AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION LANDSCAPE EXHIBITS

Judges - Gregory Black, Mechanicsburg, PA; Steve Miller, PA
Chairperson - Clifford Day, PA Dept. of Education, Harrisburg, PA
Entries must be PRE-ENTERED
ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

Appropriate Entry forms can be downloaded from the Ag Ed website and must be sent to Cliff Day, FFA Facilitator, PA Department of Education, 333 Market Street 11th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333.  clday@pa.gov

Entries close September 30, 2015

1. Schools wishing to participate MUST submit the following: a.) an application along with their 22” x 18” landscape/hardscape design, b.) a list of plant materials, c.) a one page explanation of their design concept, d.) a check made out to the Commonwealth of PA in the amount of $50.00. To be considered a complete application items a) through d) must be mailed to: FFA Facilitator, Bureau of Career and Technical Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333 by September 30, 2015. No changes may be made to the 22” x 18” landscape/hardscape design after December 1, 2015. Any changes from the original design must be resubmitted by December 1. (Checks will be refundable at the time the exhibit is removed).

2. Space will be provided for twelve (12) exhibits, eight (8) landscape and four (4) hardscape. If more than twelve (12) applications are received, a committee will review the applications and decide on the twelve most appropriate displays for 2016.

3. Space provided for exhibits to be 15 feet across the front and 10 feet deep. Exhibits must be within these limits. Exhibits must not touch adjoining exhibits either beside or in back of. Space will be provided in the Weis Exposition Hall.

4. The official FFA banner of the chapter must be displayed at the exhibit prior to judging Friday at 4:00 p.m., January 8, 2016. A design 22” x 18” (covered with clear plastic or painted to protect from water), which identifies plant materials in the exhibit, shall be erected in the front of the exhibit. Front viewing of the exhibit shall be the primary objective. The rear of the exhibit shall be a wall which must have at least 6 feet covered, but there is no limit to height which may be used. A source of 110 volt electrical power will be available at each exhibit, and lighting effects shall be the responsibility of the chapter constructing the exhibit. Electrical equipment, such as pumps, should be of a type which will operate for eight days.

5. For landscape exhibits, no less than five types of landscape plant materials will be used. They shall be of a type and condition (balled or container) which will stand up for the eight days of the show. Exhibits must be removed between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Sunday, January 17, 2016. If exhibits can not be removed during this time, contact chairman to make alternate arrangements.

6. Judging will take place on Friday, January 8, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

7. Exhibitors must contact the Department Chairperson to make arrangements for set-up.

9. Landscape Theme: 100 Years of Horticulture Hardscape Theme: 100 Years of Horticulture

10. A disqualification and forfeiture of show premiums of a demonstration/or exhibit will be made at the discretion of the department
a. Removal of exhibits prior to the designated removal time and date, unless preapproved by the Farm Show Director.
b. Exhibits that were not the original work of the FFA Chapter or individual exhibitor.
c. Modifying and painting Farm Show property in any way except by approval of the Farm Show Director.
d. Defacing Farm Show property in any way.
e. Consistent and flagrant violation of departmental rules that are not included as part of the evaluation and scoring process.
f. Flagrant violation of the FFA Code of Conduct as found on page 186.
g. Exhibits less than high quality for the PA Farm Show.

Class 0001- Landscape Exhibit

Special Ribbons:  Best Design
Best Plant Materials Selection
Best Non-Living Materials Selection
Best Landscape Blueprint

Class 0002 - Hardscape Exhibit

Special Ribbons:  Best Design
Best Non-Living Materials Selection
Best Landscape Blueprint

Premiums: 1st - $300; 2nd - $250; 3rd - $200; 4th - $125; 5th through 8th - $100**
**5th through 8th - Landscape premiums only

Special Awards: The Farm Show Commission will award the special ribbons listed above plus a walnut plaque to the school winning first place.

The first place FFA Landscape Exhibit is eligible to represent Pennsylvania at the competition at the Eastern States Exposition in September 2016.