



PA FFA Nursery Landscape Career Development Event



Chairperson Information

CDE Chairperson	Britney Marsh
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Contest Date/Times	TBD
Contest Location	Head House #1 & Tyson Building
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
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Individual Materials List</u></p> <p>Each student is responsible for bringing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Calculator ● Clean clipboard ● Two or more sharpened pencils ● Architect's Scale ● Ear Protection ● Safety Glasses ● Gloves ● Hard Hat 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Group Materials List</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Attire</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Work appropriate attire ● Official Dress not required ● Work boots required 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CDE At-A-Glance (List of major components)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Phase 1-General Knowledge Exam 25 points ● Phase 2-50 Plants, Pests & Tools for ID 50 points ● Phase 3-Verbal Customer Assistance 50 points ● Phase 4A- Team Skills Challenge-50 or 100 points/skill ● Phase 4B-Team Cooperation-50 points/team ● Phase 5-Landscape Estimating-50 points
<p><u>Pre-State CDE Expectations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N/A 	
<p><u>CDE Changes from Previous Years</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Updated Plant ID list (refer to Nationals 2025 List) 	

2. No Team Presentation
3. General Knowledge Exam will be reduced to 25 questions
4. No Equipment or Supplies ID
5. Team Preparation will be replaced with Team Cooperation

CDE Outline

CDE Component	Points	Component Description
<i>Phase 1-General Knowledge Exam</i>	25 points	25 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.
<i>Phase 2-50 Plants, Pests & Disorders for ID</i>	50 points	Participants will identify 50 items selected from the provided list covering the following categories: Plants, Pests, Disorders, & Beneficial Insects
<i>Phase 3-Verbal Customer Assistance</i>	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.
<i>Phase 4-A: Team Skills Challenge</i>	400 team points	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 the National FFA Handbook on page 17. Skill #2, 14, 16, & 20 will not be included in the rotation.
<i>Phase 4-B Team Cooperation</i>	50 team points	This practicum is designed to evaluate how well the participants organize and work together in planning and accomplishing each task in the team skills.
<i>Phase 5-Landscape Estimating</i>	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 1 – Written Exam
2. Phase 2 – Identification Section

Resources:

National FFA