

**95th ANNUAL
KANSAS STATE CAREER
DEVELOPMENT
EVENTS IN AGRICULTURE**

**SUNDAY, MONDAY and TUESDAY
MAY 5-7, 2019
KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
MANHATTAN, KS**



You are cordially invited to represent your high school and FFA chapter in the 95th annual Kansas State Career Development Events in Agriculture to be held at Kansas State University, May 5-7, 2019.

We are pleased to have you participate in the Career Development Events and to be the guests of Kansas State University and the College of Agriculture, sponsors of the Career Development Events.

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Important Dates

Registration Deadline	Wednesday, April 24, 2019, by 11:59 p.m.
Entry Fees Due	Wednesday, May 1, 2019, by 5 p.m.
State FFA CDE's	Sunday, May 5, 2019 – Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Mailing Address

Kansas State University
College of Agriculture - Ag Academic Programs
117 Waters Hall
Manhattan, KS 66506

GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration Entries of teams and team members in the Kansas State Career Development Events in Agriculture **must be entered by 11:59 pm on Wednesday, April 24, 2019.** Entries are made on this website. *No other form of entry will be accepted. No additional teams or chapters will be allowed to register after April 24th.* Chapters/teams who are not entered by 11:59 p.m. on April 24, 2019, cannot participate in the events.

No team member substitutions will be allowed after the registration deadline, unless accepted by the coordinator of the career development event. Exceptions will be made in the case of illness, emergency, or death of a family member or close friend. Individual contest coordinators are the **ONLY** people who may grant exceptions to this policy. To be considered as registered, the students' full names must be entered and they must be FFA members.

Entry Fees There is a \$10.00 entry fee *per CDE team*. There is NOT an entry fee for LDEs. **Fees are due by May 1, 2019.** Failure to pay will result in the chapter not being able to participate. Checks should be made payable to Kansas State University and sent to Agriculture Academic Programs, 117 Waters Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506. Questions should be directed to Jordan Pieschl by phone, (785) 532-5121, or by e-mail, jpieschl@ksu.edu.

Late Arrivals Once a CDE has started, late arrivals are not allowed to join a CDE. Exceptions to this policy may only be granted by the coordinator of the CDE.

- Eligibility** Any high school student who meet the following stipulations will be eligible to compete in the Kansas State Career Development Events in Agriculture.
- a. Currently enrolled undergraduate high school student who is successfully carrying at least four units of high school work.
 - b. Less than 20 years of age.
 - c. Has not received two gold medals as an individual in the Kansas State Career Development Events in Agriculture held at Manhattan, Kansas, in the event (area) in which he/she plans to compete and/or has not been a member of a team that represented Kansas in the National FFA Career Development Event in that area.
 - d. Is a member of a Kansas FFA Association chapter deemed in “good standing” with the Kansas FFA Association.

For example: A contestant who had previously entered the Dairy Cattle CDE would be eligible to re-enter the Dairy Cattle Evaluation CDE as long as he/she meets the other eligibility rules and has not received two gold medals in the state Dairy Cattle Evaluation CDE or competed in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation Career Development Event. The same criteria will be followed in all Career Development Events.

Chapters that are not in good standing with the Kansas FFA Association will **not be allowed to compete or participate in Kansas FFA CDEs**. No individual or team shall be eligible to compete in the agricultural events who has inspected or worked on university livestock, products or specimens within 10 days prior to the event.

Recommendations

The KAAE strongly encourages Ag Education Instructors:

- a. ***to send only quality individuals who understand the CDE and its workings***
- b. ***to stop using state CDEs as ‘dumping grounds’ or a ‘baby-sitting service’***
- c. ***to stop using state CDEs as an exploratory event for first time or future contestants***
- d. ***to send contestants with the proper dress and equipment for that CDE, including pencils for computer-graded events***

Teams Four-member teams are allowed to participate in the Agricultural Communications, Farm and Agribusiness Management, Ag Technology and Mechanical Systems, Agricultural Sales, Agronomy, Dairy Cattle Evaluation, Milk Quality and Products, Entomology, Food Science and Technology, Floriculture, Horse Evaluation, Livestock Evaluation, Meats Evaluation and Technology, Nursery & Landscape, Poultry Evaluation, and Veterinary Science events.

Individuals Chapters that do not find it possible to send a team to compete may enter less than the number needed for a full team in any of the events. Such entries would compete only for individual awards.

Dress

Participants should recognize they are representing their individual chapters and schools, as well as the Kansas FFA Association, when participating in CDEs. Appropriate dress should be worn during events and during the awards ceremony by all students. Shorts, tank tops and slogan t-shirts are strongly discouraged. FFA jackets are recommended for the awards ceremony. FFA jackets are not to be worn while the contestants are giving oral reasons in the Dairy, Horse and Livestock Evaluation events. Participants in Milk Quality and Products need to be in long pants, shirts with sleeves, and closed shoes with socks. Participants in Meats Evaluation must wear hairnets (provided) and head covering. Shorts and sandals/flip-flops will not be allowed. Hats or ball caps should not be worn inside any university classrooms and will not be allowed in CDEs. **Smart watches will not be permitted in any CDEs.**

Materials

Contestants will be provided with appropriate forms or cards on which to indicate the placing of each class. All contestants should bring a clipboard and several No. 2 pencils. Some events will be utilizing new forms that will require this equipment.

If a student uses a pen instead of pencil when filling out a Scantron, that student's scores are not guaranteed to be correct and may be dropped from the scoring process. In the case in which a student uses a pen, the coordinators are not responsible for manual entry in CDEs in which Scantrons are used.

No tests, materials, items, etc., are allowed to leave the CDE unless coordinators state otherwise. If items are taken or students/chapters/advisors are found with them, this will result in disqualification of that chapter from that individual CDE.

Ties

- Team and individual tie scores in the Dairy Cattle, Horse and Livestock Evaluation events will be broken by the total reasons score(s).
- Ties in the Meats Evaluation and Technology event will be broken by questions.
- Ties in Floriculture and Nursery/Landscape will be broken by team score in identification.
- Team and individual tie scores in Food Science and Technology will be broken using:
 1. Examination score (for teams, all four scores will be added)
 2. Food safety practicum score
 3. Aroma score
 4. Triangle testIf the tie is not broken by these tiebreakers, the coordinators will select the most challenging food safety photo question from the food safety practicum as the fifth tiebreaker.
- Team and individual tie scores in the Agronomy event will be broken by:
 1. Seed analysis
 2. Grain grading
 3. Identification

- Tiebreakers in Milk Quality and Products are:
 1. Milk Marketing / Written Test
 2. Milker/Unit Score and Defects
 3. Cheese ID
- Tiebreakers in Veterinary Science are:
 1. Identification Scores
 2. Written Exam Scores
 3. Scenario questions
 4. Practicums

Tabulation The best efforts of university personnel will be utilized to provide all official results at the awards ceremony. Any contest tabulation not completed by the end of the awards ceremony will be available on the website as soon as possible.

In the event of an error in tabulation of CDE results, the K-State Chair of the CDE coordinating committee and the specific CDE coordinator will resolve written appeals associated only with tabulation errors. Written appeals from FFA advisors must be made within 48 hours of the posting of CDE results on the web. Event coordinators may also initiate a review of the tabulation. Except for such written appeals in which tabulation error(s) are detected, results posted on the web are considered final and official results. When tabulation errors have been determined for individual student awards, duplication of medals or certificates may be necessary. When errors have been determined for team awards, plaques must be returned by the team(s) who received them in error. Official judges' decisions are final and are not eligible for appeal.

Eligibility for teams representing Kansas in the National Career Development Events

Team members must be eligible for the national competition at the time they win the state event to represent Kansas in the National FFA Career Development Events. If the Kansas team winning first place in the state CDE consists of one or more team members who are ineligible for the national Career Development Event, the next place team with all members eligible shall represent Kansas in the national event. Teams qualifying to participate in the Career Development Events, Leadership Development Events and other competitive events above state competition must maintain 50% of the original qualifying team members in order to represent the Kansas FFA Association at the national event. (1/2002)

Awards Medals and Plaques are courtesy of the KSU Ag Alumni Association and the Manhattan Convention and Visitors Bureau. Team plaques: First, second, and third place teams will receive a plaque for their ranking in each of the events. Gold medals: A medal will be awarded to each of the ten high individuals in the Gold Division, in each of the events.

Teams and individuals competing will be ranked by their scores in each of the events. The highest 50 percent of teams and individuals competing in each event will receive special recognition as follows: (1) the highest 10 percent to be placed in the Gold Division; (2) the next 20 percent to be placed in the Silver Division; and (3) the next 20 percent to be placed in the Bronze Division.

Electronic Devices

During the Kansas State FFA Career Development Events, the following policy will be enforced:

No smart watches, cell phones, MP3 players, etc. will be allowed in any CDE for ANY reason (not even as calculators or clocks). If a group leader, CDE official, or agriculture teacher sees a student pull out a cell phone, MP3 player, etc., the student will be disqualified immediately and asked to leave the event – NO EXCEPTIONS!

If students have their smart watches, cell phones, MP3 players, etc. in their pockets during an event, they are to be turned off. If cell phones, MP3 players, etc. "accidentally" go off in the middle of an event, students will be disqualified and asked to leave the event immediately. In addition, no cell phones, MP3 players, etc. will be allowed in CDE "holding rooms", such as Par Law, Public Speaking, etc. Even if turned off, cell phones, MP3 players, etc. are not to be found in any holding room whatsoever.

Disabilities Special accommodations will be granted for those with medically documented disabilities.