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Event Rules

All members participating in this Leadership Development Event must meet the eligibility requirements and adhere to the rules of the Kentucky FFA Association as outlined in the Rules Governing FFA Activities document.

Number of members on a team: Seven

Official Dress Appropriate: Yes

Regional Event: Determined by the region

State Event: State FFA Convention

Participation is limited to FFA members who are enrolled in the ninth grade at the time of regional competition. Tenth grade students who are first year agriculture students may also participate.

Participants will fulfill the duties of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, sentinel, and advisor. The member who performs the advisor role in opening ceremonies will participate as a member for the remaining time of the event.

Teams shall not use more than 13 minutes for the demonstration (including opening and closing ceremonies.) Two points will be deducted for each second over 13 minutes. Deductions will begin at 13:01. A time keeper will stand at 11 minutes and remain standing for at least 15 seconds. This will give the team two minutes to conclude business and close the meeting.

OPENING AND CLOSING CEREMONIES (125 POINTS)

A team shall begin with opening ceremonies as outlined in the Official FFA Manual.

Following the parliamentary procedure demonstration, the team shall close the meeting with closing ceremonies as outlined in the Official FFA Manual.

Fifteen (15) points is assigned to each team member for opening ceremonies.

Twenty (20) points is assigned to closing ceremonies.

One (1) point will be deducted for each missed or added word during the opening and closing ceremonies.
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PARLIAMENTARY DEMONSTRATION (355 POINTS)

Teams shall be scored on the following items according to the score card:

- Completion of Assigned Motions
- Conclusions Reached
- Team Voice, Poise, Expression
- Presiding Ability

Team members will demonstrate four of the following permissible parliamentary procedure motions:

- Amend
- Commit or Refer
- Division of the Assembly
- Parliamentary Inquiry
- Point of Order
- Postpone Definitely
- Postpone Indefinitely
- Previous Question
- Raise a Question of Privilege
- Recess

Event officials will select motions to be demonstrated and provide these on event cards. Event cards will be placed at each station with the item to be demonstrated by the student marked on their card. Students will have one minute to review event cards after entering the room.

The main motion will be listed on the event card in bold print. It will NOT be assigned to a particular team member.

Following opening ceremonies, the President will ask, “Is there any new business?” A team member will stand and move the main motion.

Five to twenty five points will be deducted for each error in parliamentary procedure, depending on the severity of the error.

All team members will be able to take notes during the demonstration.

Point of order and parliamentary inquiry may be used with no point deduction, if not listed on the event card when used appropriately. Use of other motions not listed on the event card have no point value and will result in a point reduction not to exceed 20 points per instance.
DEBATE (240 POINTS)

The best two debates will be scored for each member.

Scoring

Judges will complete the score card for each team and confer to choose the first, second, and third place teams.

At the regional level, each team will be rated Superior, Excellent, Good, or Fair.

The top team from each region will advance to the state contest at the State FFA Convention.

TIEBREAKER

Ties will be broken based on the chapter with the highest score in the parliamentary procedure demonstration.