



Delaware Farm Bureau

Blue Jacket Bonanza Requirements

The Blue Jacket Bonanza Program is organized to provide FFA students the opportunity to earn their own FFA Blue jacket.

The jackets are awarded based upon need, community service activities, leadership skills and a commitment to the FFA program. A jacket will be awarded on a one-time basis per student.

The requirements for the jacket are:

1. **Typed** applications must be completed and **postmarked** by January 19th, 2024.
2. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a high school FFA program and be a student in good standing.
3. Jacket sizing **MUST** be measured with the jacket ordering guidelines on pages 2 - 3.
Please note that Delaware Farm Bureau will not be responsible for replacing jackets that are measured incorrectly.
 - a. *Male jacket sizes are 100 - (size). Female jacket sizes are 103 – (size).*
4. Eligible students must
 - a. Be a resident of the state of Delaware, enrolled in a high school FFA program and be a student in good standing.
 - b. Submit a completed application
 - c. Complete 10 hours of community service
5. A committee of 3 members, appointed by the Delaware Farm Bureau, will review the applications and determine the recipients. There will be a limited number of jackets awarded.
6. Application packets must be **emailed** to mikayla.paul@defb.org or **mailed/postmarked** by January 19th, 2024 to:

**Delaware Farm Bureau
c/o Blue Jacket Bonanza
3457 S. DuPont Highway
Camden, DE 19934**

jacket ordering GUIDELINES

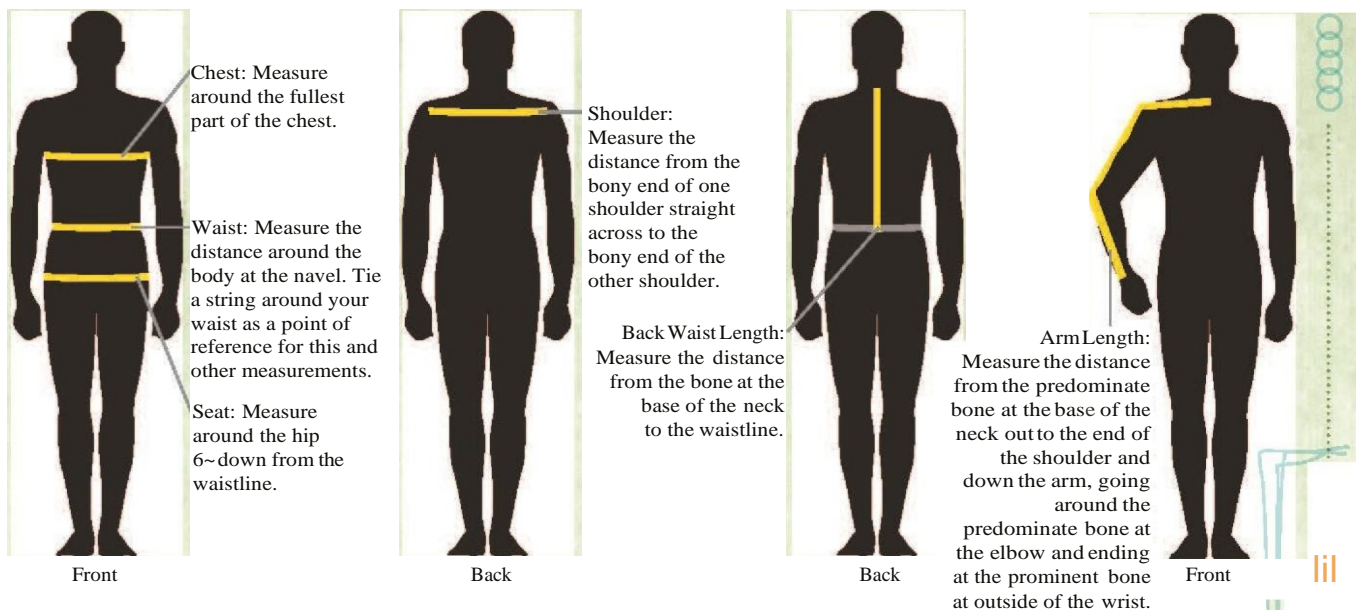
General Guidelines: In general, if a student is of average weight and height, the chest/bust measurement is the size of the jacket that should be ordered (i.e., if the chest/bust measurement is 38 inches and the student is of average weight and height, then you would order a size 38 jacket.) The following chart information should only be used if a student is between sizes or if you are unsure of what size to order. Please note: the average height of a female is 5'5" and the average height of a male is 5'10". The charts below provide you both actual body measurements and actual measurements of the finished jacket. There are separate charts for both the male and female jackets. The jacket measurements provide for ease throughout the chest/bust, hem and sleeve areas in order to make the jacket fit comfortably.

Male Body Measurements		The measurements in blue type below are the actual average body measurements for each size.														
Jacket Order Size		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Chest		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Seat 6" below waist		29	31	33	35	37	38	39	41	43	45	47	49	51	53	55
Shoulder		13.75	14.75	15.75	16.5	17	17.5	18	18.5	19	19.5	20	20.5	20.875	21.25	21.62
Back waist length		15.75	15.75	16.75	16.75	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.75	18.75	18.75	18.75	18.75	19.75	19.75	19.75
Arm length		28	29	29.75	30.5	31	31.5	32	32.5	33	33.5	33.875	34.25	34.625	35	35.375
Male Jacket Measurements		The measurements in blue type below are the finished jacket measurements which provide room for comfort.														
Jacket Order Size		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Chest		36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64
Hem (Seat)		32	34	36	38	40	41	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58
Shoulder		13.75	14.75	15.75	16.5	17	17.5	18	18.5	19	19.5	20	20.5	20.875	21.25	21.625
CB length		21.75	21.75	22.75	22.75	23.75	23.75	23.75	24.75	24.75	24.75	24.75	24.75	25.75	25.75	25.75
Sleeve length		29.5	30.5	31.25	32	32.5	33	33.5	34	34.5	35	35.375	35.75	36.125	36.5	36.875
Female Body Measurements		The measurements in blue type below are the actual average body measurements for each size.														
Jacket Order Size		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50			
Bust		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50			
High Hip 4" below waist		29.5	31.5	33.5	35.5	37.5	39.5	41.5	43.5	45.5	47.5	49.5	51.5			
Shoulder		13.875	14.375	14.875	15.375	15.875	16.375	16.875	17.375	17.875	18.375	18.875	19.375			
Back waist length		15.625	15.625	16.625	16.625	17.625	17.625	17.625	18.625	18.625	18.625	18.625	19.625			
Arm length		27.5	28.25	29	29.5	30	30.5	31	31.5	31.875	32.25	32.625	33			
Female Jacket Measurements		The measurements in blue type below are the finished jacket measurements which provide room for comfort.														
Jacket Order Size		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50			
Bust		34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56			
Hem (High Hip)		32.5	34.5	36.5	38.5	40.5	42.5	44.5	46.5	48.5	50.5	52.5	54.5			
Shoulder		13.875	14.375	14.875	15.375	15.875	16.375	16.875	17.375	17.875	18.375	18.875	19.375			
Center back length		19.625	19.625	20.625	20.625	21.625	21.625	21.625	22.625	22.625	22.625	22.625	23.625			
Sleeve length		29.0	29.75	30.5	31	31.5	32	32.5	33	33.375	33.75	34.125	34.5			
Height		Jackets are designed for students of average height. (5'5" for female, 5'10" for males.) If your student is 2-3 inches shorter or taller than average they should be able to wear a standard jacket. If they are 2-3 inches shorter than average, the sleeves will be a little long and the jacket will hit lower on the hip. If they are on the taller side, the sleeves will be a little short and the jacket will hit higher on the hip. For students outside of this range, it is recommended that a tailored jacket be ordered or that larger size be ordered.														
Weight		Jackets are designed for students of average weight. Students carry their weight differently. Depending on whether weight is dispersed evenly or located in one spot, you will need to determine if you need to order a tailored jacket or if moving up a size will work.														
Bust		The chest/bust measurement generally determines what size jacket to order. If you are between sizes it is generally recommended that you move up to the next larger size, however the actual jacket measurement at the chest/bust has eight inches of ease for males and six inches of ease for females so if a student is only slightly larger and the shoulder measurement for that size is within a quarter inch he/she should be fine with the smaller size. To select the appropriate size, you should evaluate both the shoulder and chest/bust measurement together in order to determine which size to order.														
Hem		The hem measurement is the actual jacket bottom opening. This measurement is referred to as the "high hip measurement." This measurement is measured six inches below the waist for males and four inches below the waist for females as explained in the "How to Measure" section at www.ffa.org/shop/blue-od-jackets.html . If a student's high hip measurement is less than the measurement in the chart above and there is at least three inches of additional ease (actual high hip measurement plus three inches), the jacket should fit comfortably. If there is less than two inches of ease, a size larger or a tailored jacket is recommended.														
Shoulder		The shoulder measurement is one of the most critical fit measurements. This measurement is generally the same on the jacket pattern as it is on the actual body. If a student is evenly proportioned, the shoulder generally drives how the jacket will fit through the rest of the body. Use the chart above along with the chest/bust measurement to determine what standard size jacket to order. If the shoulder measurement is between sizes, it is recommended that you move up to the next larger size.														
Center Back		The center back length measurement is the actual jacket measurement from the seam under the collar to the bottom of the jacket opening. If your student is 2-3 inches either side of the average height, the center back length on a standard jacket should be fine. If they are on the shorter side, the jacket will hit a little lower on the hip, or if they are on the taller side, the jacket will hit a little higher on the hip. For students outside of 2-3 inches on either side, it is recommended that a tailored jacket be ordered.														
Sleeve		The sleeve length measurement is the actual jacket measurement from the center back neck of the jacket, over the shoulder and down the sleeve to the bottom of the cuff. If your student is 2-3 inches either side of average height, the sleeve length on a standard jacket should be fine. If they are on the shorter side the sleeves will be a little long, or if they are on the taller side the sleeves will be a little short. For students outside of 2-3 inches on either side, it is recommended that a tailored jacket be ordered.														

Male Measurements Guidelines: Please wear the Official Dress shirt and pant when measuring to ensure proper fit of the Official Jacket. Please round up all measurements to the nearest quarter inch.

Height: _____ Standing erect near a wall, without shoes and with heels together, eyes straight ahead. Place a ruler on top of the person's head, level to the floor and mark where it touches the wall. Measure the height of the mark from the floor.

Weight: _____ Weigh, without shoes, using a standard bathroom scale. Round to the nearest pound.

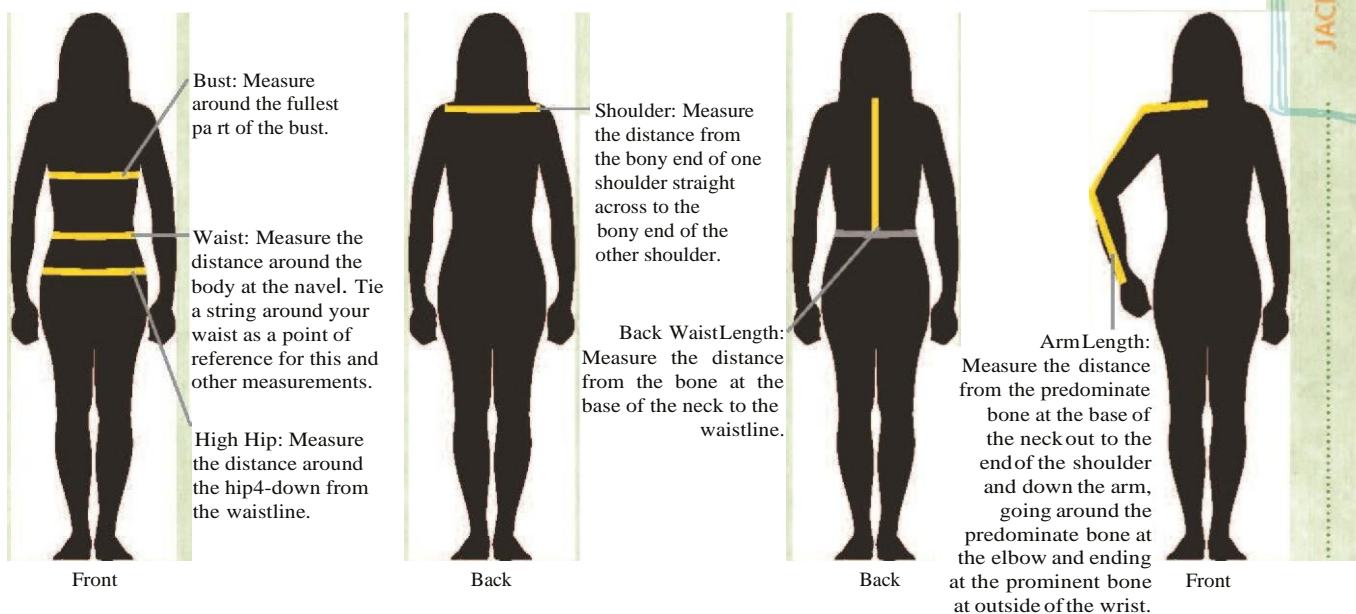


Chest: _____ Waist: _____ - Seat _____ Shoulder _____ Back Waist Length: _____ Arm Length: _____ -

Female Measurements Guidelines: Please wear the Official Dress shirt and skirt when measuring to ensure proper fit of the Official Jacket. Please round up all measurements to the nearest quarter inch.

Height: _____ Standing erect near a wall, without shoes and with heels together, eyes straight ahead. Place a ruler on top of the person's head, level to the floor and mark where it touches the wall. Measure the height of the mark from the floor.

Weight: _____ Weigh, without shoes, using a standard bathroom scale. Round to the nearest pound.



Bust: _____ Waist: _____ - High Hip: _____ - Shoulder _____ Back Waist Length: _____ Arm Length: _____ -

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**Delaware Farm Bureau
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NAME: _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST MALE FEMALE

HOME ADDRESS: _____
STREET OR P.O. BOX CITY
STATE ZIP PHONE #

E-MAIL: _____

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THIS AWARD? _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS PHONE # GRADE

FFA ADVISOR: _____
NAME E-MAIL

FFA CHAPTER #: _____ FFA CHAPTER NAME: _____

FFA MEMBERSHIP #: _____ JACKET SIZE #: _____

Jacket sizing **MUST** be measured with the jacket ordering guidelines on pages 2 - 3.

****PLEASE NOTE THAT DELAWARE FARM BUREAU WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
REPLACING JACKETS THAT ARE MEASURED INCORRECTLY.****

ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO DO 10 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A FFA JACKET. THESE HOURS CAN BE DONE INDIVIDUALLY OR AS A GROUP (I or G).

SERVICE	DATES	I or G	HOURS
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****IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR QUESTIONS 1, 2 OR 3, PLEASE ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL PAGE****

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE REASON FOR YOUR APPLICATION AND WHAT THE BLUE JACKET MEANS TO YOU. (200 WORD MINIMUM)

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR CAREER GOALS AND HIGHER EDUCATION PLANS. (200 WORD MINIMUM)

PLEASE DESCRIBE WHAT FFA MEANS TO YOU AND WHAT VALUABLE SKILLS YOU HAVE LEARNED. (50 WORD MINIMUM)

PLEASE HAVE YOUR FFA ADVISOR, PRINCIPAL AND A PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGN BELOW.

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____ DATE: _____

FFA ADVISOR: _____ DATE: _____

PRINCIPAL: _____ DATE: _____

A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION IS REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION. PLEASE SUBMIT ONE WITH YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION. LETTER MUST BE WRITTEN BY YOUR FFA CHAPTER ADVISOR.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____