1911  NC General Assembly passed the County Farm Life School Act, which appropriated $25,000 a year to build ten schools. The Craven County Farm Life School in Vanceboro was the first school established to teach agriculture in North Carolina

1917  US Congress passed the Smith Hughes Act, which established vocational agriculture in public schools

1927  Work began to establish a club for boys enrolled in vocational agriculture classes

1928  First State Convention was held; 300 delegates, representing 110 rural high schools from 66 counties attended meetings at NC State; convention was held here for 18 years

  Young Tar Heel Farmers Association was chartered

  17 members became the first to receive the Carolina Farmer Degree (now the State FFA Degree)

1929  The transition from Young Tar Heel Farmers to FFA was implemented when the National FFA Organization officially chartered the North Carolina Association of Future Farmers of America

  Wade Turner was elected as the 2nd National FFA President; the first national officer from North Carolina

1935  Due to polio outbreaks, state convention and the camping program was not held

1940  Tom Browne FFA Camp was developed and established in Barnardsville (Buncombe County)

1947  19th State Convention was moved for the first time to downtown Raleigh and held at the Sir Walter Raleigh Hotel

1949  A collegiate FFA chapter with 105 active members was organized at State College

1957  Clarence Chappell of Perquimans County became the first member from NC to be named Star Farmer of America

1958  The S.B. Simmons NFA Camp was officially opened in Swansboro (Onslow County)

1965  The FFA and NFA merged both nationally and in North Carolina
1966  The NC FFA Camp name was changed to the RJ Peeler FFA Camp to honor the retirement of the executive secretary

1968  North Carolina reached its highest ever recorded membership total of 31,869 members

1969  Girls were officially admitted into the FFA

Alvin Ray Hickman of Acme Delco, became the first African American member elected as a State FFA Officer

1972  The North Carolina FFA Alumni Association was formed

1976  The North Carolina FFA Foundation was chartered

1979  The Tom Browne FFA Camp was sold to Buncombe County; funds from the sale built the girls dorms at the RJ Peeler FFA Camp

1980  Beth Smith of Ledford, became the first female elected as a State Officer; she also became the first female from NC to receive the American Farmer Degree (now the American Degree)

1985  The RJ Peeler FFA Camp added a new meeting facility sponsored by the Alumni Association

1989  A historic marker was presented to the FFA Camp at White Lake

1990  Kelly Butler of Bartlett Yancey became the first female elected as State FFA President

1991  S.B. Simmons Camp was transferred to the NC Association of Vocational Educators and Other Professional Workers

Charles Keels began a 3 year term as the National FFA Treasurer

1993  The RJ Peeler FFA Camp was changed to the NC FFA Center

1994  The NC FFA Center added new lodge facilities

1996  Staff and services for Agricultural Education and FFA were established to the Department of Agricultural and Extension Education at NC State University by special action of the North Carolina General Assembly. Program staff were previously headquartered at the NC Department of Public Instruction

2002  74th State Convention was moved to the Tally Student Center at NC State University

2005  Tanisha Glover of Eastern Randolph, became the first black female member elected as a State FFA Officer

2008  The NC FFA Center added new dining and recreational hall facilities

Courtney Clapp of Eastern Randolph, became the first African American female to be elected State FFA President

2009  81st State Convention was moved to downtown Raleigh and held at the new Raleigh Convention Center