# SAE Project Ideas For FFA

#### **Animal Science Projects**

- 1. Raise chickens and gather eggs to sell at farmers markets.
- 2. Teach a dog to help people who need it.
- 3. Start a rabbit breeding project for shows and meat.
- 4. Keep honeybees and sell sweet honey to neighbors.
- 5. Grow earthworms to make rich garden soil.
- 6. Hatch baby chicks and sell them to farmers nearby.
- 7. Offer pet sitting for neighbors when they are away.
- 8. Raise dairy goats and make tasty cheese to share.
- 9. Train horses to give riding lessons to kids.
- 10. Raise sheep for wool and learn to spin yarn.
- 11. Breed fancy goldfish to sell to pet stores.
- 12. Keep quail for small eggs you can sell.
- 13. Breed guinea pigs for families to have as pets.
- 14. Raise show pigs and take them to county fairs.
- 15. Learn to groom dogs and start a small shop.
- 16. Hatch ducks and raise them for eggs and meat.
- 17. Rescue pets and help them find new homes.
- 18. Raise cows and sell beef to local families.
- 19. Start a backyard fish farm in tanks.
- 20. Raise turkeys to sell for Thanksgiving.
- 21. Teach therapy animals to visit sick children.

- 22. Hatch pheasants and release them into the wild.
- 23. Open a wildlife rehab center for hurt animals.
- 24. Raise rabbits for meat and sell to restaurants.
- 25. Keep exotic birds like parakeets and teach tricks.
- 26. Breed show cats for stores and families.
- 27. Raise tiny horses for petting zoos and events.
- 28. Start an alpaca farm and sell soft wool.
- 29. Keep peacocks and sell their pretty feathers.
- 30. Raise dairy cows and learn to make butter.
- 31. Open a petting zoo with friendly farm animals.
- 32. Hatch rare chickens to save old breeds.
- 33. Raise pygmy goats as pets for families.
- 34. Offer a dog walking service for busy people.
- 35. Raise game birds like quail for hunting clubs.
- 36. Keep llamas and use their wool for blankets.
- 37. Breed fancy pigeons that do fun flying tricks.
- 38. Start a turtle breeding program for rare kinds.
- 39. Try hatching duck eggs under a sitting hen.
- 40. Raise show cattle and compete at state fairs.

### **Plant Science Projects**

- 41. Grow pumpkins to sell for Halloween decorations.
- 42. Plant flowers and sell bouquets to neighbors.
- 43. Grow herbs in pots to sell to restaurants.

- 44. Plant apple trees and make fresh cider to sell.
- 45. Grow strawberries in hanging baskets for easy picking.
- 46. Start a veggie garden and sell at farmers markets.
- 47. Grow corn and pop popcorn to sell.
- 48. Plant sunflowers and sell seeds for bird food.
- 49. Grow tomatoes and make sauce to sell.
- 50. Start a Christmas tree farm for holiday sales.
- 51. Grow microgreens in your kitchen for salads.
- 52. Plant a butterfly garden with their favorite flowers.
- 53. Grow potatoes in barrels for easy harvesting.
- 54. Start a berry patch with raspberries and blackberries.
- 55. Grow mushrooms in a dark shed or basement.
- 56. Plant watermelons to sell at summer stands.
- 57. Grow gourds and make birdhouses to sell.
- 58. Start a lavender farm and make scented sachets.
- 59. Grow peanuts and learn to make peanut butter.
- 60. Plant squash to sell in the fall.
- 61. Grow flowers from seeds and sell starter plants.
- 62. Start a succulent garden and sell baby plants.
- 63. Grow beans and learn how they add nitrogen to soil.
- 64. Plant maple trees and collect sap for syrup.
- 65. Grow cucumbers and make pickles to sell.
- 66. Build a hydroponic system to grow lettuce year-round.
- 67. Grow peppers and make hot sauce to sell.

- 68. Plant cherry tomatoes in baskets for snacks.
- 69. Grow mint and make refreshing tea.
- 70. Start a vertical garden on a wall for more space.
- 71. Grow blueberries in pots for sweet summer treats.
- 72. Plant wildflowers to help bees.
- 73. Grow carrots in deep pots for straight roots.
- 74. Start composting to make rich soil.
- 75. Grow garlic and braid it for storage.
- 76. Plant heirloom veggies to save rare seeds.
- 77. Grow sweet potatoes in mounds for bigger harvests.
- 78. Start a bamboo farm for stakes and crafts.
- 79. Grow popcorn and package it for movie snacks.
- 80. Plant fruit trees and sell fresh fruit locally.

#### **Agricultural Mechanics Projects**

- 81. Build chicken coops for people who raise poultry.
- 82. Fix old tractors and sell them for profit.
- 83. Make garden benches from old wood pallets.
- 84. Build raised beds for easier veggie growing.
- 85. Create simple watering systems for home gardens.
- 86. Fix small engines like lawnmowers for neighbors.
- 87. Build birdhouses from scrap wood and sell them.
- 88. Make toolboxes to sell at craft fairs.
- 89. Weld farm parts into metal garden art.

- 90. Build rabbit hutches for pet bunnies.
- 91. Make wooden signs for farms and gardens.
- 92. Build beehives for local beekeepers.
- 93. Restore old farm tools to sell to collectors.
- 94. Build small greenhouses for early seed starts.
- 95. Make insulated dog houses for cold winters.
- 96. Build hay feeders for horses and livestock.
- 97. Build compost bins to turn scraps into soil.
- 98. Create rain barrels to save water for gardens.
- 99. Weld metal fire pits for backyard cookouts.
- 100. Build wheelbarrows for easy garden work.
- 101. Make flower boxes for porches and windows.
- 102. Build simple wind turbines for power.
- 103. Create solar dryers for fruits and herbs.
- 104. Make bat houses to control mosquitoes.
- 105. Build cold frames to grow veggies in cool weather.
- 106. Create garden carts to move tools and plants.
- 107. Make planters shaped like animals for kids.
- 108. Build gravity-fed chicken feeders.
- 109. Make weather vanes to show wind direction.
- 110. Build mason bee houses for pollinators.
- 111. Build picnic tables for parks and schools.
- 112. Make soil sifters to remove rocks.
- 113. Make hanging plant holders from metal rods.

- 114. Build goat milking stands for dairy goats.
- 115. Create maple syrup evaporators for syrup.
- 116. Build vertical frames for small-space gardens.
- 117. Make saddle racks to store riding gear.
- 118. Build seed trays from recycled materials.
- 119. Create archways for climbing plants like beans.
- 120. Make butterfly houses to protect them from rain.

### **Agricultural Business Projects**

- 121. Start a lawn mowing service for neighbors.
- 122. Run a stand at farmers markets selling veggies.
- 123. Make berry jam to sell locally.
- 124. Start a seed-saving business with rare seeds.
- 125. Sell eggs in colorful cartons with fun labels.
- 126. Make healthy dog treats to sell at pet stores.
- 127. Open a pumpkin patch with hayrides in fall.
- 128. Sell painted birdhouses to decorate yards.
- 129. Make beeswax lip balm to sell.
- 130. Start a worm farm selling worm castings.
- 131. Make potpourri from dried flowers and herbs.
- 132. Offer tool sharpening for garden tools.
- 133. Sell goat milk soap at craft fairs.
- 134. Plant gardens for busy people.
- 135. Make birdseed ornaments for winter trees.

- 136. Offer plant watering while neighbors are away.
- 137. Sell wreaths made from evergreen branches.
- 138. Flavor honey with herbs and spices to sell.
- 139. Open a U-pick berry farm in your yard.
- 140. Sell starter veggie plants in spring.
- 141. Make flower seed bombs for easy planting.
- 142. Start a flower arranging service for events.
- 143. Sell baskets for picking garden veggies.
- 144. Share farm tools in your area.
- 145. Make stepping stones with pretty designs.
- 146. Offer leaf raking in fall.
- 147. Sell garden gloves with special grips.
- 148. Plan gardens for new gardeners.
- 149. Make dried herb seasoning blends to sell.
- 150. Offer snow shoveling in winter.
- 151. Sell scarecrows for garden decoration.
- 152. Start a seed library for trading seeds.
- 153. Make sunflower seed butter as a peanut butter alternative.
- 154. Offer garden pest control advice.
- 155. Sell beeswax candles you make.
- 156. Prune fruit trees for homeowners.
- 157. Make dried fruit snacks from extra fruit.
- 158. Offer weekly vegetable box subscriptions.
- 159. Sell garden markers for naming plants.

160. Start a local grass-fed beef subscription.

#### **Natural Resources Projects**

- 161. Build rain gardens to stop runoff pollution.
- 162. Start a recycling program for farm plastics.
- 163. Plant trees along streams to stop soil loss.
- 164. Create wildlife areas in unused farm spots.
- 165. Test stream water quality with simple kits.
- 166. Build wood duck nesting boxes and install them.
- 167. Make a nature trail with plant name signs.
- 168. Start a school compost program for gardens.
- 169. Build fish homes using old Christmas trees.
- 170. Map invasive plants nearby for removal.
- 171. Create a butterfly stop with milkweed plants.
- 172. Collect used fishing line to keep it out of water.
- 173. Build bluebird houses and watch them nest.
- 174. Plant native grasses to stop erosion.
- 175. Grow food plots for deer and other wildlife.
- 176. Teach about rain barrels in schools.
- 177. Build brush piles for rabbits and quail.
- 178. Plant wildflowers to help bees.
- 179. Make owl nest boxes to catch mice.
- 180. Test garden soil health with kits.
- 181. Build bat houses to cut mosquito numbers.

- 182. Create a small wetland for frogs.
- 183. Plant fruit trees for birds to eat.
- 184. Record frog calls in spring to study them.
- 185. Build snake boxes for pest control.
- 186. Make perches for hawks that hunt mice.
- 187. Plant prairie strips in fields for pollinators.
- 188. Track monarch butterfly migration in your area.
- 189. Build turtle nesting areas near ponds.
- 190. Collect and share native seeds with neighbors.
- 191. Plant evergreen trees as living snow fences.
- 192. Organize community days to clean watersheds.
- 193. Build beaver dam models to control water.
- 194. Make solar water pumps for wildlife.
- 195. Plan firewood in woodlots for safety.
- 196. Build insect hibernation boxes for good bugs.
- 197. Create corridors for wildlife to move safely.
- 198. Watch and record bird nesting success.
- 199. Make brush piles for small mammals.
- 200. Put up signs to teach about watershed care.

# **Food Science Projects**

- 201. Make ice cream at home using local milk.
- 202. Create fruit roll-ups from extra orchard fruit.
- 203. Make apple chips from local apples for snacks.

- 204. Make maple sugar candy from boiled syrup.
- 205. Make fresh cheese using goat milk.
- 206. Mix jams with fun flavors like strawberry and basil.
- 207. Brew homemade root beer with natural ingredients.
- 208. Mix dried herbs into salt for cooking.
- 209. Make fruit vinegars for salad dressings.
- 210. Make peanut butter from fresh roasted nuts.
- 211. Make fruit leather from summer berries.
- 212. Mix herbs into honey for flavored honey.
- 213. Make beef jerky with your own spice mixes.
- 214. Make sausage from pork you raise.
- 215. Make fruit-infused water for healthy drinks.
- 216. Make pasta at home using chicken eggs.
- 217. Make ketchup from garden tomatoes.
- 218. Make yogurt using milk from your cow.
- 219. Cook applesauce with cinnamon for winter.
- 220. Make fruit preserves to sell at markets.

## **ACONTINUEAgricultural Education Projects**

- 221. Create farm safety videos to teach kids.
- 222. Make picture books that show where food comes from.
- 223. Start a school garden to teach planting.
- 224. Make flash cards about farm animals.
- 225. Teach cooking classes using garden veggies.

- 226. Design posters about farm jobs for schools.
- 227. Make soil test kits for science class.
- 228. Start farm-to-school programs with local farmers.
- 229. Create charts showing plant growth from seed to harvest.
- 230. Make trivia games about farm facts.
- 231. Make plant ID cards for nature walks.
- 232. Start a school compost program.
- 233. Make bee kits to show how pollination works.
- 234. Plan field trips to dairy farms for teachers.
- 235. Make weather boards for crop planning lessons.
- 236. Start reading programs with farm books.
- 237. Make coloring books about farm tool safety.
- 238. Build watershed models to show water movement.
- 239. Make seed starting kits for classrooms.
- 240. Run a student farmers market at school.
- 241. Make guides on caring for farm animals.
- 242. Create planting calendars for when to plant seeds.
- 243. Build worm farm boxes to watch worms.
- 244. Start pen pal programs between city and farm kids.
- 245. Show food preservation demos at county fairs.
- 246. Make videos interviewing farmers about their jobs.
- 247. Make plant part models to show roots, stems, leaves.
- 248. Use egg incubators for school chicken projects.
- 249. Make tool ID games for ag classes.

- 250. Design farm safety escape room games.
- 251. Make butterfly life cycle kits for class.
- 252. Host farm photo contests for young people.
- 253. Make soil kits to show what healthy dirt has.
- 254. Teach farm accounting with real examples.
- 255. Make time-lapse videos of plant growth.
- 256. Start school greenhouses to grow year-round.
- 257. Create boxes to teach about animal feed.
- 258. Make games about saving water on the farm.
- 259. Make farm board games to teach ag ideas.
- 260. Set up driving simulators to teach farm equipment safety.