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TO: FFA Advisors, State Officers and Executive Committee
FROM: Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist
CC: Nancy J. Trivette, Program Leader for Agricultural Education/State FFA Advisor
RE: Summer Career Development Events at Burlington County Fair

The New Jersey FFA Association is hosting three Career Development Events (Safe Tractor Operators Event, Horse Evaluation, and Dairy Handlers Activity) at the Burlington County Fair in July 2017. Events will be held at the Burlington County Fairgrounds – 1990 Jacksonville-Jobstown Road, Mansfield NJ 08022. **Please submit completed participant lists to ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us by June 1, 2017.** See below for the list of dates and times for each event.

Safe Tractor Operators Event

Conducted by the Central Jersey Tractor Pullers Association
Tuesday, July 18, 2017
Registration – 3:00 pm

Event Begins – 3:30 pm – until last operator competes

Awards will be handed out at the end of the event. Please allow some time to tabulate the scores.

EVENT INFORMATION

1. All participants must be FFA members in good standing in their respective chapter.
2. Four participants from each chapter, unless otherwise announced.
3. This event will be used to select the individual to represent New Jersey FFA at the Big E in September.
4. An adult chaperone approved by the local school must accompany the student to the event.
5. The participant's **waiver MUST** be submitted prior to July 18. **NO** forms will be accepted on the day of the event. The waiver can be found in the electronic registration and is required for participation.
6. Official rules of the event will be provided at a later date.
7. Proper attire must be worn during the entire event – boots, work clothes, long pants, and shirt with sleeves (not cut off). Gloves can be worn, if desired.
8. Additional information will be provided closer to the event.

Horse Evaluation Career Development Event

Conducted by the Burlington County Fair Horse Committee
Wednesday, July 19, 2017
Registration – 8:30 am

Event Begins – 9:00 am – until the completion of oral reasons

Awards will be handed out at the end of the event. Please allow some time to tabulate the scores.

EVENT INFORMATION

1. All participants must be FFA members in good standing in their respective chapter.
2. One team from each chapter (4 members per team).
3. This event will be used to select the team to represent New Jersey FFA at the Big E in September and National FFA Convention in October (if team meets 60% mastery).
4. An adult chaperone approved by the local school must accompany the student to the event.
5. The event will consist of an Individual Identification Exam, two-three halter classes, one-two performance classes, two classes of reasons (one in halter and one in performance) and one team activity (consisting of up to four practical application activities). Descriptions for all of these areas can be found in the National FFA CDE Handbook.
6. Students should wear a FFA Shirt (with sleeves)/Polo and long pants. No shorts or open-toed shoes. Please wear appropriate footwear for being around horses.
7. Additional information will be provided closer to the event.

Dairy Handlers Activity

Conducted by the Burlington County Fair Dairy Committee

Saturday, July 22, 2017

Registration – 8:30 am

Event Begins – 9:00 am – until last student shows

Awards will be handed out at the end of the event. Please allow some time to tabulate the scores.

EVENT INFORMATION

1. All participants must be FFA members in good standing in their respective chapter.
2. Four participants from each chapter, unless otherwise announced.
3. This event will be used to select the individuals (up to four) to represent New Jersey FFA at the Big E in September and the one individual to represent New Jersey FFA at the National FFA Convention in October (if team meets 60% mastery).
4. An adult chaperone approved by the local school must accompany the student to the event.
5. The event will consist of the student handling a dairy animal (chosen at random) based on the score card outlined in the National FFA CDE Handbook.
6. Dairy whites and FFA tie/scarf should be worn. Participants must provide their own show harness.
7. Additional information will be provided closer to the event.

PAYMENT:

*A \$9.00 fee per participant will be assessed for each chapter participating. *If your chapter has at least Blue Affiliation, the fee is waived. Please make checks payable to **Treasurer, State of NJ. Checks made out to Treasurer, State of New Jersey (\$9.00/ registrant//summer CDEs)** should be sent to the **Office of Agricultural Education, New Jersey Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625.***