



AMERICAN FFA DEGREE AND AMERICAN STAR AWARD

2027 UPDATES

Revised: December 23, 2025

Please find details of the handbook updates to the American FFA Degree and American Star Awards for the 2027 award cycle.

American FFA Degree Application

- No Changes.

American Star Award Section Updates

Star Categories

- No Changes

Performance Review A

- Rename "Overview"
- Add Question #4

Performance Review B

- Rename "Accomplishments"

Performance Review C

- Rename "Career Exploration and Planning"

Performance Review D

- Rename "Personal Financial Management and Planning"

Financial Sections

- Updated to align with 2027 National FFA SAE Awards applications

Outcomes/Efficiencies Section – No change for 2027.

Skills, Competencies, and Knowledge Section

- Updated Skills, Competencies and Knowledge section to reflect the 2024 Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources (AFNR) Career Cluster Content Standards.

Photos Section – No change for 2027.

Attachments/Uploads Section – No change for 2027.

Rubrics

- Updated Skills, Competencies and Knowledge section to reflect the 2024 Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources (AFNR) Career Cluster Content Standards.
- **ADDED** Overview Question #4 to Star Farmer, Star in Agribusiness, Star in Agricultural Placement, and Star in Agriscience rubrics – 3 points.
- Total possible points increased to 116 points for Star in Agriscience.
- Total possible points increased to 111 points for Star in Agricultural Placement.
- Total possible points increased to 121 points for Star Farmer and Star in Agribusiness