

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: FFA Advisors

From: Carmen Bracey, State FFA Advisors

Re: 2022 FFA Tractor and Truck Driving Event at the Southern Farm Show

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The 2022 Tractor and Truck Safety & Skills CDEs will be held on February 3, 2022. Orientation will begin at 10:00 am. Students must have qualified through a federation level event. Please see the attached letter for additional information.

Registration fees for this event are \$10 per student. You will receive an invoice *after* the event, please do not bring payment to the event.

ONLINE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS
PLEASE REGISTER BY **January 28, 2022**

1. Go to ncffa.org and underneath the main homepage area, you will see 3 boxes – click on the one that says [Register & Request](#).
2. Click on **Truck Driving or Tractor Driving**. This will take you to judgincard.com.
3. Sign in using your username and password.
4. Click "Update My Info" to add teachers and email addresses to the account.
5. Click "Event Registration & Information," select the February 2022 calendar, and click the NC FFA State Truck and Tractor Driving on February 3.
6. Register for the event.
7. A completed and signed waiver form must also be submitted for each registered student on theaet.com.
8. Click Submit when all the applicable fields have been entered and you have printed a copy for your records (optional).

JudgingCard accounts have been created for every FFA Chapter in North Carolina. To sign in, the username is 'NC' followed by their 4-digit chapter number: "NC0001", for example. The password has been preset to the same thing, with a capital "NCxxxx". If you don't know your login information, please contact megan_blanke@ncsu.edu.

COVID Precautions

- Masks will be required for all attendees.
- If students require a mask exemption, the proper documentation should be submitted to carmen_bracey@ncsu.edu when the student is registered to be considered.
- Equipment will be cleaned periodically throughout the event.
- Students will be encouraged to maintain social distancing.

- Students, advisors, or chaperones that are experiencing COVID-like symptoms or have tested positive for COVID within 72 hours of the event should not attend. Students, advisors or chaperones that have been recommended to quarantine or have family members that have tested positive for COVID or have been recommended to quarantine should not attend.
- If any student, advisor, or chaperone tests positive within three days of the event, the participating advisor should contact the State FFA Coordinator at carmen_bracey@ncsu.edu.

A few additional reminders:

- Follow the dress code outlined in the chapter guide to state FFA activities:
 - *The North Carolina FFA Dress Code for this event will be a collared shirt and long pants. T-shirts with FFA emblems and school logos are also acceptable. Students should wear close-toed shoes.*
- **No tobacco products are permitted.** *The NC FFA Tobacco Use Policy will also be in effect during this event. This means that tobacco products, Juuls, e-cigarettes, and vapes are not to be used at any time during any official FFA event.*
- No cell phones or other electronic devices (this includes Apple watches) are allowed. Have your students leave these devices with an advisor.
- *Violations of these policies will result in penalties as outlined in the 2021-2022 Event Guidelines.*
- Participation waivers are required for this event and must be signed by a parent if the student is under the age of 18. Waivers will be collected electronically through theaet.com. *Waivers should be submitted electronically prior to the event. **No waiver = no participation.***
- Advisors of students with special needs should notify the state office before the registration deadline.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at 919-513-0216.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, NC FFA will honor requests for reasonable accommodations made by individuals with disabilities. Please direct accommodation requests to: Carmen Bracey, carmen_bracey@ncsu.edu. Requests can be served more effectively if notice is provided at least 10 days before the event.

Please complete the online registration no later than January 28, 2022. The North Carolina FFA Association will invoice your chapter for the registration fee of \$10.00 per member. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Attachments:

Event Information from the Southern Farm Show

Tips for Attending the Southern Farm Show

Advisor Checklist

2022 FFA Tractor and Truck Driving Event at the Southern Farm Show



FFA Day at the Southern Farm Show will be Thursday, February 3rd. The Tractor and Truck Driving Events will be held in the James B. Hunt Horse Arena (same location as previous years). Orientation for the events will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. and all participants must be present for the orientation session.

Each federation may have one participant in each of the events. The chapter advisor must register the one participant. Please note that advisors are certifying that this is the only entry from the federation. Entry forms require parent/guardian signatures and participants are not allowed to participate without the signed parental consent forms.

Once the applications are received at the FFA office, participants will be registered unless they are notified otherwise. Participants will receive no additional correspondence from the FFA office. Event judging criteria/rules and course layouts are in the [NC FFA Event Guidelines](#) and also may be accessed but may be subject to a minor change. If there is a need for someone to substitute for the event the day of the event, a completed entry form must be brought to the event site. If you have questions about the event, please contact the FFA office.

Suggestions for bringing students to the Southern Farm Show are below. As we continue to invite FFA members to the show, we also ask your assistance in making their visit a good experience, not only for the students, but for the other show guests, and the exhibitors. To help reduce these problems, suggestions for attending the show are enclosed.

This year's show will be an excellent opportunity for students interested in agriculture. If there is anything we can do to make your visit more productive, please give us a call.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Zimmerman", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

David Zimmerman
Show Manager, Southern Farm Show
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Tips for FFA Advisors bringing students to the Southern Farm Show

1. Explain to your students what the show is about: This is a trade show for farmers and agribusiness people. Make sure they understand the importance of the show to exhibiting companies and that interference by anyone can result in business loss for the exhibitor.
2. Make the trip to the show a reward for students with a genuine interest in agriculture. Most of the problems associated with students at the show come from students who do not have an interest in agriculture.
3. Don't plan to stay too long. Although farmers with specific needs can easily spend a day at the show, students with no set agenda can see the show in two or three hours. Again, when they are bored is when they get into trouble.
4. Give the students an assignment. Ask them to make a list of ten pieces of equipment they saw, who manufactures them, and where they are manufactured. Ask them to list the equipment uses and the cost. A good idea is to get a copy of the show program preprinted in the Southeast Farm Press. Look through the articles and ads and come up with your own project. Please refrain from giving them assignments that involve communication with exhibitors.
5. If at all possible, stay with your students, or plan to meet with them at certain times to check on their progress.

Advisor Checklist

To help things go smoothly during registration, please make sure you have completed the following prior to checking in:

- Signed waiver for each participant submitted electronically on theaet.com
- Masks for each participant
- Review registration material and Event Guidelines
- Review scorecard with students
- Check dress code!
 - No shorts
 - Closed-toe shoes
 - No cell phones
 - No smart watches
 - No tobacco/vapes

On-Site Checklist/After Registration

- Disperse and adhere name badges
- Review scorecard instructions with students (name, chapter #, contestant #, division, etc.)
- Direct participants to assigned location