

**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA
STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
2024 TOURS**

**All tours are \$40 per person
Registration opens on Friday, January 26th at 7 AM on JudgingCard.com**

Papé Machinery Agriculture & Turf

Come see what Pape Machinery Agriculture & Turf has for you! On this tour, you will get a full tour of their facilities, including the Service Dept, Parts Dept, Rental Dept, Sales Dept, and Equipment Yard. As you move throughout each department their management team will describe the various operations and have students visit with department members. You will also get an overview of our Papé Technician Sponsorship program.

Limited 50 people

Thursday, March 21st (afternoon tour)

- 1 pm – Depart Sacramento Convention Center
- 1:30 pm – Arrive at UC Davis
- 3:30 pm – Depart UC Davis
- 4:00 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Forestry Pathway Tour – All Day Tour

Come learn more about forestry and the forest products industry and what it has to offer. This pathway-focused tour starts in the convention center with a college and training opportunity panel. Following the panel discussion, hop on the bus and travel to Lincoln to tour Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) Lincoln sawmill. Lunch will be provided following the tour. After arriving back at the convention center, you will have an opportunity to hear from local employers, employees, FFA alumni and student ambassadors regarding their jobs, careers, and their path to employment. The first of its kind for the State FFA Leadership Conference, this is a great opportunity for those interested in the forestry industry! Please note that each participant will need a signed Sierra Pacific Industries release that will be emailed to the advisor prior to the tour. All tour participants must be in FFA uniform with closed toe, flat shoes and pants, no skirts. <https://spi-ind.com>

Limited 50 people

Friday, March 22nd (all day tour)

- 8 AM – Meet in the Expo Hall
- 8:30 AM – College Training Opportunities Panel
- 9:45 AM – Leave the Sacramento Convention Center
- 11:00 AM – Arrive at SPI
- 12:30 AM – Lunch
- 1:30 PM – Depart SPI
- 2:30 PM – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center
- 2:30 PM – Employer/Employee Panel

UTI – Sacramento

For those with a mechanics interest, this tour is for you! Come check out the Universal Technical Institute Sacramento Campus and see what their facilities can offer you. Diesel or automotive – UTI has what you are looking for to prepare you for a future career in mechanics.

Website: <https://www.uti.edu/locations/california/sacramento>

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- 1:30 pm – Arrive at UTI- Sacramento Campus
- 3:30 pm – Depart UTI
- 4:00 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Friday, March 22nd (morning tour)

- 9am – Depart Sacramento Convention Center
- 9:30 am – Arrive at UTI- Sacramento Campus
- 11:30 am – Depart UTI
- 12 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

UC Davis - College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Interested in attending UC Davis? Curious about their veterinary program? Join us in touring UC Davis's agriculture facilities and gain an insight of their campus, program and student life. See their livestock facilities and learn about the 14 departments they have within their program!

Website: <https://caes.ucdavis.edu/>

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Morning Star- Tomato Processing & Packaging

Come see one of the three largest tomato processing and packaging facilities in the world! Morning Star supplies over 40% of the nation with their ingredient tomato paste and diced tomatoes. Learn how their operation works and see how their production technology has helped the tomato industry.

Website: <https://www.morningstarco.com/>

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1 pm – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

1:30 pm – Arrive at Morning Star

3:30 pm – Depart Morning Star

4:00 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Flora Fresh Inc.

Flora Fresh Inc. assists in supplying flowers to the Sacramento and central valley area. Flora Fresh provides a wide variety for florals and greenery from around the whole. Come see how their operations work and how they care for their products.

Website: <https://www.florafreshinc.com/>

Limited 50 people

Friday, March 22nd (morning tour)

9am – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

9:30 am – Arrive at Floral Fresh

11:30 am – Depart Floral Fresh

12 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Superior Farms

Come tour Superior Farms and learn how they raise sustainable lambs. Superior Farms has a long-standing commitment to the well-being and care of the flock. Lambs are set to pasture across grasslands, sustaining on natural vegetation, and are treated humanely.

Website: <https://superiorfarms.com/>

Limited 50 people

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9am – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

9:30 am – Arrive at Superior Farms

11:30 am – Depart Superior Farms

12 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Pacific Coast Producers

Owned by over 150 family-farms located in Central and Northern California, Pacific Coast Producers specializes in canning fruits and tomatoes for brands throughout the world. Join us at their corporate headquarters for a virtual tour and presentation by the executive team.

Limited 20 people

Website: <https://pacificcoastproducers.com/>

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9am – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

9:30 am – Arrive at Pacific Coast Producers

11:30 am – Depart Pacific Coast Producers

12 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Bayer Crop Science

Did you know that Bayer is not just a pharmaceutical company? It also has a crop science division that includes vegetables. If you'd like to learn more, come visit Bayer's Vegetable R&D facility at Woodland, CA and see where they develop innovative vegetable varieties for growers and consumers.

Limited 50 people

Website: <https://www.bayer.com/en/>

Bayer Woodland Website: <https://www.bayer.com/en/us/woodland>

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1 pm – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

1:30 pm – Arrive at Bayer Crop Science, Woodland

3:30 pm – Depart Bayer Crop Science, Woodland

4:00 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Nimbus Fish Hatchery

Located in eastern Sacramento County, Nimbus Hatchery raises Chinook salmon and steelhead for release to the American River. Enjoy feeding fish, taking a look at the fish ladder, the on-site nature trail along the American River to view wildlife, as well as the American River Parkway trail directly adjacent to the Nimbus Hatchery.

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Wilbur-Ellis Company, Agronomist/Pest Control Advisor

Join the Wilbur-Ellis team for a day and explore what it's like to be an Agronomist/Pest Control Advisor. This tour will give you a 'day in the life' experience of what an agronomist does for Wilbur-Ellis. Through various farm stops, you will see and experience how various commodities are grown in the greater Woodland area and learn more about how Wilbur-Ellis's Agronomist/Pest Control Advisor partners with growers to develop solutions to help maximize profits, by providing services including fertility programs (maximizing yields), pest control (controlling losses due to pest pressure), etc. You will learn about the seasonality of the cropping patterns, what they watch out for during different parts of the growing season, what pest pressure looks like, etc. This tour also includes interactions with FFA alumni who look forward to sharing their experiences and how you can become an Agronomist/Pest Control Advisor.

Limited 50 people

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9am – Depart Sacramento Convention Center

9:30 am – Arrive at Wilbur-Ellis

11:30 am – Depart Wilbur Ellis

12 pm – Arrive at Sacramento Convention Center

Everde Growers

Come tour one of the top nursery companies in the nation. Everde Growers has over 15 farms throughout the country with over 6,000 acres and grows over 33 million plants every year! They provide quality plants for landscape contractors, garden retailers, wholesalers and landscape architects. Visit their state-of-the-art facility and see how this company strives in cultivating excellence in the nursery landscape industry.

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Cal Fire Reforestation Nursery

The Reforestation Services Program (RSP) serves all California forestlands by providing resources to protect and restore disturbed and degraded forests, maximizing their values, enhancing ecosystem functions, and increasing resiliency from climatic impacts. Join us on this tour and get a firsthand look on how trees are propagated from seed and are carefully grown in state-of-the-art greenhouses.

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Farmers Rice Cooperative: PIRMI Mill, Woodland

Pacific International Rice Mills (PIRMI) proudly provides medium grain calrose rice to domestic and international breweries, grocers, and wholesale suppliers. Owned by Farmers' Rice Cooperative, PIRMI is the oldest continually operating rice mill in California.

Limited 30 people

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- 1 pm – Depart Sacramento Convention Center
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