



# 2022 YOUNG LEADER DISCUSSION MEET

## Topics for District Discussion Meets:

- Due to current economic demands, many farmers and ranchers spend a lot of time outside the “fence rows” on off-farm jobs. How can Farm Bureau become more accessible and welcoming to members who are working in related fields and juggling responsibilities on and off the farm?
- How can Farm Bureau effectively support and equip young farmers and ranchers to successfully manage economic and infrastructure challenges to ensure healthy and sustainable farms and ranches across the country?

## Additional Topics for State Competition:

- Advancements in autonomous equipment and drone technology offer solutions to challenges farmers and ranchers have faced for years. How can Farm Bureau improve access to, and help farmers and ranchers deploy, these emerging technologies on their operations?
- Climate has become a major topic among business leaders, policymakers, and consumers. As an industry that depends on the weather, what role do we as farmers and ranchers play in shaping climate initiatives to benefit society overall as well as our own farms and ranches?
- Many external influences are causing supply chain disruption for agricultural goods. How can Farm Bureau reduce the impact of external influences through policy development and programming?

Participants must be registered by their County Farm Bureau at least 7 days prior to the district competition.

For more information, visit [www.ilfb.org/yldiscussionmeet](http://www.ilfb.org/yldiscussionmeet) | Contact your County Farm Bureau to register

Districts	Date	Location	Orientation Time	Contest Starting Time
1	Mon. Aug. 15	DeKalb County FB, Sycamore	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
2	Tues. Aug. 23	Stephenson County FB, Freeport	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
3	Thurs. Aug. 4	Henry County FB, Cambridge	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
4	Tues. July 19	Bureau County FB, Princeton	5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
5 & 6	Wed. July 27	Schaefer Pioneer, Mazon	5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
7 & 8	Tues. Aug. 2	Peoria County FB, Peoria	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
9	Mon. July 18	Hancock County FB, Carthage	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
10	Tues. July 26	Sangamon County FB, Springfield	5:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
11 & 12	Tues. July 12	Champaign County FB, Champaign	6:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
13 & 17	Wed. Aug. 24	Edwards County FB, Albion	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
14	Wed. Aug. 10	Effingham County FB, Effingham	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
15 & 16	Tues. Aug. 2	St. Clair County FB, Belleville	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
18	Thurs. Aug. 18	Saline County FB, Harrisburg	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.