

## **SOUTH CAROLINA YOUNG FARMER AND AGRIBUSINESS ASSOCIATION**

### **MEMBER AND MENTOR AWARD PROGRAM**

The South Carolina Young Farmer and Agribusiness Association in conjunction with the National Young Farmer Education Association would like to invite you to participate in the **Members and Mentors** program. This program is designed to allow your FFA students to become associated with your Young Farmer and Agribusiness Association Chapter at **no cost**, while providing them with a mentor to assist them in their challenging agricultural career.

Here's how it works.... You need to select no more than twenty of your senior agriculture students that you feel are most likely to enter into an agricultural career or who are most interested in agriculture. You should also select one or two of your Young Farmer and Agribusiness Chapter members to agree to serve as mentors to these young people. One mentor can serve as many as twenty students (and yes you can be a mentor as well). Submit the names of both the students and the mentors. These students will then receive a **FREE** years membership in both the state and national Young Farmers. They will receive the prescription drug card, the vision care card and receive all rights and privileges of any other member. The mentor will receive a package from the NYFEA that will help provide him with some guidance on how he can best serve as a mentor.

Providing education to our young people should not stop at graduation. The agricultural career field is extremely challenging. As we all know, it is impossible to provide our students with all of the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in just the few years we have them in class. The South Carolina Young Farmer and Agribusiness Association is a way to continue to provide guidance and education to our future leaders. The Member and Mentor program is a way to encourage these young people to take advantage of this great opportunity. To make it work, we must have your support. All you have to do is fill out the appropriate forms and send it to

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This program is limited to the first 200 to apply, so hurry and don't miss this opportunity to help your students while also boosting your Young Farmer and Agribusiness Chapter enrollment.

If you have any questions please call Billy Keels at (803) 896-8873.