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MEMORANDUM

To: Dairy Handler CDE Participants

From: Andy VonCanon, Western Region Coordinator

RE: State Dairy Handler Career Development Event

Date: January 30, 2024

The State Dairy Handler Career Development Event to be held **Friday**, **April 5**, **2024** at the Carolina Classic Fairgrounds in Winston-Salem upon the conclusion of the FFA Dairy Evaluation CDE. Please review these materials carefully and respond appropriately to ensure your chapter's eligibility for this CDE. FFA members <u>are eligible to compete in both</u> the Dairy Evaluation CDE as well as the Dairy Handler's CDE, as the events will be held on the same day, but not at the same time.

Please register your team members via www.judgingcard.com no later than **March 22, 2024.** To register, chapters should follow these instructions:

- 1. Go to www.JudgingCard.com.
- 2. Sign in using your username and password.
- 3. Click "Update My Info" to add teachers and email addresses to the account.
- 4. Click "Event Registration & Information," select the April 2024 calendar, and click the Dairy Evaluation & Handlers event on April 5.
- 5. Register for the event. Students are selected from a dropdown list. A completed and signed waiver form must be on theaet.com for students to be eligible for registration.
- 6. Save your information when all the applicable fields have been entered and you have printed a copy for your records (optional).

*JudgingCard.com accounts have been created for every FFA chapter in North Carolina. To sign in, the default username is 'NC' followed by your 4-digit chapter number (NCXXXX), for example NC0001. The password has been preset to the exact same thing, NCXXXX. If you need to have your password reset, please contact Brooke Francher at bmfranch@ncsu.edu.

The tentative start time for the event is 4:00pm. Use the Dairy Handler Event Guidelines found on ncffa.org to prepare. All participants should be in Official FFA Dress (See the description of official dress in the official FFA Manual). For safety reasons, participants will not be allowed to participate in the event with open heel or toe shoes.

For parking and other information, a link to the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds can be found at: <u>https://wsfairgrounds.com/</u>

Important Items to Remember

- 1. Follow the dress code outlined in the chapter guide to state FFA activities.
- 2. **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.
- *3.* No cell phones or other electronic devices (this includes Apple watches) are allowed. Have your students leave these devices with an advisor.
- 4. Violations of these policies will result in penalties as outlined in the current Event Guidelines.
- 5. 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.**
- 6. Advisors of students with special needs should notify the state office before the registration deadline.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, North Carolina FFA will honor requests for reasonable accommodations made by individuals with disabilities. Please direct accommodation requests through the CDE/LDE Accommodation Request Form. If the accommodation can be made for all and/or doesn't provide an unfair advantage, then every effort will be made to provide the accommodation. Requests can be accommodated more effectively if notice is provide at least 10 days before the event.

For further information please contact Andy VonCanon at 828-553-6296 or email <u>asvoncan@ncsu.edu.</u>

Thank you!