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Proposing Chapter	Franklin FFA Chapter
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Endorsing Chapter(s): Complete this if other chapter(s) are supporting your proposal.	Berwick, Kaplan, Crowley
Proposal Title	Proficiency Award Handbook Changes
Please detail the recommended action to be taken.	 Please view the attachment for details on these proposed changes. *Strikeouts provided to remove *Red text was added In summary, FFA members should receive recognition for their efforts if they are deserving of winning their proficiency award area(s) while still adhering to the National FFA stipulation that those awards forwarded to the national level need to have 3 years of records.
Why is this proposal of importance to the Louisiana FFA Association?	On a yearly basis, students who receive first place for their proficiency award area(s) through the grading of applications and their interview are not granted first place because they simply lack the ability to be eligible for national competition (having 3 years of records). In addition, students are only allowed to win 1 proficiency award category per year. If a member submits 3 applications and earns the necessary points to win all 3, it is our belief that the member should be able to do so.
What effect, if any, will this proposal have on student membership?	By recognizing students for their efforts and dedication to their Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE), the increase in quality Proficiency Awards may rise as well as the desire to complete the daunting, expansive application necessary to receive such recognition.

What data can you offer to support your recommendation?	We would like to ask State Staff to provide data as to the number of member projects over the last several years who should have received first place but did not because of the current rules. Also the number of award areas that were not awarded a first place due to the current rules.
Will a member from your chapter offer a five minute presentation on your issue and a five minute question and answer on February 23 during SLDC?	Yes
Will you attend SLDC in person or virtually?	In-person
Chapter President	Benjamin Robicheaux
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