ND FFA Association

DEMONSTRATION

Handbook

Purpose

The purpose of the FFA Demonstration Leadership Development Event is to provide students in grades 10 and below an opportunity to develop leadership and communication skills by presenting an agricultural process or skill through a structured, hands-on demonstration. Participants learn to organize ideas, explain concepts clearly, and utilize visual aids or materials to educate others about a topic in agriculture or agricultural education. The event encourages creativity, enhances public speaking, and promotes agricultural literacy by requiring students to demonstrate real-world applications of agricultural knowledge.
In alignment with the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (AFNR) Cluster Skills and Career Readiness Practice Standards, this event supports early career development and helps students gain confidence and competency in presenting agricultural content.

Objectives

1. Offer leadership development training to members.
2. Promote and inform the public about the many facets of the agricultural education instructional program.
3. Provide an exchange of improved ideas, methods and techniques among the chapters within the district.
4. Add to the interest and involvement of the members at the District Leadership Meetings.
5. Be a normal and natural outgrowth of the instructional program in agricultural education.
6. A demonstration must involve actual materials and/or illustrations.

DISTRICTS

Event Rules & Format

The Demonstration events are held at the District Leadership Meetings and State LDE Day.

Each chapter may enter one demonstration at the District level. The number of members involved shall be determined by the chapter but must not be more than three.

Demonstrations are to be between 5 and 15 minutes in length. Eight points will be deducted from the contestants score for each minute (or major fraction thereof) under or exceeding this time limit.

The complete rules, policies and procedures relevant to all ND FFA Career and Leadership Development Events may be found in the General Rules.

Contest Eligibility

1. To be eligible to participate the student must be enrolled in an agricultural education course and appear on the chapter FFA membership roster.
2. Participants in the Demonstration event must be 10th grade or younger.

North Dakota FFA Association — Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy

The North Dakota FFA Association adopts and adheres to the National FFA Organization's official AI Policy in full. All North Dakota FFA members, chapters, advisors, and state staff are expected to follow the guidelines set forth by the National FFA Organization regarding the appropriate and responsible use of artificial intelligence (AI) tools in FFA activities, competitive events, and academic work.

For the complete and current National FFA AI Policy, including detailed guidelines on appropriate use, please visit:

🔗 **https://ffa.app.box.com/v/NFFAAIPolicy**

Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the North Dakota FFA Association state office.

Team Activities

Presentation

All demonstrations must be of an agricultural nature or be related to some facet of agricultural education/FFA. Demonstrations must demonstrate some skill or process related to agriculture/agricultural education. No live animals may be used for demonstration purposes.

Individual Activities

Not applicable

Scoring

Presentation

1. See Scoresheet on ndffa.org. Score sheets will be returned to chapter advisors following the contest.

Scoring Summary

Event	Individual Points	Notes
Presentation	0-100	

Awards

Each demonstration will be judged, and proper awards will be made in gold, silver and bronze categories. The top two district demonstrations are eligible for state competition.

References

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The following list contains references that may prove helpful during event preparation. The most current edition of resources will be used.

- Resources found on ndffa.org

STATE

Event Rules & Format

Procedures, score sheets and rules will be the same as those used at the district level. Topics and ability to perform are dependent upon the location (facility) of the event.

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The two top participants from each district will be evaluated at the State LDE Demonstration event. All entries will be rated as gold, silver, or bronze.

The high team/individual will receive the "baby bison" trophy(s), and possession of the traveling trophy for one year. A $250.00 award and a $500.00 travel stipend to the National FFA Convention will be awarded by the ND FFA Foundation.

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Scoresheet

DEMONSTRATION CONTEST AWARD SCORE CARD

Score:

Team			Chapter
THIS SCORE SHEET MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CHAPTER ADVISOR AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONTEST.			
JUDGING CRITERIA	**POINTS ALLOWED**	**POINTS EARNED**	**JUDGE'S COMMENT**
Relationship of the demonstration to the instructional program in agricultural education (student must explain how their demonstration relates to agriculture/agricultural education during their presentation)	15 points		
Quality of materials, aids and/or handouts used in the demonstration	25 points		
Audience appeal including clarity and ease of understanding by viewers	20 points		
Technical skill shown and general effect	25 points		
Answer to questions	15 points		
Time deductions when demonstration exceeds fifteen minutes or is under five minutes (8 pts/minute)			
FINAL TOTAL	**100 POINTS**		
PLACING			
JUDGE			**DATE**
OTHER COMMENTS:			

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Content Standards

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