

PA FFA Nursery Landscape Career Development Event



Chairperson Information

CDE Chairperson	Britney Marsh	
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Contest Date/Times	June 12th at 8AM	
Contest Location	Head House #1	
CDE Review Time	At the end of the CDE on Wednesday	
CDE Review Location	Head House #1 Room #1	

Basic CDE Guidelines

Event Type: Individual/Team	# of Team Members: 4
Individual Materials List Students are responsible for bringing the following: • Calculator • Clean clipboard • Two or more sharpened pencils • Architect's Scale	Group Materials List ■ N/A
 Attire Work appropriate attire Official Dress not required Work boots required 	 CDE At-A-Glance (List of major components) Phase 1 Team Activity 100 points Phase 2 General Knowledge Exam 50 points Phase 3 50 Plants, Pests & Tools for ID 50 points Phase 4 Verbal Customer Assistance 50 points Phase 5 Team Skills Challenge-50 or 100 points each Phase 6-Landscape Estimating-50 points Total points 350-450 points depending on Team Skills

Pre-State CDE Expectations

• Verbal Customer Service Assistance will be conducted prior to State Convention. A sign-up link will be emailed out for students to sign up for a time slot. Supporting documents will be sent out the day before for students to reference during the phone call.

CDE Changes from Previous Years

Addition of the Team Skills Challenge. National FFA lists 21 possible team skills activities. 2 to 3 will be chosen each year for the team to participate in. National FFA rubrics will be followed.
 Please note: The start-up of equipment will be prohibited.

CDE Outline

CDE Component	Points	Component Description
Phase 1-Team Activity	150 points	This practicum involves the team members working together toward accomplishing an assignment. It is designed to evaluate individual and group contributions in coordination and cooperation of knowledge, evaluation, and decision-making. The team activity has two parts: 1) Team preparation-team members will receive a prompt and have 30 minutes to prepare to sell or pitch their ideas to their audience (the judges). 2) Team Presentation- Each of the team members will make a verbal presentation to a judge based upon decisions made during the preparation part.
Phase 2-General Knowledge Exam	50 points	50 objective multiple-choice questions will be prepared on topics reflecting subject areas in the objective. This area will evaluate the participant's knowledge and understanding of basic horticultural principles in producing, marketing, using, and maintaining landscape plants and turf.
Phase 3-50 Plants, Pests & Tools for ID	50 points	Participants will identify 50 items selected from the provided list covering the following categories: Plant Materials, Pests and Disorders, Equipment and Supplies
Phase 4-Verbal Customer Assistance*	50 points	This interpersonal relations practicum is designed to evaluate participant knowledge of and ability in 1) verbal communication 2) sales and customer assistance skills 3) plant materials, plant culture and problems and 4) nursery center supplies and equipment. *This will be done prior to the convention via e-mail
Phase 5-Team Skills Challenge	50 points or 100 points each	Each team will be given four skills. Members will decide who will perform each of the skills (each member must do a skill). An official will observe and score each participant during this practicum. The skills will align with National FFA's Handbook on page 17. Skill #2, 14, 16, & 20 will not be included in the rotation. Skill #12 & 15 (when they come up in the rotation) will be stand alone and completed as a team.
Phase 6-Landscape Estimating	50 points	Each participant will need to evaluate a landscape design, read a landscape drawing, determine materials needed to execute a landscape plan, and/or estimate maintenance costs in a design.

Causes for Disqualification:

- 1. Communication among other contestants is not allowed except during the team activities.
- 2. Any participant in possession of an electronic device in the event area is subject to disqualification.

Tie-Breakers: If needed in the case of tied individual or team total scores, final placings will be determined by comparing, in order, scores for the following:

- 1. Phase 2 Written Exam
- 2. Phase 3 Identification Section

Resources:

National FFA