

## Delegate Committee #2: The Committee on Executive Secretary’s Sweepstakes Award Categories

1. In how many years has a small chapter with a high membership percentage won the overall state sweepstakes award?

**Accurate records for this award go back to the 2018-2019 school year. These were the overall state winners each year and their ag education enrollment and membership percentages:**

<b>2019</b>	<b>Elton</b>	<b>73 students in ag, 73 students in FFA</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>Not awarded due to COVID</b>	
<b>2021</b>	<b>Not awarded due to COVID</b>	
<b>2022</b>	<b>Elton</b>	<b>83 students in ag, 83 students in FFA</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Elton</b>	<b>92 students in ag, 92 students in FFA</b>

2. Is there a competitive advantage in this award to having more than one chapter advisor?

**Here are the area winners for each year:**

**2019**

- Area I: Ruston, multiple advisors**
- Area II: Winnfield, multiple advisors**
- Area III: Elton, one advisor**
- Area IV: Walker, multiple advisors**

**2022**

- Area I: West Ouachita, multiple advisors**
- Area II: Florien, one advisor**
- Area III: Elton, one advisor**
- Area IV: Central Lafourche, multiple advisors**

**2023**

- Area I: West Ouachita, multiple advisors**
- Area II: Dodson, one advisor**
- Area III: Elton, one advisor**
- Area IV: Central Lafourche, multiple advisors**

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3. How is the Executive Secretary's Sweepstakes scored?

**Four categories are equally weighted at 25 points each:**

- 1. Percentage of FFA membership**
- 2. Participation in conferences and conventions**
- 3. Participation in competitions and awards**
- 4. Leadership positions held**

**A formula is used in an Excel sheet to input numerous pieces of data. Within each of the four categories, each item is divided by the total ag education enrollment and then multiplied by a constant.**

**For example, in the first category:**

**(FFA membership/Total ag education enrollment)\*25 gives you the score for the first category.**

**In the second category:**

**(Number of students attending State Convention/Total ag education enrollment)\*3.125; there are eight events in this category;  $8*3.125=25$**

**And so on.**

**A perfect score is 100. The totals for each of the four categories are added together. The highest score in each area is the area winner, and the highest score from the four area winners is the state winner.**

**The area winners' scores normally range between 25 and 28 total points. It is virtually impossible to earn a perfect score. This would mean that every ag education student participates in every event, and the chapter participates in every event possible.**

4. How would separating this award into two categories help or hurt the relatively smaller schools with multiple advisors?

**This is a difficult question to answer. Chapters that win this award on the area and state levels are those that have 100% FFA membership and participate in conferences and competitions and regularly have students serve on nominating committees and as area and state officers.**

**It can be assumed that smaller chapters with multiple advisors could maximize their points in this award by participating in more events, but as history shows, small, single advisor chapters have also done well.**

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5. How many multi-advisor chapters are there in each area?

<b>Area I:</b>	<b>9 chapters</b>
<b>Area II:</b>	<b>6 chapters</b>
<b>Area III:</b>	<b>25 chapters</b>
<b>Area IV:</b>	<b>20 chapters</b>

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