

Kentucky FFA Essay Contest

2023-2024 Topic

Background: Entering the agriculture industry as a farmer is not easy. The cost of land, equipment, livestock, and inputs can be a huge barrier to young people who want to farm. At the same time, the average age of the American farmer continues to increase and record numbers of farmers will likely retire in the next 10 years.

Prompt: What steps can the agriculture industry take to help young people successfully pursue careers in production agriculture?

