

Floriculture Career Development Event

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Purpose of Event

The ability to arrange, propagate and merchandise flowers and foliage is essential to success in the floriculture industry. FFA activities are an integral part of the instructional program in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Education. The Floriculture Career Development Event stimulates the study of and interest in production and retailing of flowers, plants, and foliage through the agricultural education curriculum.

Common Core & State Core Curriculum Content Standards (CCCS)

Through Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Education, FFA helps students meet the Common Core Standards and State Core Curriculum Content Standards in various areas. The Floriculture Career Development Event teaches students about Visual and Performing Arts, Science, and 21st–Century Life and Careers standards. Some examples of how the Floriculture Career Development Event is meeting these standards are:

All students will demonstrate the creative, critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving skills needed to function successfully as both global citizens and workers in diverse ethnic and organizational cultures.

- Students in Agricultural Education develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills to perform activities, such as using mathematical skills to analyze and develop invoice charges for material, determine wholesale and retail prices, and calculate discounts. [9.1– 21st-Century Life & Careers: 21st-Century Life & Career Skills]

All students will demonstrate an understanding of the elements and principles that govern the creation of works of art in dance, music, theatre, and visual art.

- Through the Floriculture CDE, students create visual art by arranging flowers and foliage. [1.1 – Visual and Performing Arts: The Creative Process – D. Visual Art]

All students will understand that life science principles are powerful conceptual tools for making sense of the complexity, diversity, and interconnectedness of life on Earth.

- Through the Floriculture CDE, students understand the structure, characteristics, and basic needs of plant life. [5.3 – Science: Life Science]

Rules of Event

All Career Development Events will follow the general rules published in the NJ State FFA Activity Guide (Form 7.000). This event has four (4) phases: Phase I - Plant Identification; Phase II - Written Exam/Problem Solving; Phase III - two (2) rotational practicum areas; and Phase IV – one (1) annual practicum. This event requires a team of four (4) members in order to compete. All four (4) scores are used in determining the team’s rank. For more details on this event, [click here](#) to consult the [National FFA Career Development Event Handbook](#).

Scoring for the New Jersey Event

(other scoring will occur on the national level)

- Phase I - Plant ID - 200 points
- Phase II - Written Exam/Problem Solving - 250 points
- Phase III – Rotational Practicum Areas – 150 points
- Phase IV - Annual Practicum – 100 points
- Individual Total - 700 points

[Click here to discover the Career Opportunities, SAE Opportunities and Proficiency Award Areas that correspond to the Floriculture Career Development Event!](#)

Event Rotation for the New Jersey Floriculture CDE Rotational Practicum Areas (other areas are required for National Competition)

2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handling a Hazardous Situation • Make a Dish Garden • Make a Product Display • Media Selling • Growing Procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing Procedures • Handling a Customer Complaint • Identifying and Controlling Plant Disorders • Make and Package a Corsage • Media Selling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handling a Hazardous Situation • Make a Dish Garden • Make a Product Display • Media Selling • Growing Procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing Procedures • Handling a Customer Complaint • Identifying and Controlling Plant Disorders • Make and Package a Corsage • Media Selling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handling a Hazardous Situation • Make a Dish Garden • Make a Product Display • Media Selling • Growing Procedures