

Foreward- Region Responsibilities

The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and the Minnesota Association of Agricultural Educators (MAAE) has tasked the MAAE CDE/LDE Committee with revising the Minnesota FFA Career and Leadership Development Events State Rules. The Minnesota FFA CDE Coordinator will annually prepare and update this document.

The CDE/LDE rules are available at the FFA Web Site (mnffa.org) and the UMN FFA CDE Website (cde.ffa.umn.edu).

The MAAE CDE Committee has changed and updated this handbook with the assistance of special committees and consultation with faculty members of the University of Minnesota. Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources teachers in Minnesota also have input in the revision of the FFA CDE/LDE rules. We hope it will prove useful in planning curriculum and instruction and in conducting successful CDE/LDEs in the future.

Minnesota FFA State CDE/LDE Results and other information will be published on the FFA Web page following the Minnesota FFA Convention. The information will contain convention activities, awards, CDE/LDE results and past CDE/LDE exams and practicums.

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Minnesota FFA Association Career and Leadership Development Events

Minnesota FFA Career Development Events (CDE) and Leadership Development Events (LDE) are an essential component of School-Based Agricultural, Food, and Natural Resources (NFNR) Education Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program. These intracurricular educational activities align to federal priorities in Perkins, Minnesota rules, and industry needs for career exploration, preparation, and training.

Students who participate in CDEs and LDEs are discovering career opportunities as they learn. The primary goal of these instructional activities is to develop career readiness and practice industry relevant technical skills, while also developing teamwork and communication skills.

FFA's CDE and LDE programs and awards are an intracurricular component of quality instruction that certify and evaluate student's academic, technical, and social-emotional skills in a specific workforce industry, while in a competitive setting, CDE and LDE participation provides students an application for critical thinking skills and effective decision-making skills, foster teamwork and promote communication while recognizing the value of ethical competition and individual achievement.

Participation in Career and Leadership Development Events are aligned with the vision and direction of education in Minnesota. The ability to develop performance packages aligned with the National AFNR standards and the Minnesota Graduation Standards will enhance the value and the quality of the experience for all students who participate. The experiences students gain through involvement in CDEs and LDEs reinforce the intracurricular educational requirements of a comprehensive School-Based AFNR program including academic classroom instruction, technical Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) or Work-Based Learning (WBL), and social emotional FFA leadership programs.

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Regional Agriculture Teacher Committees- State FFA Convention

CDE assignments will not be on a rotational basis. Each region will be assigned specific CDE/LDEs by the FFA CDE Contest Committee and the region will be responsible for them.

<u>CDE</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>CDE</u>	<u>Region</u>
Agricultural Sales	3	General Livestock	8
Agricultural Mechanics	5	Horse	7
Crops	1	Job Interview	1
Dairy Cattle & Handler	8	Meats	6
Dairy Foods	3	Nursery & Landscape	7
Farm Management	5	Poultry	6
Fish & Wildlife	3	Small Animal	4
Floriculture	4	Soils	2
Forestry	2	Talent	7

Regional Assignments

Region 1	Crops, Job Interview
2	Forestry, Soils
3	Agribusiness Sales, Dairy Foods, Fish & Wildlife
4	Floriculture, Small Animal
5	Ag Mechanics, Farm Management
6	Poultry, Meats
7	Nursery, Horse, Talent
8	Dairy Cattle & Showmanship, General Livestock

MN State - AFNR Post-Secondary instructors will serve as teacher chairs for Creed, Extemporaneous Speaking, Parliamentary Procedure, Market Plan, and Public Speaking LDEs.

Teacher chairs for Agricultural Issues, Job Interview, and Conduct of Chapter Meetings will be selected by the FFA CDE Coordinator or State Advisor.

The 2016 MAAE Summer Conference approved the following CDE/LDE categories:

Individual LDEs

Creed Speaking
 Employment Skills
 Extemporaneous Speaking
 Prepared Public Speaking

Team LDEs

Agricultural Issues
 Conduct of Chapter Meetings (Grades 7-9)
 Market Plan
 Parliamentary Procedure

FFA Members may compete in one Team LDE, one Individual LDE, one Team CDE and any Invitational CDEs during the MN Convention.

Team CDEs

Agricultural Communications
 Agricultural Technical & Mechanical Systems
 Agricultural Sales
 Crops
 Dairy Cattle Evaluation
 Dairy Cattle Handler
 Farm Business Management
 Fish & Wildlife Management
 Floriculture
 Food Science
 Forestry
 Horse Evaluation
 Livestock Evaluation

Team CDEs (continued)

Meats Evaluation
 Milk Quality & Products
 Nursery/Landscape
 Poultry
 Small Animal Care
 Soils

Invitational CDEs

BIG (Grades 7-9)
 Discussion Meet
 Talent