



National Officer Candidate Schedule - Tentative -

Sunday, October 19, 2008

1:00 - 1:30 pm

Welcome and Orientation

Pennsylvania Station - Crowne Plaza Hotel

Welcome to the Selection Process

Andy Seibel, Adult Chair, National FFA Nominating Committee

Welcome and Introductions

National FFA Nominating Committee Members and Adult Consultants

Overview of Schedule and Expectations

Andy Seibel, Adult Chair, National FFA Nominating Committee

Overview of Sponsor Interaction

Josh Bledsoe, National FFA Staff

1:45 - 5:45 pm

Written Test

Pennsylvania Station - Crowne Plaza Hotel

Multiple Choice and Essay Question Test

Don Sligar, 2nd Year Adult Consultant, National FFA Nominating Committee

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Welcome Dinner

Illinois Street Ballroom-Crowne Plaza Hotel

Hosted by the National Officers, Board of Directors, Organization Leadership, and Nominating Committee

8:30 - 9:30 pm

Nominating Committee & National Officer Candidate Photos

Illinois Street Ballroom-Crowne Plaza Hotel

9:30 - 10:30 pm

Debrief of Saturday (October 25, 2008) Activities

National FFA Officers

Illinois Street Ballroom – Crowne Plaza Hotel

Interview Schedules for Monday will be posted in the hallway outside of the Union Station Conference Center following the evening's activities.



Monday, October 20, 2008

Candidates will report fifteen minutes prior to their scheduled interview or SAE Writing Exercise room. Candidates should pay close attention to when their group is in either **One-on-One Interviews** or the **SAE Writing Exercise** and report to the designated room as directed on the schedule posted Sunday evening.

8:00am-9:45pm

One-on-One Interviews

Holding Room: L&N - Union Station Conference Center

Interview Rooms: New York Central; C&O; and Milwaukee - Union Station Conference Center

- 10 minute interview with each nominating committee member
- 5 minutes between each interview for committee members to score

SAE Writing Exercise

B&O Room - Union Station Conference Center

- 1 hour 30 minutes to complete the exercise

8:00-10:00am

One-on-One Interviews - Group A

SAE Writing Exercise - Group E

10:15-12:15pm

One-on-One Interviews - Group B

SAE Writing Exercise - Group A

12:15-1:30pm

Nominating Committee Lunch

1:45-3:45pm

One-on-One Interviews - Group C

SAE Writing Exercise - Group B

4:00-6:00pm

One-on-One Interviews - Group D

SAE Writing Exercise - Group C

6:00-7:30pm

Nominating Committee Dinner

7:45-9:45pm

One-on-One Interviews - Group E

SAE Writing Exercise - Group D



Tuesday, October 21, 2008

7:00am-5:30pm

Stand & Deliver Practicum

Holding Room: L&N - Union Station Conference Center

Prep Room: Milwaukee Room - Union Station Conference Center

Interview Room: New York Central - Union Station Conference Center

- 20 minutes focused on individual's ability to plan, organize and prepare a spoken presentation
- 5 minutes focused on individual's ability to deliver spoken presentation for context
- 5 minutes focused on individual's ability to respond accurately to questions regarding topic and presentation
- 2 minutes between candidates for nominating committee to score
- No outside resources allowed

7:00 - 10:00 am

Stand & Deliver Practicum (13 candidates complete practicum)

10:15-12:00pm

Stand & Deliver Practicum (8 candidates complete practicum)

12:00-1:00 pm

Nominating Committee Lunch

12:40-3:00 pm

Stand & Deliver Practicum (10 candidates complete practicum)

3:00-3:15 pm

Nominating Committee Break

3:15-5:30 pm

Stand & Deliver Practicum (10 candidates complete practicum)

5:30-6:30 pm

Nominating Committee Dinner

8:30-9:00 pm

Announcement of Finalists

Candidates Only – New York Central – Union Station Conference Center
Dr. Larry Case, National FFA Organization Advisor

Candidates Support Groups – Illinois Street Ballroom – Crowne Plaza

Please note that all candidates will need to check out of their rooms by 12:00 PM on Tuesday, October 21. You can store your luggage in the Grand Central Station, C, D-Crowne Plaza Hotel, until you receive your new rooming assignment. Following the announcement, all candidates will receive a new rooming assignment for the remainder of the week.

Interview Schedules for Wednesday will be posted in the hallway outside of the Union Station Conference Center following the announcement.



Wednesday, October 22, 2008

7:00am-2:30pm

Facilitation Practicum

Holding Room: L&N - Union Station Conference Center

Prep Room: B&O Room - Union Station Conference Center

Interview Room: New York Central - Union Station Conference Center

- 1 hour to plan, prepare and organize using materials provided
- 10 minutes focused on candidates ability to influence through facilitated presentation in front of realistic audience
- 5 minutes for nominating committee to score

7:00-10:00 am

Facilitation Practicum (8 candidates complete practicum)

10:15-12:15 pm

Facilitation Practicum (8 candidates complete practicum)

12:15-1:15 pm

Nominating Committee Lunch

12:15-2:45 pm

Facilitation Practicum (6 candidates complete practicum)

3:00-8:00 pm

Round Robin Stakeholder Conversations

Holding Room: L&N – Union Station Conference Center

Interview Rooms: Milwaukee; C&O; New York Central – Union Station Conference Center

- Three rotations - 10 minutes each
- Each 10 minute rotation is focused on candidate's ability to carry on conversation regarding key issues and topics with the adult resource person

3:00-3:40 pm

Group A - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

3:40-4:20 pm

Group B - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

4:20-5:00 pm

Group C - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

5:00-5:40 pm

Group D - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

6:00-6:40 pm

Group E - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

6:40-7:20 pm

Group F - Round Robin Conversations (3 candidates)

7:20-8:10 pm

Group G - Round Robin Conversations (4 candidates)



Wednesday, October 22, 2008 Cont.

8:30-11:00 pm

Nominating Committee/Candidate Dinner (Finalists) & Casual Activity - Nominating Committee & NOC Finalists

- Focused on providing setting for Nominating Committee members and candidates to interact outside of the interview room
- Focused on building rapport and establishing a sense for candidate behavior outside of the room

Thursday, October 23, 2008

9:00am-3:45pm

Personal Round

Holding Room: L&N – Union Station Conference Center
Interview Room: C&O – Union Station Conference Center

- Length of round – 10 minutes
- One candidate with all nine nominating committee members
- Focused on final questions developed by committee to address competencies such as character, passion for success, influence, etc.
- Business Casual Attire

9:00-10:45 am

Personal Round (7 candidates)

11:00-12:30 pm

Personal Round (6 candidates)

12:30-1:15 pm

Nominating Committee Lunch

1:15-3:45 pm

Personal Round (9 candidates)

3:50-4:50 pm

Candidate Reception

Conrail – Crowne Plaza Hotel

- All National FFA Officer Candidates will attend this reception-**Official Dress.**

5:00-6:30 pm

Sponsors and Judges Dinner

Grand Hall – Union Station Conference Center

- All National FFA Officer Candidates will attend this dinner and introduce themselves during the program.



Friday, October 24, 2008

TBD

Call Back Interviews (if necessary)

- Additional interview rounds will be posted no later than 9:00 am Friday, October 24th outside of the Union Station Conference Center.

12:00-1:30 pm

Fifth Convention Session

Conseco Field House

- All National FFA Officer Candidates introduce themselves on the main convention stage

2:30-4:00 pm

National Officer Candidate Meeting and Debrief

Conrail – Crowne Plaza

Remarks by Mr. Doug Loudenslager, National FFA Chief Operating Officer

- All National FFA Officer Candidates attend this session to explore additional opportunities for service with the National FFA Organization

Saturday, October 25, 2008

1:30-5:00 pm

Final Convention Session

Conseco Field House

- Announcement of 2008-09 National FFA Officers by Nominating Committee Chair

