



# UTAH FFA ASSOCIATION

## Area Contest Help Sheet

Please review all information below for a successful Area contest!

### **The following contests and awards should be completed at your Area Contest:**

- Conduct of Chapter Meetings LDE
- Creed Speaking LDE
- Extemporaneous Speaking LDE
- Parliamentary Procedure LDE
- Prepared Public Speaking LDE
- State Star Awards
- Star Greenhand Awards
- State FFA Degree Candidates
- American FFA Degree Candidates
- Proficiency Awards

All LDE handbooks can be found on [www.FFA.org](http://www.FFA.org). The Utah FFA Association closely follows the National FFA LDE Handbook for each LDE. Rubrics and rules can be found online within each handbook.

Each Area may choose to accept either hard copy or electronic record books and applications. Please communicate within your Area so you are sure what is accepted.

### **Conduct of Chapter Meetings LDE**

- The Conduct of Chapter Meetings LDE participants must be in 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the area and state competitions.
- The following materials will be provided to each area:
  - Motions and Oral Questions
  - 25 question test

### **Creed Speaking LDE**

- Participants must be in grades 7-10.
- Chapters may submit two contestants unranked to the Area Creed CDE.
- Areas may submit two contestants unranked to the State Creed CDE.
- At least one of the two Area winners submitted for state competition must be eligible to compete in the National Creed CDE (must be an eligible member in grades 7-9).
- The following materials will be provided to each area:
  - 3 pre-determined questions that each contestant should be asked

### **Extemporaneous Public Speaking LDE**

- The Extemporaneous Public Speaking LDE participants may be in 7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the area and state competitions.
- Computers for speech preparation will be provided at the state level, as per the National FFA rules. Areas may or may not choose to implement computers depending on resources.
- The following materials will be provided to each area:
  - 18 speaking topics, which will include three from each of the following categories:
    - Agricultural literacy and advocacy
    - Current agricultural issues
    - Advancing agriculture through agriculture science
    - Current technology uses and applications in agriculture
    - Agrimarketing and international agriculture
    - Food and fiber systems

### **Parliamentary Procedure LDE**

- The Parliamentary Procedure LDE participants may be in 7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the area and state competitions.
- The following materials will be provided to each area:
  - Motions and Oral Questions
  - 45 question test

### **Prepared Public Speaking LDE**

- The Prepared Public Speaking LDE participants may be in 7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the area and state competitions.
- 5 hard copies of the winning speech must be submitted, as well as one electronic copy.

## **State Star Awards**

- The four State Star Award Categories are:
  - State Star Farmer
  - State Star in Placement
  - State Star in Agribusiness
  - State Star in Agriscience
- Each chapter may submit one State Star candidate to the Area contest in each of the four categories.
- Each Area may submit two unranked winners to the state level for judging.
- Students must be 2022 State FFA Degree Candidates.
- Area winning applications will be judged and 4 finalists will be selected to be interviewed at the State FFA Convention.
- Finalist rankings will be announced and winners recognized on stage at the State FFA Convention.

## **Star Greenhand Awards**

- The four Star Greenhand Award Categories are:
  - Star Greenhand in Production
  - Star Greenhand in Agricultural Placement
  - Star Greenhand in Agribusiness
  - Star Greenhand in Agriscience
- Each chapter may submit one candidate to the Area contest in each of the four categories.
- Candidates must have completed no more than one full year of instruction in agricultural education above the 8<sup>th</sup> grade level. The candidate can be in the second year of agricultural education instruction at the time of application.
- All applications submitted to the state will be judged and 4 finalists will be selected and announced from each category.
- Finalist rankings will be announced and winners recognized on stage at the State FFA Convention.

## **State FFA Degree Candidates**

- Each State FFA Degree application must be reviewed by an advisor not from the same chapter as the degree candidate.
- The Utah FFA Association State Degree Area Check List must be used.
- Please simply input names into the results form and make sure they are submitted to state on AET.

## **American FFA Degree Candidates**

- Each American FFA Degree application must be reviewed by an advisor not from the same chapter as the degree candidate.
- Please use the “[American FFA Degree Manual Review Sheet](#)” and the “[Community Service Guidelines for FFA Degrees](#)” to ensure that SAE projects and community service entries meet all requirements. Examples are provided in these documents.
- Please simply input names into the results form and make sure they are submitted to state on AET by February 15th.

## **Proficiency Awards**

- Each Area may submit one winner in each of the Proficiency Award Categories.
- Area winning Proficiency Awards will be judged in February, and winners will be announced shortly after judging is complete.
- Winners will be recognized on stage at the State FFA Convention.

## **Area Contest Results Form**

- Results Forms will be submitted electronically through an online form.
- Area Chairs will be sent the link to the JotForm and should only submit it once.
- Results and all required materials must be submitted by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

## **Re-cap of Required Items to Submit by February 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Area Contest Results Form (electronic)
- 5 hard copies of winning Prepared Public speech
- 1 electronic copy of winning Prepared Public Speech
- NO hard copy record books need to be submitted to state—all will be accessed online.

