

TRIP PROPOSAL  
For Approval

The Polk County High School FFA  
8 Students  
2 Teachers

Polk County High School FFA  
Trip to  
Sunbelt Ag. Expos  
Moultrie, Georgia  
October 16-19

Submitted to:  
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Submitted by:  
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**TRIP OVERVIEW:**

The Sunbelt Ag Expo is an agricultural-based trade show held at Spence Field in Moultrie, Georgia. Known as “North America’s Premier Farm Show” the annual event has more than 1,200 exhibitors showcasing the latest in farming technology. Whether you are a large acreage production farmer or a weekend lifestyle farmer the Expo is an event you don’t want to miss. The Expo’s unique site has a 100-acre exhibit area adjoining a 530-acre working research farm. In the exhibit area, which includes both outdoor and indoor exhibits, visitors will find every imaginable product or service a farm could ever need.

**STUDENT and CHAPERONE COST:**

**Expenses:**

Student and Chaperone Cost:

\$400.00 Each (Hotel, Tours, Entertainment, Meals)

**FUNDRAISING:**

*Students with financial needs will be funded with these fundraisers and through Polk FFA as needed. No child will be refused this trip because of an inability to pay.*

**Spring Plant Sale 2022 – Each student will receive a \$100.00 from plant sale. Additional Fundraising will cover cost for students.**

**DEPOSIT DUE:**

Student deposits will be due September 20th.

**BALANCE DUE:**

Students will be required to pay their balance by October 1st. Checks will be given to Mr. Barber or Mrs. Gilbert and deposited by Mrs. Gray.

The teachers’ full cost will be funded by the Polk County Schools Career and Technical Education. Hotel - \$585.00 (3 nights per teacher). Meals - \$164.00 per teacher. Total costs for two teachers \$1498.00! Tickets for tours and entertainment will be paid out of fundraising and FFA Club funds.

**LODGING:**

Hampton Inn  
2 Meeting Place Drive  
Valdosta, Georgia 31601

**TRANSPORTATION:**

Transportation will be two seven passenger vans from Enterprise in Hendersonville, North Carolina. Van costs - \$1,096,08. Half of the cost will be paid by with Polk County Career and Technical Education Funds and other by the Polk County High School FFA.

**CHAPERONES:**

Chauncey Barber and Ashley Gilbert will chaperone trip.

**LUGGAGE RESTRICTIONS:**

Each traveler is restricted to one medium piece of luggage to go under the bus and one overnight/book bag to take on the bus.

**STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM:**

It is the responsibility of the student and parents to provide any updated information in reference to student health/medical situations. If any changes have occurred since filling out the form in August, please note changes on the attached form (initialed by the parent), and return to Mr. Barber before the trip.

## PERMISSION TO TRAVEL

Our child, \_\_\_\_\_, has permission to travel to Moultrie, Georgia with the Polk County FFA for the leadership and career development purposes.

We have received a copy of the trip proposal and the Behavior Guidelines/Expectations.

- We expect our child to adhere to all items mentioned in the Behavior Guidelines/Expectations, as well as any information contained in the Polk County High School Student Handbook.
- We realize that these guidelines, rules and regulations are put in place in order to make traveling a safe experience.
- We will hold our child responsible for any infraction of the rules and regulations that result in any harm to personal self, school or hotel property.
- We understand that the trip cost is \$500.00 per student.
- We also understand that all balances must be paid by October 1st.

Parent/Guardian Signatures \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this sheet with your trip balance to Mr. Barber or Mrs. Gilbert. Checks should be made to Polk FFA. Please be sure to get a receipt when making any form of payment.

Thank you for your cooperation.

