

SOUTH CAROLINA FFA ASSOCIATION GUIDELINES FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Certification for Career Development Events

- The regional event superintendent must certify teams advancing to the state competition.
- Team members must be currently enrolled in an Agricultural Education Class and a dues paying FFA member. Enrollment must be for the current school year in which the event takes place.
- Eighth graders in rotating classes that do not participate in CDE's will not lose their eligibility for contest designed for first year students in high school.
- Members of a state winning CDE team cannot participate on another CDE team for that school year, with the exception of CDE's that are not recognized by the National FFA. They are eligible to compete in an individual event, but cannot compete in both at the National Convention. They may compete in other CDE's the following school year.
- Only one substitution will be allowed in a State CDE for which there has been a regional contest with exceptions of Parliamentary Procedure (2), Tractor Driving, and Tool ID.
- At the Regional competitions members may compete in multiple speaking events, such as Greenhand Creed, Upper Division Creed, Prepared, or Extemporaneous Speaking, but can only be awarded on one contest.
- The following state events are open to any chapter in the state in good standings:
 1. Agricultural Issues
 2. Agricultural Mechanics
 3. Agronomy
 4. Dairy Evaluation
 5. Dairy Foods
 6. Envirothon
 7. Farm Business Management
 8. Floriculture
 9. Forestry
 10. Horse Judging
 11. Nursery Landscape
 12. Livestock Judging
 13. Poultry Judging
 14. Wildlife
 15. Job Interview
 16. Greenhand Quiz Bowl

All Events are open for middle school chapters to compete, but their team and individuals are not eligible for awards, except for the events not recognized on the national level. There is a Middle School Round Robin specifically for them.

- The following state events are open to the top two (2) teams / individuals from each region in the state:
 1. Greenhand Creed Speaking
 2. Upper Division Creed Speaking 10th
 3. Extemporaneous Public Speaking
 4. Prepared Public Speaking
 5. Parliamentary Procedures

- The following state events are open to the top three (3) teams from each region in the state:
 1. Agricultural Tool Identification
 2. Tractor Driving

- The State Soil Judging Career Development Event is open to the top five (5) teams from each region.

State Envirothon Information

- FFA chapters are allowed to enter multiple teams. If a chapter has more than one team at the state competition, then the FFA Advisor **MUST** designate the official team at the time of registration prior to the state event. The designated team will count toward final placing of the official FFA results.

- When registering your chapter FFA team, the team name must have “FFA” in some portion of it. For example: Smith HS FFA, FFA, or FFA Blue.

- The highest placing FFA team in the South Carolina Envirothon will be the certified team that represents the South Carolina FFA Association in the National FFA Environmental and Natural Resources Career Development Event at the National FFA Convention.

General Guidelines for State-Level Career Development Events

- The use of cellular phones, Personal Digital Assistants (PDA's) or any other mobile electronic communication device is prohibited during any state-level career development event. Any violation of this rule by any team member will result in total team disqualification.

- Any member or Advisor found cheating in any state-level career development event will result in total team disqualification for that event.