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MEMORANDUM

TO: Advisors of Prepared Public Speaking LDE Participants

FROM: Carmen Bracey, State FFA Coordinator

RE: 2021 NC FFA Prepared Public Speaking Virtual LDE

The 2021 Regional FFA Prepared Public Speaking Virtual LDE will be held on **April 28, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am.**

This event is open to any chapter in the state. Each chapter may submit one member to participate in the virtual event. There will only be one division for this event. There will be no junior division. There are no registration fees for this virtual leadership development event.

April 21, 2021 — Online Registration Deadline

Advisors must register their participant by the deadline in order to participate. Late entries will not be accepted.

To register, go to: <https://ncffa.org/ncffa-more/2020-2021-virtual-events/> and click on the "Prepared Public Speaking" link in the table. Please provide complete registration information for the student.

Advisors must provide a valid email address for the student at the time of registration. The email address for the student is needed to administer the online event.

Student waivers are required for virtual leadership development events and must be uploaded at the time of registration. One student waiver form has been created for all virtual career and leadership development events. The student waiver form is available in MS Word and PDF format on the registration website listed above. Waivers must have an original signature. Completed student waivers should be submitted online on the Regional Prepared Public Speaking LDE Registration page. Accepted file types for uploading include: MS Word, PDF, JPG, and PNG.

Virtual Event Format

This virtual leadership development event has been designed for students to participate from any location. Students may participate from the comfort and safety of their own home or any other location of their choosing. Teachers, parents, or proctors are not needed to be present with students during the event. Students simply need access to any device with a camera and audio capabilities that has an internet browser and an internet connection. The online event will be administered using Zoom. Please follow all local rules and regulations regarding group gatherings and visiting schools.

North Carolina FFA Honesty Pledge

Students should participate *individually*. All work they do should be the result of their own efforts with no assistance from anyone or any type of reference material other than their own manuscript.

North Carolina FFA Virtual CDE/LDE Dress Code

FFA members participating in a virtual CDE/LDE should be in official dress, a shirt with a collar, or an FFA/school shirt. No scoring penalty will be assessed if students do not have official dress.

Special Accommodations

Advisors should email carmen_bracey@ncsu.edu at the time of registration if any student requires any special accommodation to participate in the virtual leadership development event.

Prepared Public Speaking LDE Virtual Format

The **Regional Prepared Public Speaking LDE will be held on April 28, 2021, beginning at 9:00 am**. Once registration closes, participants will be emailed the approximate time they should join the Zoom meeting along with the login information.

Participants will present their prepared speech as outlined in the event guidelines found online at: https://ncffa.org/as/ncffa/i/chan/documents/Prepared_Public_Speaking_LDE_2019-20.pdf.

Participants will not be required to submit their manuscript at the regional level. Participants will not be asked any questions at the regional level. Participants will be recorded using Zoom and their presentation judged at a later time using the regional scoring criteria provided below.

Regional Scoring

Criteria	Points
Topic Relevance	30
Persuasive explanation of position	40
Alternative viewpoints recognized	20
Logical order and unity of thought	20
Supporting evidence (use of examples)	75
Persuasive use of evidence	75
Pace	75
Command of audience	100
Eye contact	50
Mannerisms and gestures	50
Poise	75
Total Possible Score	610

Once all regional participants have been scored, the top four overall scorers from the East Regions (NE, EC, SE, and SC) and the top four overall scorers from the West Regions (WC, SW, NW, and W) will be notified via email that they will advance to the state event.

The top eight participants advancing to the state event will then be required to email their prepared public speaking manuscript to carmen_bracey@ncsu.edu.

The **NC FFA State Prepared Public Speaking LDE will be held on May 19, 2021, beginning at 10:00 am.** The eight participants will be notified via email of the approximate time they should join the Zoom meeting along with the login information.

The state event will follow the procedures outlined in the event guidelines found online at: https://ncffa.org/as/ncffa/i/chan/documents/Prepared_Public_Speaking_LDE_2019-20.pdf. The participants will be scored on their manuscript, their presentation, and on the response to questions at the end of the speech presentation. There will only be one round at the state event; therefore, no flighting of individuals will be necessary. This event will be scored live with judges participating in the Zoom call.

State Scoring

Criteria	Points
Manuscript	200
Presentation	500
Response to Questions	300
Total Possible Score	1000

Final Results

After the presentation scores are tabulated, the results of the event will be shared via the NC FFA Listserv.

If you have any questions, please contact: Carmen Bracey, State FFA Coordinator,
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