

CENTRAL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2020

President's Newsletter

Hello Alabama Central District!

The time has finally come where we find ourselves trading in 2019 for 2020. The beginning of the year brings forth an array of emotions. There is the excitement of what awaits us in the future. There is also a sense of nostalgia as we reminisce on the good times with amazing people whose memories will stick with us for the rest of our lives. Most importantly, a new year brings about a new chance. The year 2019 was a year filled with lessons. We lived. We laughed. Sometimes, we even cried. But overall, we learned. Happy tears and sad tears aside, it does not matter what happened in 2019. What matters is how we are going to allow those experiences to shape us. As we adjust to 2020, let us strive to do better. Let us strive to be better- whether it is as a friend, a sibling, and FFA member, or just overall as a person.

With this new chance, the possibilities are endless, and there is so much to look forward to and be excited about. I know a few things I am excited about are:

- 1. FFA week-** Be sure to get in touch with the district officer responsible for your county to set up a chapter visit and get ready to make some epic memories! We can't wait to see how your chapter gets involved.
- 2. CTE Day on the Hill-** This is definitely one of my personal favorites! It is a day filled with fun times spent with other members and ending with a parade. Students, this is always a great opportunity to come and get to know others within the organization, as well as meet people from other organizations and partners of FFA.

3. Mock Interviews- This is where it all started for many of the district officers. It is the perfect way to take a shot at interviewing to get an idea of what the experience is like.

4. FFA Central District Spring Eliminations- I know many of you have been working to prepare for your competitions. I can't wait to see all of your hard work pay off!

There are definitely lots of other events coming up for us to all look forward to. To find out what they are, you can visit the Alabama FFA website and check out the calendar.

It is hard to believe that half of our year of service is already over, but I can't wait to see what the other half holds for us as a district and as an organization. Take advantage of this chance to start over and be the person you've always wanted to be. Here's to new beginnings and new opportunities. Happy New Year!

Forever Yours in Blue,

Taylor Moore-Jones

Central District President

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Proficiency Awards

Vice President's Newsletter

As we begin to think about this year and what it will hold for us, an important thing to keep in mind is proficiency applications. Ideally, each FFA member has an SAE, as it is a part of the three-circle model and vital to agricultural education. FFA members, I encourage you to turn in proficiency applications since you are working hard on your SAE. There are many rewards that may come from submitting a proficiency application. One reward is the awards that are given monetarily. Another that is equally exciting is the opportunity to be potentially recognized on the stage at state convention in June! FFA members, I encourage all of you to turn in those applications and receive the recognition for your hard work like so many other members throughout the FFA!

Forever Blue,

Trace Stroock

Central District Vice President
2019-2020

District Eliminations

Secretary's Newsletter

I'd like to take a moment to congratulate all of those that competed in the fall eliminations at Randolph County. We had a great turnout this year with 68 teams combined for a total of 258 members, a great increase over last year. Career development events are a great opportunity to gain knowledge and show off your skills against your fellow members. Spring eliminations are approaching fast so take this time to help prepare your teams for competition. This year's spring eliminations will be held at Jefferson State Community College. The date is still to be determined. Competitions will take place that morning and scores will be announced after lunch. I challenge all of you to work hard with your teams, or form one if you have not already. I hope to see all of you in the spring!

Sincerely,

Case Edwards

Central District Secretary

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Membership

Treasurer's Newsletter

Hey Central District! We have made it to the halfway mark of this 2019-2020 school term. We hope you all had an amazing winter break and are preparing your members for this upcoming National FFA Week! Make sure that your chapter is making preparations to have a district officer visit your chapter during the week. 2019 was full of meeting our amazing members and we look forward to the same as we kick-off 2020! The central district team hopes that you all achieved or are working to achieve your goals for chapter membership. Please feel free to contact any of the team if you have questions or need guidance concerning you or your chapter. We look forward to seeing you all at Central District Eliminations and have a happy FFA Week!

Serving you,

Brianna Payne

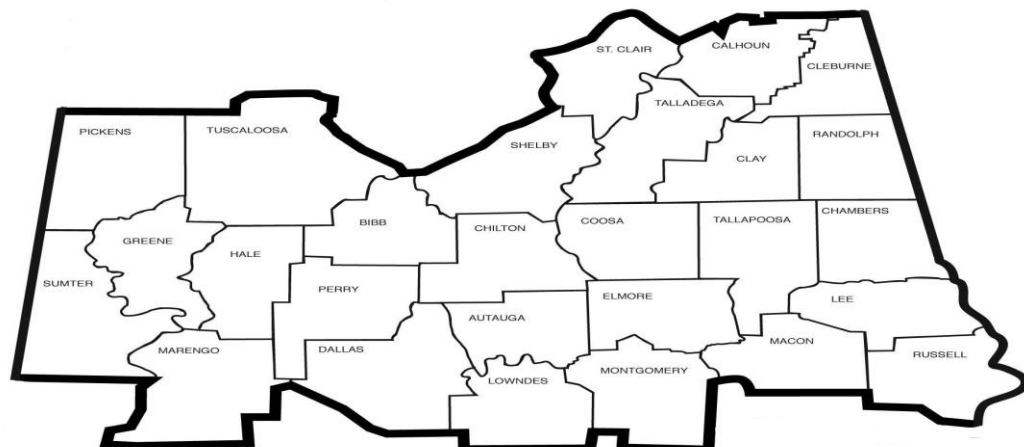
Brianna Payne
Central District Treasurer
2019-2020

Do you remember the first time that you put on your Corduroy Jacket? Did you know you could bless someone with the same amazing feeling? When a member Gives the Gift of Blue, you give someone a chance to wear a piece of history to experience the pride of wearing their own blue jacket. How awesome is that?

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Chapter Visits

Reporter's Newsletter

What's up Central District FFA? I am Trinity Rucker and I am proudly serving you as your 2019-2020 Central District Reporter. On behalf of our officer team, we hope your 2020 has been off to a great start! This year so far has been a blast! My fellow officers and I are extremely blessed to have been able to visit some of you last semester, and are excited to meet more of you this semester! So far this school year, our district team has visited many chapters! These chapter visits have created some of the best memories for us. Getting to visit chapters throughout our district gives us the opportunity to interact with our members more. We have absolutely loved our year of service so far! If you are interested in having one of our officers visit your chapter, feel free to contact us! We would be more than happy to visit you and get to know your chapters. We hope that your year continues to bless you and that you succeed in everything you pursue!

Proudly Serving You,

Trinity Rucker

Central District Reporter

2019-2020

Contests

Sentinel's Newsletter

What's Up Central? I've had a great first half of the year and I hope all of you have as well! As we tackle 2020, I want to encourage each and every one of you to get involved with a Career Development Event, Leadership Development Event, or Talent Development Event! There are so many contest areas to choose from and something for everyone to get involved in! District contests are right around the corner and I hope to see everyone there competing and having a great time! CDE's, LDE's, and TDE's not only develop skills, but members also can have fun while participating in them! These contest areas are the best ways to show all that you are capable of doing whenever you put your mind to it. So get up, get active, and get ready because 2020 is here!! I can't wait to witness what all you will accomplish.

Forever Blue,

Brooke Perry

Central District Sentinel

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