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MEMORANDUM

TO: Advisors of FFA Poultry Evaluation Teams

FROM: Carmen Bracey, State FFA Coordinator

SUBJECT: 2023 State FFA Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event

The 2023 North Carolina FFA State Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at the NC State Fairgrounds located at 1025 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh, NC 27607. The event will be held in the Kerr Scott Building by Gate 11. Parking is located adjacent to the building.

Teams will be competing in a flight schedule. Specific time assignments will be provided to registered teams by February 10, 2023. All team members will compete at the scheduled time and complete the event in approximately 2 hours. Team members will not be in the same groups while competing. The contest will be open for advisor viewing for 30 minutes after all flights have concluded.

The cost of the event is \$10 per student. An invoice will be sent to your chapter **after** the event. Please do not bring payment to the event. A light lunch will be provided by the NCSU Poultry Science Club. Lunch will be available for grab-and-go from 11 AM to 2:00 PM.

A maximum of four participants will be allowed to participate per team. There are no junior or middle grades divisions. Please bring only those students who will be participating in the Poultry CDE.

[This event will follow established event guidelines.](#) Please review the event guidelines carefully. The guidelines were updated. A sample Scantron form is also posted online. Please make sure that all student participants are familiar with this Scantron form.

The test material will come from the following two units in the *Poultry Science Manual for National Career Development Events 7th Edition*.

- **Poultry Health Management**
- **Market Turkey Management**

Information to purchase this resource can be found through National FFA:

<https://ffa.app.box.com/s/03sht76tz28f6o8cwe51sksje8crv6u8/file/310174571390>

Please register team members via <http://www.judgingcard.com> Registration closes on **February 3, 2023, at 5:00 PM.**

To register:

1. Go to <http://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 February 2023 calendar, and click the NC FFA State Poultry Event on February 15.
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 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.

Important Items to Remember

1. Follow the dress code outlined in the chapter guide to state FFA activities:
 - a. *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.*
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.
7. Teachers will receive instructions, Scantron forms, and oral reason cards for their students when they check-in at registration on the day of the event. Please plan to arrive in plenty of time to assist students in placing the correct information on their scoring cards.
8. Students must bring their own #2 pencils to the event for the Scantron form. NC FFA will provide clipboards for all participants. Students may **not** use their own clipboards.
9. Students should write their placement for the oral reasons class on the Scantron form **and** on the oral reasons scorecard.
10. Students should bring their own blank materials for taking notes for oral reasons. Only blank paper or notebooks without writing or notes will be allowed. Students may not use any notes while giving oral reasons.
11. Advisors are asked to remind their students to eat before the event.
12. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** When evaluating live animals, the welfare of animals is important and should be considered. Being well-trained in handling hens is important to prevent discomfort or harm to them. In order to maintain the welfare of the hens, the procedure described in the manual should be adhered to. It is also discussed in the following video:

Proper handling and holding a chicken (Penn State University)

13. Please contact Erin Landgdale at elangda@ncsu.edu with any special needs or dietary restrictions prior to the registration deadline of February 3, 2023.

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.

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

Attachments:

Advisor Checklist

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

- Completed waiver for each participant submitted electronically on theaet.com
- Two sharpened #2 pencils with erasers for each participant
- Blank scratch paper for each participant (clipboards provided by NC FFA)
- Review registration material and the CDE Guidelines
- Review Scantron form with students for correct marking procedures
- Check dress code
 - No shorts
 - Closed-toe shoes
- No cell phones or electronic devices of any type
- No tobacco/vapes

On-Site Checklist/After Registration

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