

PA FFA Ag Issues Forum 2023

Career Development Event

Chairperson Information

CDE Chairperson	Dianna K. Jarema and Krista Pontius
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Best Contact Number	717-752-6260 (texting available)
Contest Date/Times	Monday, January 9, 2023 - 9 AM (Team presentation times scheduled in advanced)
Contest Location	PA Farm Show Building, Room TBA (near the Allegheny Room)
CDE Review Time	n/a
CDE Review Location	n/a

Basic CDE Guidelines

Event Type: Team	# of Team Members: 3-7 members
<u>Individual Materials List</u>	<u>Group Materials List</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any materials needed to present should be provided by the team except one easel and a front projection screen. (The Farm Show also provides 6' tables and chairs.) • Portfolio: ten single-sided pages or five double-sided pages maximum (Three parts, 25 points total) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Summary of the issue, two pages maximum (15 points). 2. Bibliography (10 points) 3. Documentation of local forums (0 points at state event). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. All forums, require independent verification of when, where and to whom forums were presented, and independent verification of presentation times if more than one forum is held on the same day 4. Maximum of ten points will be deducted

	<p>for exceeding the maximum number of pages and/or for not including the cover page containing the required information.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Attire</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentations may include official FFA dress, costumes, props, skits and other creative paraphernalia. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CDE At-A-Glance (List of major components)</u></p> <p>The agricultural issue could come from one of the following eight agricultural issue topic areas as listed in the Focusing on Agricultural Issues Instructional Materials (http://web.ics.purdue.edu/~peters/HTML/issue-analysis/teaching-materials.html):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Environmental Issues 2. Agricultural Technology Issues 3. Animal Issues 4. Agricultural Career Issues 5. Economy and Trade Issues 6. Agricultural Policy Issues 7. Food Safety Issues 8. Biotechnology Issues <p>Team Presentation (125 points total)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction, Pro, Con and Summary of Pro and Con- (80 points total) 2. Effectiveness of Presentation (20 points) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. participation of each team member. b. creative in how main points are made. (It makes no difference, for the “creativity” score, if the team is in costume or official FFA dress.) c. quality and power of the presentations. d. speaks at the right pace to be clear. e. pronunciation of words is clear and intent apparent. f. no distracting mannerisms that affect effectiveness. g. gestures are purposeful and effective. h. well poised with good stage presence.

3. Questions (25 points) - Appropriate response and knowledge of the issue will be evaluated from team members' responses.

4. There will be a five point deduction from the scorecard of any team that draws a conclusion supporting a pro or con viewpoint during the formal presentation. During the question period, students may draw a conclusion supporting a pro or con viewpoint if asked to do so by a judge.

Pre-State CDE Expectations

- Portfolio may include pictures of presentations and letters of support, but no deductions will be made if this portion is not included for the state competition. The winning Chapter will need to provide an updated Portfolio including all National FFA requirements for this CDE to the person in charge of National FFA CDE registration. ***The winning team advisor should be in contact with the Tabulations committee at PSU in June, as well as the FFA Executive Secretary so as not to miss any National FFA Registration deadlines.***

Other CDE Information?

- A **pdf copy** of the Portfolio is due to the Chairperson by December 15th. Email to: djarema@bermudian.org OR snail mail – Dianna Jarema, Bermudian Springs HS, 7335 Carlisle Pike, York Springs, PA 17372
It must include, as a separate sheet, the names of all participants in this CDE.

**Winners will NOT be announced at Mid-Winter Convention, but will be included in the Tuesday Newsletter from the Center for Professional Development and the Team will be recognized at PSU in June.*

CDE Rules

CDE Component	Points	Component Description
*Scorecards found on page 6-7 of National FFA Handbook and uploaded to the PA FFA Website.		** See scorecards for PA FFA Event.
Equipment		Equipment must be provided by the presenting group. No computers, extension cords, projectors or technology of any kind will be provided. The room consists of chairs, tables and when possible, a podium.
<p>Causes for Disqualification: using the same issue topic from previous years; team members returning to compete for another year after already winning a trip; incorrect number of participants; non-members participating in LDE.</p>		
<p>Tie-breaker: Ties will be broken based on the greatest number of low ranks. If a tie still exists, then the event superintendent will rank the team's response to questions. The team with the greatest number of low ranks from the response to questions will be declared the winner.</p>		

Resources

Agricultural Issues Forum - 90th National FFA Convention & Expo, 2017

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z5QyBX05hZo&t=1132s>

[National FFA Ag Issues LDE Handbook, revised 01/22](#)

[Scorecards for Portfolio for PA FFA Event](#)

[Scorecards/Rubrics for Presentations/Overall for PA FFA Event](#)