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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION DEMONSTRATIONS

For agricultural education teams from Pennsylvania high schools.

January 11-14, 2015

Judges - Howard Leslie, Enon Valley, PA; Dr. David Howell, PA Furnace, PA; William Kronen, Freeport, PA
Chairperson - Christopher Weller, PA Dept. of Education, Harrisburg, PA

ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

AgEd: http://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Career%20and%20Technical%20Education/Pages/News-and-Events.aspx#.Vij8GYLD_AV

Entry Forms **MUST** be submitted to PDE,

c/o Cliff Day, FFA Facilitator, PA Department of Education, 333 Market Street 11th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333, clday@pa.gov.

Entries close November 1, 2015

1. Entries shall be made in the name of the school represented and premium awards will be made to the school. A school may enter a maximum of three (3) demonstrations. There must be different members on each team.
2. All demonstrations must fit within the nine (9) Agricultural Education Content Areas. They are as follows: Animal Science, Ag Bio-Technology, Food Science, Forestry, Leadership and Career Development, Management Economics and Marketing, Natural Resource Management, Plant and Soil Science, and Power and Systems Technology.
3. On-stage teams may be composed of two to four students enrolled in Agricultural Education.
4. Off-stage assistance during a demonstration shall be limited to team members and one assistant, plus adviser.
5. Agricultural entries along with manuscripts **must** be forwarded to: FFA Facilitator, Bureau of Career and Technical Education, Department of Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333 by **November 1, 2015**.
6. Property requirements for demonstrations shall be cleared with the Farm Show Director before demonstrations are approved.
7. Team members **MAY NOT** use manuscripts during the demonstration.
8. Each team shall be accompanied by an instructor who will be responsible for the team while it is in Harrisburg.
9. The actual demonstration must be at least fifteen (15) minutes long but not more than twenty (20) minutes. A penalty will be assessed for demonstrations not meeting these time requirements. In addition, the demonstrations must be set up, presented and removed from the stage within the 30 minute time period provided for each demonstration. **Teams are encouraged to use the overhead mirror provided when demonstrating fine meticulous skills or materials on table top. Demonstrations may NOT utilize propane, small gasoline engines, or other flammable liquids for the safety of participants and observers. Live animals are NOT allowed to be utilized in demonstrations.**
10. Back-stage activity while demonstrations are being presented is not permitted. Members of demonstrating teams **MUST** adhere to safety precautions at all times.
11. Demonstrations should vary from year to year and **NOT** be repeated in successive years by the same school.
12. No question period is provided and questions are not solicited. The presentation is to be complete.
13. Skits and playlets, except as a part of the demonstration, are not acceptable.
14. Demonstrations will be conducted on the Expo Hall Stage in the Expo Hall of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center.
15. The demonstration committee will review all applicants and select the schools to participate based on the time slots available.
 - a. Schools will be notified by December 1.
 - a. Official FFA dress is suggested where appropriate.
 - b. Suggested hints for Demonstrations found on the website should be consulted.
16. A disqualification and forfeiture of show premiums of a demonstration/or exhibit will be made at the discretion of the department chairman. Infractions that could warrant disqualification include:
 - c. Removal of exhibits prior to the designated removal time and date, unless pre approved by the Farm Show Director.
 - d. Exhibits that were not the original work of the FFA Chapter or individual exhibitor.
 - e. Modifying and painting Farm Show property in any way except by approval of the Farm Show Director.
 - f. Defacing Farm Show property in any way.
 - g. Consistent and fragrant violation of departmental rules that are not included as part of the evaluation and scoring process
 - h. Flagrant violation of the FFA Code of Conduct as found on page 186.
 - i. Exhibits less than high quality for the PA Farm Show.

PREMIUMS

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th	16 th – 20 th
\$150	\$115	\$100	\$90	\$85	\$44	\$40	\$38	\$36	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$32	\$32	\$30	\$28

The Farm Show Commission will award a Walnut Plaque for the first place school team.