

2018-2019 FFA Area and State LDE special instructions

State LDE's

We will **not** host parliamentary procedure on a separate day this year. All LDE's **except** Ag Issues, Marketing Plan and Conduct of Chapter will be held on December 17, 2018.

We will have an awards ceremony this year, however there will NOT be a meal and a full banquet ceremony. As of right now, all contest start times will be 9:00 a.m.

The address for the state event is SLCC New Iberia Campus, 908 Ember Dr, New Iberia, LA 70560, USA

Area LDE's

Area 1: Mon, December 3, 4pm – 9pm
Reese Hall, Ruston, LA 71270

Area 2: Mon, December 10, 4pm – 9pm
Florien High School, 500 High School Dr, Florien, LA 71429

Area 3: Tue, December 11, 8am – 3pm
Gayle Hall, Lake Charles, LA 70605

Area 4: Thu, December 13, 8am – 4pm
Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803

Conduct of Chapter (state only)

Will be conducted at State Convention in 2019. Lana Myers is the superintendent. More information for conduct of chapter LDE will become available in the spring of 2019.

Employment skills (area)

All resumes must be made in the resume generator on www.ffa.org Students must have an account to access this generator. Here is the link <https://resumegenerator.ffa.org/> Please be aware that the rules state all resumes must be 2 pages in length. Therefore, when using resume generator you will find that you must condense your resume to two pages even though the generator often produces 6-8 pages.

Click the link below to access the Electronic application.

<file:///C:/Users/HSmith/Desktop/2017EmploymentApplicationFormForm2.pdf>

Also, all jobs must be REAL and pertain to the students' SAE/agricultural project.

All cover letters should be dated October 23, 2019 and addressed to:

Mark Kline
6060 FFA Dr.
P.O. Box 68960
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960

Job descriptions are mandatory for parish, district, area and state employment skills events. Please attach the job description to the cover letter, application, and resume packet. Participants who fail to submit this component will be subject to disqualification.

Area 1 contest: will consists of cover letter, resume, and electronic application and personal interview. Contestants should show up at the area 1 contest with the electronic application already filled out. Please use a word processor for this process. Phone interview and follow up correspondence will not be included in the area 1 event.

Area 2 contest: will consist of cover letter, resume, electronic application, personal interview and initial phone interview. Contestants should show up at the area 2 contest with the electronic application already filled out. Please use a word processor for this process. Follow up correspondence will not be included in the area 2 event.

Area 3 contest: will consists of electronic application, resume, cover letter, personal interview.

Area 4 contest: will consist of electronic application, resume, cover letter, personal interview and follow up correspondence. Contestants should show up at the area 4 contest with the electronic application already filled out. Please use a word processor for this process. Initial phone interview will not be included in the area 4 event.

Employment skills (state)

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Electronic applications, cover letters, resumes and job descriptions are due in PDF format before 11:59 p.m. on December 13th to hsmith@agcenter.lsu.edu and these documents may be scans.

Initial phone interview practicum will be conducted on December 5th and December 11th- 14th. Phone calls will be made to the agriculture teachers' phone at a designated time. The student will conduct the interview on their agriculture teachers' phone.

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Parliamentary procedure (area and state)

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No team event, or minutes will be taken. State will consists of written test, oral questions and demonstration. See official state rules at <http://la-ffa.org/parli-pro>

Prepared public speaking and Gulf of Mexico (state)

All other rules regulating the Prepared Speaking Leadership Development Event will apply to the Gulf of Mexico regarding length, bibliography, and preparation

Prepared public speaking and Gulf of Mexico manuscripts will be due to hsmith@agcenter.lsu.edu no later than 11:59 p.m. on December 13th

They will be graded by three or more impartial judges who have been published in professional journals using APA formatted articles.

Speeches must be emailed to hsmith@agcenter.lsu.edu by 11:59 p.m. December 13, 2018.

Failure to meet the deadline will result in a 10% penalty for one day late and a manuscript score of zero for two days late.

Prepared public speeches must follow APA formatting. Here is a video of Dr. Blackburns professional development webinar pertaining to APA style for references and in text citations.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Blj0uFYGcWA>

Extemporaneous Speaking (area optional, state definitely)

The first ten minutes of preparation time will be allowed for internet access. No printing from the internet will be allowed. The computer will be provided by the Louisiana FFA. Students are not allowed to use their phone for internet access at the state LDE.

State level topics will be provided by the state FFA office according to the following rules.

a. Eighteen (18) topics will be prepared by the event superintendent and will include three (3)

each from the following categories:

- Agricultural literacy and advocacy
- Current agricultural issues
- Advancing agriculture through agriculture science
- Current technology uses and applications in agriculture
- Agri-marketing and international agriculture
- Food and fiber systems

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No special instructions. Refer to state rules for all questions.

Geaux Teach Agriculture (state)

2018 Topic is Natural Resources and Conservation. All lesson plans for state contest are to be emailed in PDF format to hsmith@agcenter.lsu.edu jjblackburn@lsu.edu and kstair@lsu.edu no later than 11:59 p.m. December 13th. Failure to meet the deadline will result in a 10% penalty for one day late and a manuscript score of zero for two days late.

Also see the rubrics for teaching performance and lesson plans because they are different from last years contests. Here is the link to our website for geaux teach ag. <http://www.la-ffa.org/cde/geaux-teach/>

At the state LDE, Louisiana FFA will provide the projector and the laptop. Internet is not guaranteed. Clicker will not be provided.