultural industry in the state;
- Production records of crops or livestock or agri-industry in the state; or
- The diverse marketing options in the state such as barge, ship or rail.

FUNDING: Many states have worked with state departments of agriculture, tourism and convention bureaus, state commodity groups, and state agricultural organizations for support to get a quality exhibit to the show. The support has been financial (for shipping, equipment, signs, photos), transportation, or in kind (for samples, products). Some sponsors have even helped set up the booth.

SPACE AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED: One booth 8 feet deep by 10 feet wide will be provided at no charge to the state association. (No additional booths are available this year.) Each booth comes equipped with standard eight-foot high cloth backdrop, two 42-inch high side panels, and one nine inch by thirty-six inch identification sign with the state's name. The National FFA Organization will provide upon request, one eight foot draped table and one chair. All other equipment and service expenses such as tack boards, additional tables or electricity will be the obligation of the state and can be ordered in advance from the exhibitor's kit which will be mailed to all states who request a booth.

LOCATION: The Hall of States will be in a carpeted hall in 2006 (Maryland Street West Lobby). It is adjacent to the rest of the Career Show. States will not need to order carpet for their booth.

RULES: All activities should be confined to the limits of the exhibit booth. Displays may not be placed in such a manner as to interfere with other exhibits. Signs and posters shall be confined to the booth. Selling is strictly prohibited. Official dress is required.

INSTALLATION AND TIME SCHEDULE: The Hall of States exhibit will be held in conjunction with the National FFA Convention, at the Indiana Convention Center.

<u>Exhibit Set-up:</u>	Tuesday, Oct. 24, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 25, 8 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
<u>Show Hours:</u>	Wednesday, Oct. 25, 12:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 26, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; and Friday, Oct. 27, 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.
<u>Exhibit Tear-down:</u>	Must be taken down between 5 and 9:30 p.m. on Friday, October 27th.

Please return the application form to the address indicated by July 1st.

**2006 APPLICATION FOR STATE FFA EXHIBIT
IN THE HALL OF STATES**

We are interested in exhibiting in the Hall of States at the FFA National Agricultural Career Show, to be held in conjunction with the next national FFA convention.

State FFA Association: _____

Individual responsible for exhibit: _____

Mailing address: _____

Name of School or Organization

Street or P. O. Box

City, State, Zip

Phone: _____ **FAX:** _____ **Email:** _____

I agree to abide by the policies for Hall of States exhibits set forth and will to the best of my ability enforce these policies with those working in our state booth. I understand our state is responsible for all costs related to our booth:

Signature _____ **Title** _____

The National FFA Organization will provide one table (8 feet long and draped) and a chair in the 8-foot deep x 10-foot wide booth with an association sign. Please indicate if you need a table and chair:

TABLE: **Yes ()** **No ()** **CHAIR:** **Yes ()** **No ()**

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