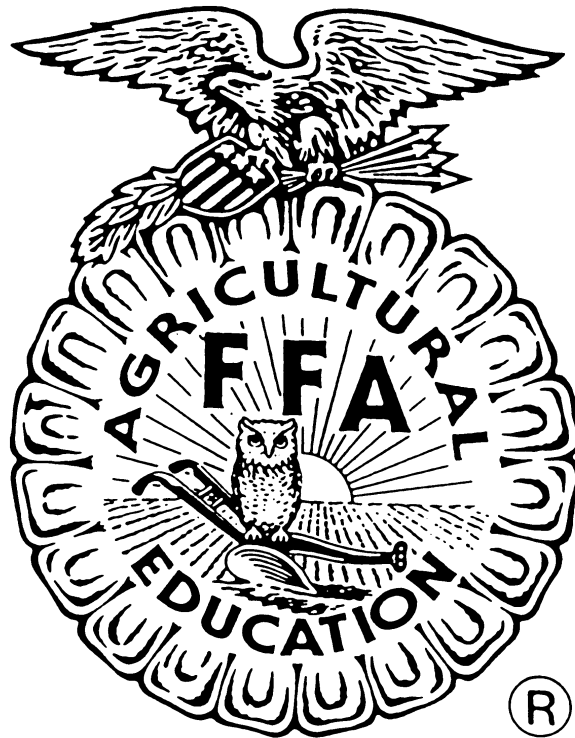


CONTESTS AND AWARDS BOOKLET

2010-2011



ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION

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Contest & Awards Booklet

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of the Alabama FFA Association's Contests and Awards Program is to vitalize and enrich the instructional program of Agriscience Education. Through participation in an effective Contests and Awards Program, FFA members are recognized for outstanding accomplishment and motivated to achieve their greatest potential.

Schools with multiple teachers and large enrollment in Agriscience Education may establish separate chapters. Each chapter shall be organized and operated in accordance with all the provisions of the national, state, and local constitutions. Each chartered chapter must submit its own list of FFA members enrolled in this chapter, along with the designated advisor. The State Office should be notified when transfers are made from one chapter to another. FFA members are only eligible to participate in the activities of one chartered FFA chapter.

In order to remain in good standing with the State Association, chapter dues and fees must be submitted by **March 1** each year. Charters of chapters not submitting dues and fees by this date will be withdrawn by the delegate body at the State FFA Convention.

FFA members are invited to "get into the mainstream of FFA activity" and participate actively in the FFA Contests and Awards Program. Interested citizens are providing cash awards to inspire you to do your best. Why not look at the list, select the award areas that interest you, then put forth your best effort---and try to win!

SALUTE TO OUR SPONSORS

We are proud to salute the sponsors of the FFA Contests and Awards Program in Alabama. Some are new and some have been faithful sponsors for many, many years -- but we take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank each and every one of them for the time and money they have invested in the Alabama FFA Association.

These fine sponsors consider their efforts to be a good investment in the future. How good an investment it proves to be, will depend upon the extent to which all Alabama FFA members, advisors, and chapters participate. Let's prove to our sponsors that they made a wise decision when they chose to support the FFA Contests and Awards Program in Alabama.

Alabama Ag Credit
Alabama Cattlemen's Association
Alabama Council of Cooperatives
Alabama Farm Credit
Alabama Farmers Cooperative, Inc.
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Alabama FFA Foundation
Alabama Forestry Association
Alabama Poultry & Egg Association
Alabama Sheriffs Association
Alabama Veterinary Association
Alabama Wildlife Federation
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Southeastern Livestock Exposition
The Chevron/Texaco Companies
Thompson Tractor Company
USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

AGRICULTURAL PROFICIENCY AWARDS

PURPOSE:

The purpose of these awards is to stimulate interest in the instructional program, stimulate interest in agricultural occupations, and reward FFA members for exceptional accomplishments in progressing toward specific occupational objectives in agriculture. In judging these awards major emphasis will be placed on the work done by the applicant.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

Agricultural Proficiency Awards are available to all FFA members enrolled in high school Agriscience Education; members who have been out of high school not more than one year, and who have completed at least three full years of Agriscience Education, or all the Agriscience Education offered in the school are also eligible. Applications for these awards may include reports of activities and records completed up to January 1 of the year the application is submitted.

Consideration will be given to the applicant's cumulative record in Agriscience Education and FFA and his/her Supervised Agricultural Experience Program. Also, applications should include achievement records that prove the applicant has developed abilities in the respective area for which the application is submitted. The first place winner in each of the Agricultural Proficiency Awards will be eligible to compete for national awards.

You can select from two proficiency award categories. One is called "placement," for work or experience only SAE programs, such as working at a nursery or as an employee on a hog farm. The other, called "entrepreneurship," is for programs that typically involve ownership of an agricultural production or agribusiness enterprise. Such SAE programs could, for example, include crop or livestock production.

An FFA member is eligible for a Placement Proficiency Award if the student's work experience is on the family farm, family corporation or family and/or other partnership. In no case shall a member be eligible for recognition in both entrepreneurship and placement categories in any proficiency award area for the same supervised agricultural experience program and site.

A member may be granted only one first place Agricultural Proficiency Award on the state level per year and may receive the same kind of state award only once. All of the Agricultural Proficiency Awards are individual awards. Chartered chapters are eligible to submit only one application in each of the proficiency award areas.

All applications for the Agricultural Proficiency Awards must be submitted to the FFA Executive Secretary in Montgomery by **February 15**.

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that involve the design, construction, repair and maintenance of electrical motors, agricultural equipment and structures. Programs may include the use of electricity and energy management systems and the wiring of agricultural structures. Students doing similar work on their homes must seek recognition for their efforts through the Home and/or Community Development award category.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	150.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS:

ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

AGRICULTURAL SALES OR SERVICE

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Agricultural sales involve students who sell feed, seed, fertilizer or agricultural chemicals. Students can also own businesses that sell agricultural equipment, machinery or structures. Activities can include merchandising of crops, livestock, processed commodities, horticulture, or forestry items.

Agricultural services involves students who work in services offered through agricultural enterprises that deal with custom equipment operation and maintenance, agricultural management and finance services, animal breeding services, custom baling, crop scouting, horse shoeing, taxidermy, animal hospitals, custom or contract feeding.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

BEEF PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Includes programs where FFA members employ the best management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of beef.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	125.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	75.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: FLINT RIVER MILLS, INC.

Ms. June Gainous, Marketing Manager
P. O. Box 280
Bainbridge, Georgia 39818

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

DAIRY PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Typically involves programs that use the best management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of quality dairy cattle and dairy products.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	175.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	125.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	75.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION - DAIRY DIVISION

Mr. Jimmy Carlisle, Director
Commodity Producer Services
Alabama Farmers Federation
P. O. Box 11000
Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

DIVERSIFIED CROP PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that will stimulate FFA members to employ the best management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of a combination of two or more crop related proficiency areas such as grain, fiber/oil, forage, specialty crop, non-horticultural vegetable or fruit production.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	175.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	150.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	100.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION - WHEAT & FEED DIVISION

Mr. Buddy Adamson, Director
Alabama Farmers Federation
P. O. Box 11000
Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

EQUINE SCIENCE

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Typically provides insights into horse production, breeding, marketing, showing and other aspects of the equine industry. Programs may also include calf roping, barrel racing, rodeo, racing, riding lessons and therapeutic horseback riding if horses are owned and/or managed by a member if horses are involved.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	125.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	75.00 and chapter banner

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NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

FLORICULTURE

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that result in FFA members using the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market field or greenhouse production of flowers, foliage, and related plant materials for ornamental purposes including the arranging, packaging, and marketing of these materials.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

FOREST MANAGEMENT AND PRODUCTS

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that result in FFA members adopting and using forestry practices that conserve and increase the productivity and economic value of a forest and/or forest products through such practices as thinning, pruning, weeding, stand improvement, insect and disease control, planting, harvesting. It can involve experiences with the Forest Service, Christmas tree farming as well as making and selling cedar shakes, firewood and wood chips/mulch.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION - FORESTRY DIVISION

Mr. Steve Guy, Director
Alabama Farmers Federation
P. O. Box 11000
Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

FRUIT OR VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that will give FFA members practical experience using the best management practices available to efficiently produce and market crops such as edible beans; pumpkins; sweet corn; berries; tomatoes; onions; watermelons; zucchini; hot peppers; all canning vegetables; potatoes (including yams); stone, pome and citrus fruits; pineapples; coconuts; nuts; berries and all common garden vegetables.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

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NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

HOME AND/OR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that typically involve improving and protecting the beauty of an area by using natural vegetation or commercial ornamental plants as well as modernizing the home for better health and comfort through installation or improvement of water and sanitary facilities, heating and air conditioning or labor saving devices.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION
NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that involve experiences of planting and maintaining turf, plants and shrubs; landscaping and outdoor beautification; installing sprinklers and improvement of recreational areas.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION
NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

NURSERY OPERATIONS

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Typically provides members with job entry experiences in such areas shrubs, trees or other plant production for the purpose of transplanting or propagation. It can include water garden plants produced for sale.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

POULTRY PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that stimulate FFA members to employ the latest management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of domestic fowl such as ducks, geese, and guinea; chickens as well as turkeys, and their products.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	150.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	125.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	100.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA POULTRY AND EGG ASSOCIATION

Mr. Johnny Adams, Executive Director
P. O. Box 240
Montgomery, Alabama 36101

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

SHEEP PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Involves programs that will stimulate FFA members to employ the latest management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of sheep and wool.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place:	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place:	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place:	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place:	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION- SHEEP DIVISION

Mr. Mitt Walker, Director
Sheep Division
Alabama Farmers Federation
P. O. Box 11000
Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Typically involves practical experiences in the principles and practices of managing and/or improving the environment and natural resources. Activities can involve managing agriculture waste, recycling agriculture products, cleaning the environment or serving in the conservation corps. This area can involve wildlife surveys, erosion prevention practices, public relations, and pollution education, land use regulations, water and air quality measures.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	150.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: AUBURN UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Mr. Jim Tollison, President
107 Comer Hall
Auburn University, Alabama 36849

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

SPECIALTY ANIMAL PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that employ the best management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of animals covered by none of the existing award categories such as aquaculture, bees, goats, mules, donkeys, miniature horses, meat rabbits, mink, fish, worms, ostriches, emus or alpacas or llamas. Placement experiences can involve working at a zoo or at a specialty animal facility.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place:	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place:	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place:	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place:	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSOR: NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

SWINE PRODUCTION

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that will stimulate FFA members to employ the best management practices available for the efficient production and marketing of swine.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	100.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	75.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	50.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION - PORK DIVISION

Mr. Guy Hall, Director
Alabama Pork Producers
P. O. Box 11000
Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

TURF GRASS MANAGEMENT

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that provide FFA members with job entry experiences concerned with the principles and practices involved in planting and maintaining turf, for outdoor beautification, owning a lawn-mowing service, improving recreational areas, sod produced for sale and managing golf courses.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter banner
Second Place	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

WILDLIFE PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS:

Programs that improve the availability of fish and wildlife through practices such as stocking of fish or wild game or those that develop new or improve of existing land and water habitat for wildlife. This proficiency can include experiences with Fish and Wildlife Departments and the Department of Natural Resources. Wildlife, wild species of ducks, geese, quail, and pheasants are eligible in this area if used in an income enterprise.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$200.00, certificate, plaque, and chapter-banner
Second Place	50.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	30.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	20.00 and chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

Mr. Tim L. Gothard
Executive Director
3050 Lanark Road
Millbrook, AL 36054

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL PROFICIENCY AWARD AREAS

Applications will be accepted in the following 14 Agricultural Proficiency areas for the purpose of selecting a first place winner only. A committee will be appointed to review these applications to determine whether or not an application is of the quality to be submitted to the National Office for National consideration.

First place winners in these 15 areas will receive \$200.00 from the National FFA Foundation and a chapter banner.

First place winners only may be selected in the following areas:

- Agricultural Communications** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Agricultural Education** – Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Agricultural Processing** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Diversified Horticulture** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Diversified Livestock Production** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Emerging Agricultural Technology** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Food Science and Technology** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Forage Production** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Grain Production** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Outdoor Recreation** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Small Animal Production and Care** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Specialty Crop Production** - Entrepreneurship/Placement
- Veterinary Medicine** – Entrepreneurship/Placement

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LEADERSHIP AWARDS

STATE FFA DEGREE

PURPOSE:

This degree is meant to recognize outstanding achievement in Supervised Agricultural Experience development, leadership, and scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

Have received the Chapter FFA Degree and have been an active FFA member for at least two years (24 months) at the time of receiving the degree. Must meet all other minimum qualifications, as outlined in the Official FFA Manual. (Those members who wish to become a State FFA Officer Candidate should apply for their State FFA Degree as soon as they are eligible.)

A committee will select from the applications those members to be recommended to receive the State FFA Degree. State FFA Degree certificates will be presented to successful candidates for the degree. Application forms will be made available to all chapters on the association's Web site. These forms are due to the District Specialist by **February 15.**

SPONSOR: NONE

STAR FARMER/AGRIBUSINESSMAN AWARD

PURPOSE:

To challenge every member in Alabama to earn all the FFA degrees offered in the state organization (i.e., Greenhand, Chapter FFA, and State FFA Degrees), and furthermore, to encourage them to have the best possible record in FFA and Agriscience Education when they receive the State FFA Degree.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

One FFA member from each chapter who meets the minimum qualifications and is an applicant for the State FFA Degree is eligible to compete for the Star Farmer/Agribusinessman Award. They will be selected from the current year's State FFA Degree applicants.

Applicants for the Star Farmer/Agribusinessman Award must be recommended to receive this award by a committee appointed for this purpose. An applicant must have an outstanding Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.

An applicant must show initiative in taking advantage of opportunities at hand. He/She must have plans to continue and enlarge his/her Supervised Agricultural Experience Program after graduation from school. Successful applicants must also have an outstanding record of FFA and community leadership.

State FFA Degree applications must be mailed to District Specialist by **February 15**. State FFA Degree candidates interested in being considered for a District Star Farmer shall enclose a PowerPoint presentation that includes a cover slide, up to 20 photographs, and a sound file of the candidate's story. Please record the story as a sound file in the PowerPoint presentation so that you can correlate the pictures and story. The total length of the presentation should be *no longer than 5 minutes*. Please put the complete presentation and an electronic copy of the story on a CD and mail it in with the application.

STATE AWARDS:

District Star Farmer/Agribusinessman-\$100.00 and chapter banner

State Star Farmer/Agribusinessman-\$250.00, certificate, chapter banner, and plaque

SPONSORS: **ALPHA GAMMA RHO FRATERNITY-plaque**

831 Lem Morrison Drive

Auburn, Alabama 36830 (plaque)

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

AMERICAN FFA DEGREE

PURPOSE:

To recognize those FFA members who, as a result of their program in Agriscience Education and FFA membership, have made outstanding progress toward their occupational goal in an agricultural occupation.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS: (Minimum Qualifications for Election)

- Have received the State FFA Degree,
- Have been an active member for the past three years (36 months) and have a record of satisfactory participation in the activities on the chapter and state levels.
- Have satisfactorily completed the equivalent of at least three years (540 hours) of systematic secondary school instruction in an agricultural education program, or have completed the equivalent of at least two years of systematic secondary school instruction in an agricultural education program and completed one year of a post secondary education program in an agricultural major or have completed the program of agricultural education offered in the school last attended. NOTE: the hours of instruction do not need to be in three different calendar years).
- Have graduated from high school at least 12 months prior to the national convention at which the degree is to be granted.
- Have in operation and have maintained records to substantiate an outstanding supervised agricultural experience program through which a member has exhibited comprehensive planning, managerial and financial expertise.
- Must meet all other minimum qualifications, as outlined in the Official FFA Manual.

AWARDS:

The American FFA Degree Key and certificate will be presented by the National FFA Organization during the annual National Convention. If the candidate does not go to the National Convention to receive the degree in person, the key, and certificate will be mailed to him/her. American FFA Degree applications should be mailed to District Specialist by **April 15**.

FUTURE FARMER/AGRIBUSINESSMAN OF THE YEAR

PURPOSE:

To recognize an outstanding FFA member for his/her work and accomplishments in FFA, Agriscience Education, and his/her school and community.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

All active FFA members are eligible to compete for this honor, whether they are in or out of school. FFA members are eligible to apply for this award as long as they have not reached their 22nd birthday. Each chapter may (and should) nominate one outstanding member.

Mail the application to your District Specialist by **March 15**. Applicants shall enclose a PowerPoint presentation that includes a cover slide, up to 20 photographs, and a sound file of the candidate's story. Please record the story as a sound file in the PowerPoint presentation so that you can correlate the pictures and story. The total length of the presentation should be *no longer than 5 minutes*. Please put the complete presentation and an electronic copy of the story on a CD and mail it in with the application. It is suggested farm and home improvement activities and other work not covered in the application be emphasized in the story.

AWARDS: \$1,500.00, plaque, and chapter banner

SPONSORS: THE CHEVRON/TEXACO COMPANIES

Chevron Products Company
2124 O'Rourke Drive
Mobile, Alabama 36695

INTERSTATE OIL COMPANY

Mr. Houston Gibbons
Interstate Oil Company
P. O. Box 967
Montgomery, Alabama 36102

INTERSTATE OIL COMPANY

Mr. Rick Norton
Interstate Oil Company
P. O. Box 967
Montgomery, Alabama 36102

LEGACY BROTHERHOOD-plaque

Auburn University
c/o Barry Bailey
245 County Road 53
Cedar Bluff, AL 35959

CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

PURPOSE:

The primary goal of the team career development events and awards is to develop individual responsibilities, foster teamwork and promote communication while recognizing the value of ethical competition and the value of individual achievement.

Team career development events and awards should be an outgrowth of instruction but recognize the value and contributions of the experiences and aspirations of individual members.

FFA career development events and awards should reflect instruction that currently takes place in the Agriscience Education program, including classroom instruction, laboratory instruction, individual instruction and/or supervised agricultural experience.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

1. Each participant must be a bona fide dues-paying FFA member in good standing with the local chapter, state association, and the national organization at the time of his/her selection and at the time of the FFA Career Development Event in which he/she participates.

In the event a participant's name is not on the chapter's official roster, a past-due membership-processing fee of \$25, in addition to the dues, must be paid to the Alabama FFA Association prior to certification for the state finals.

2. The participant, at the time of his/her participation as a national team member, must be:
 - a. A high school FFA member (a graduating senior is considered eligible to compete in state and national career development events up to and including his/her first national convention following graduation). High school refers to grades 9-12.
 - b. Enrolled, while in school, in at least one agricultural education course during the school year and/or following a planned course of study; either course must include a supervised agricultural experience program; the objective or which is preparation for an agricultural career.
3. A student may not participate more than once in the same official National FFA Career Development Event. No student may participate in more than one National FFA Career Development Event each year. (This includes Creed Speaking, Prepared Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, Parliamentary Procedure and all non-leadership team events.)

NOTE: For detailed rules information on all events, please refer to the Career Development Event Booklet specific to that event.

AGRICULTURAL CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

This event recognizes students with agricultural construction and maintenance competencies important to the modern workplace. The technical content and required skills continue to include all traditional areas of agricultural construction. It involves many areas of building construction including; blueprint reading, layout, framing, electrical systems, plumbing systems, and roofing systems.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.
State teams will be composed of a maximum of three team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

There is no advancement to national competition in this event.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSORS: HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF ALABAMA

William McQueen, Staff Vice President
P. O. Box 241305
Montgomery, Alabama 36124-1305

ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

This event recognizes students with agricultural mechanics competencies important to the modern workplace. The technical content and required skills continue to include all traditional areas of agricultural mechanics. Additionally, the operation of modern equipment, the application of new management strategies, and the mastering of advance technologies are increasingly emphasized.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

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c/o Dr. Brian Parr
5040 Haley Center
Auburn University, AL 36849

CREED SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

The Creed Speaking Career Development Event is designed to develop agricultural leadership by providing FFA members in Grades 7 and 8 an opportunity to participate in a leadership development activity.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

Participation is limited to dues paying FFA members in Grades 7 and 8.

An elimination event at the county level must be held to determine the county winner. Only the winner from each county is eligible to participate in the area and/or the district events.

The first and second place winners in the North, Central, and South Districts will compete in the state finals.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the chapter representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state winner be unable to participate in the national event, the second place winner may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

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Fourth Place	chapter banner

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DAIRY EVALUATION CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To provide a competitive event for FFA members, emphasizing skills in dairy cattle evaluation, selection, and dairy herd management.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

Teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

The state event will be held prior to the Alabama State FFA Convention. This event is held in partnership with Alabama 4-H. The contact for this event is:

Boyd Brady, Professor – Dairy Science
Auburn University
109 Upchurch Hall
Auburn University, AL 36849
(334) 844-1562

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion FFA team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

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AGRICULTURAL CENTER BOARD

William H. Johnson, III, Executive Director
P. O. Box 70026
Montgomery, Alabama 36107

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

The FFA Extemporaneous Public Speaking Career Development Event is designed to develop the ability of all FFA members to express themselves on a given subject without having prepared or rehearsed its content in advance, therefore causing FFA members to formulate their remarks for presentation in a very limited amount of time.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

An elimination event at the county level must be held to determine the county winner. Only the winner from each county is eligible to participate in the area and/or the district events.

The first and second place winners in the North, Central, and South Districts will compete in the state finals.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the chapter representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state winner be unable to participate in the national event, the second place winner may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

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Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSORS:

SARAH P. MURCHISON

Chair-Alabama Team AgEd
159 George Drive
Hope Hull, AL 36043

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

FLORICULTURE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To stimulate the study of and the interest in production and retailing of flowers, plants, and foliage through the agricultural education curriculum. To give FFA members an opportunity to use the floriculture skills they have acquired in horticulture and make them career aware of horticultural enterprises in Alabama.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

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Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION

FORESTRY CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To stimulate interest and to promote forestry instruction in the Agriscience Education curriculum, as well as to provide recognition for those who have demonstrated skills and competencies as a result of forestry instruction.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

County eliminations must be held to determine a county winner to participate in the district event. The County Chairman is held responsible for planning the county event before district event is held.

District eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

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Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Mr. Chris Isaacson, Executive Vice President
555 Alabama Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

SALTCO

P.O. Box 62
Silas, Alabama 36919

M.W. SMITH, JR. FOUNDATION

Post Office Drawer 162B
Mobile, Alabama 36633

HORSE EVALUATION CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To stimulate the study of and interest in equine science selection, management, and production through the agricultural education curriculum as well as provide recognition for those who have demonstrated skills and competencies as a result of instruction in equine science.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

Teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members and may advance straight to the state event. There will not be a county or district elimination in this event. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

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AGRICULTURAL CENTER BOARD

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LAND CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

This event is designed to help students learn more about land, difference in soil and their capabilities, methods of soil conservation and improvement, treatments to help in obtaining higher production, and selection of suitable home sites.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

County eliminations must be held to determine a county winner to participate in the district event. The County Chairman is held responsible for planning the county event before district event is held.

District eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the International Land Judging Event in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in the spring following the state event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead. Team members participating in the International Event must be in high school at the time of the event.

STATE AWARDS:

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Second Place	chapter banner
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Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSORS: ALABAMA ASSOCIATION CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Mr. Stephen M. Cauthen
Executive Secretary
Alabama Soil & Water Conservation Committee
P. O. Box 304800
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-4800

Cooperating: USDA-NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

John and Ann Baker
P. O. Box 5 41
Eutaw, Alabama 35462

(Trophy in Honor of Mr. John C. Baker and Mr. E. W. Underwood)

LIVESTOCK CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To develop a student's ability to understand and to interpret the value of performance data based on industry standards. To measure a students' knowledge and abilities to: make accurate observations of livestock; to determine desirable traits in animals; to make logical decisions based on these observations; to discuss and defend their decisions; and to instill an appreciation for desirable selection, management and marketing techniques.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

County eliminations must be held to determine a county winner to participate in the district event. The County Chairman is held responsible for planning the county event before district event is held.

District eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

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ALABAMA CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Mr. Steve McDonald, President
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Montgomery, Alabama 36102-2499

cc: Dr. Billy Powell
Mr. Reid Blossom

SOUTHEASTERN LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

Mr. Tim Coe, President
P. O. Box 2499
Montgomery, Alabama 36102-2499

cc: Dr. Billy Powell
Mr. Reid Blossom

ALABAMA BEEF CHECKOFF PROGRAM

Dr. Billy Powell, Executive Director
Alabama Cattlemen's Association
P.O. Box 2499
Montgomery, Alabama 36102-2499

ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION

NURSERY AND LANDSCAPE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

The Nursery/Landscape CDE includes all aspects of the industry in producing, marketing, utilizing, and maintaining landscape plants (woody and herbaceous plants and turf grasses), plus related products, equipment, and services including landscape design. To give FFA members an opportunity to use the nursery and landscape skills they have acquired in horticulture and to make them career aware of the horticulture enterprises in Alabama.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

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Fourth Place	chapter banner

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PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To encourage students to learn to effectively participate in a business meeting and to assist in the development of their leadership skills.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District and state teams will be composed of a maximum of six team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First and second place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA Convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS

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POULTRY CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

To stimulate learning activities related to production, processing, marketing, and consumption of poultry products. To give FFA members an opportunity to use the skills they have acquired in agriculture education and to make them career aware of the poultry enterprises in Alabama.

ELEGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

The team will be composed of a maximum of four members. The three highest scorers will make up the team.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners in each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the team representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion team will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state team be unable to participate in the national event, the second place team may go instead.

STATE AWARDS

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Mr. Johnny Adams
P.O. Box 240
Montgomery, Alabama 36101
CC: Wanda Linker

PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

This event is designed to develop agricultural leadership through providing for member participation in agricultural public speaking activities and stimulating interest in leadership and citizenship.

ADVANCEMENT:

Chapter event should be held before **February 1**. Methods of elimination's in chapters is to be determined by local advisors. It is not necessary to report name of chapter winner to District Specialist. Three copies of the winner's manuscript must be submitted to the County Chairman one week in advance of the county event.

County event should be held before **March 1**. County Chairman will contact other local advisors in the county to determine date, time, place, selection of judges, and make any other arrangements for holding event. If only one chapter in a county has an entry, this participant is automatically the county winner. County Chairman should mail three copies of the winner's manuscript to reach the District Specialist no later than **March 15**.

It will be determined by the District Specialist if an area event should be held. Date, time, and place will be arranged by District Specialist. A local advisor at the designated place will be in charge of the event. Results of the event should be mailed at once by supervising advisor to the District Specialist. Area winner(s) will compete in district event.

The district speaking contest will be held at regular district eliminations. Advisor of winning speaker should mail three copies of manuscript to the Executive Secretary immediately following the district event.

District eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First and second place winners in each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

A travel stipend will be awarded to the chapter representing Alabama in the national event. The state champion will be selected to represent Alabama in the national event. Should the first place state winner be unable to participate in the national event, the second place winner may go instead.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
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SPONSORS: ALABAMA COUNCIL OF COOPERATIVES

Mr. Jason Thomas, President
P. O. Box 2648
Auburn, Alabama 36831-2648

MRS. E. W. UNDERWOOD

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

SAFE TRACTOR DRIVING CONTEST

PURPOSE:

The general purposes of this contest are: (1) to provide competitive activities which reflect certain abilities and areas of emphasis needed in the education of the successful future farmer; (2) to advance safety, skill and efficiency in the use of farm tractors and equipment; and (3) to give FFA members who are participating in the FFA Tractor Driving Contest an opportunity to demonstrate their skill in operating a tractor and their knowledge of tractors **(SAFETY WILL BE STRESSED THROUGHOUT THE CONTEST.)**

ELIGIBILITY AND ADVANCEMENT:

Any bona-fide active FFA member currently in high school who is enrolled in an Agriscience Education course or has completed all the Agriscience courses offered.

Only one (1) FFA member from each county will be allowed to participate in the District Contest.

District eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

Contestants must have RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM with appropriate signatures.

There is no advancement to national competition in this event.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

SPONSOR: **THOMPSON TRACTOR COMPANY**
Mr. John Shepherd, Corporate Recruiter
2070 Corporate Woods Drive
Alabaster, Alabama 35007

SMALL ENGINES CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

PURPOSE:

This event is designed to provide students of Agriscience Education and members of the FFA an opportunity to compete and demonstrate their skills, abilities, and competencies in Small Engines.

TEAM COMPOSITION AND ADVANCEMENT:

District teams will be composed of a maximum of four team members.
State teams will be composed of a maximum of three team members.

Only district eliminations will be held prior to the state event. First through fourth place winners from each district will compete in the state finals. The state event will be held during the FFA convention.

There is no advancement to national competition in this event.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

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QUARTET CONTEST

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this contest is to develop musical ability and leadership characteristics through member participation in musical activity.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

This contest is open to all junior high and senior high school students who are presently enrolled in Agriscience Education and also to those who have already completed at least one year of Agriscience Education and continues to follow a planned course of study, which includes a Supervised Agricultural Experience Program under the supervision of the Agriscience teacher. All participants must be in school and be bona-fide FFA members.

Area and/or district eliminations will be held prior to the state finals. Area eliminations may be held in conjunction with the respective FFA Public Speaking Contest. The first place and second place winners from each district will compete in state finals. Winning quartets that are unable to compete in the next highest contest should notify the District Specialist in time for the runner-up to compete.

Entries should be submitted to the County Chairman by **February 1**.

There is no advancement to national competition in this event. All state-winning quartets are, however, encouraged to participate in the National Talent program during the National FFA Convention.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
Third Place	chapter banner
Fourth Place	chapter banner

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QUIZ BOWL

PURPOSE:

The Quiz Bowl Career Development Event is designed to develop agricultural leadership by providing for 7th and 8th grade member participation in an agricultural competition based on knowledge of agriscience topics.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

School Eligibility: All 7th and 8th grade Alabama FFA Members are invited/eligible to participate in the *Alabama FFA Quiz Bowl Tournament*. **Teams shall consist of from four to six players.** No school may enter more than one team.

Player Eligibility: Players must be FFA Members at the represented school (not just the same system or in feeder schools) and must be in grades 7 or 8. Teams that play ineligible players will be disqualified from the competition.

*****Remember: Teams shall consist of up to four players and two substitutes. All six team members compete in the written test, and all team members compete in certain parts of the head to head competition (Buzzer round). All team members must be registered for the competition before the beginning of the written exam. Exceptions to the registration deadline may be made by contest officials to ensure the safety of members traveling to the competition.*

The top four place winners in the North, Central, and South Districts will compete in the state finals.

There is no advancement to national competition in this event.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	Chapter banner
Second Place	Chapter banner
Third Place	Chapter banner
Fourth Place	Chapter banner

SPONSOR: ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION

STRING BAND CONTEST

PURPOSE:

To stimulate interest in appreciation of country and western music, provide wholesome recreation, promote leadership, assist in radio and television broadcasting, promote group participation, and develop musical talent.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

This contest is open to all junior high and senior high school students who are presently enrolled in Agriscience Education and also to those who have already completed at least one year of Agriscience Education and continues to follow a planned course of study, which includes a Supervised Agricultural Experience Program under the supervision of the Agriscience teacher. All participants must be in school, and be bona fide FFA members.

Area and/or district eliminations will be held prior to the state finals. Area eliminations may be held in conjunction with the respective FFA Public Speaking Contest. The first place and second place winners from each district will compete in state finals. Winning string bands that are unable to compete in the next highest contest should notify the District Specialist in time for the runner-up to compete.

Entries should be submitted to the County Chairman by **February 1.**

There is no advancement to national competition in this event. All state-winning string bands are, however, encouraged to participate in the National Talent program during the National FFA Convention.

STATE AWARDS

First Place	chapter banner
Second Place	chapter banner
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Fourth Place	chapter banner

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Mr. Leo George, President
716 20th Avenue
Vero Beach, FL 32962

ALABAMA FFA FOUNDATION

CHAPTER AWARDS

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS PROGRAM

OVERVIEW:

The National Chapter Award program is designed to award those FFA chapters that actively implement the mission and strategies of the organization. These chapters improve chapter operations using a program of activities that emphasizes student development, chapter development and community development. Chapters are rewarded for providing educational experiences for the entire membership. This application process assists chapters in assessing their accomplishments.

ELIGIBILITY:

All chapters that are chartered by the state FFA association are eligible for and encouraged to participate in the National Chapter Award program. Chapters are eligible for recognition in the program each year.

Reports must be submitted only on the official report forms, which include the computerized version.

The quality standards established for each division represent minimum requirements for the National Chapter Award program.

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE:

No supporting materials other than the specific information requested in the application form will be accepted.

RECOGNITION AND SELECTION

STATE--SUPERIOR CHAPTER:

This award is designed to recognize FFA chapters that develop and use a program of activities.

ELIGIBILITY:

To apply for recognition, the chapter must complete Form I verifying that members have completed at least one activity related to each of the five quality standards established within the three divisions: student, chapter and community development.

RECOGNITION:

The Superior Chapter certificate will be provided each year the chapter meets the minimum quality standards for this award.

STATE GOLD, SILVER, OR BRONZE CHAPTERS:

These state awards are for those chapters that have been rated National Chapter on the state level.

ELIGIBILITY:

All chapters receiving Superior Chapter rating are eligible to compete by filling out Form II.

SELECTION:

Major activities described in Form II will be judged on the following: the goals/objectives set, the plan of action taken and the results/evaluation of the activities.

RECOGNITION:

Chapters that complete Form II will receive a plaque for use over a multi-year period. Each year a Gold, Silver or Bronze designation is awarded, the chapter will receive a plaque insert specifying the award level and year.

Each of the top five Alabama chapters will receive a chapter banner at the Annual State Convention.

NATIONAL GOLD--THREE-STAR, TWO-STAR AND ONE-STAR CHAPTERS:

These national awards are for those chapters that have been rated Gold on the state level.

ELIGIBILITY:

A state may submit the number of Gold applications equal to the top three or ten percent of the number of chapters in the state, whichever is higher.

SELECTION:

Quality standards completed on Form II will be judged on the following: the goals/objectives set, the plan of action taken and the results/evaluation of the activities.

RECOGNITION:

State Gold chapter award winners will be recognized as Three-Star Gold, Two-Star Gold or One-Star gold on the national level. The National Star plaque is designed for use over a multi-year period. An engraved plate with the inscription "Three-Star," "Two-Star" or "One-Star" may be affixed to the plaque and will be provided each year a chapter attains this level of recognition.

"Model of Innovation" awards will be given to the top ten chapters in each of the three divisions: student, chapter and community development. Only Three-Star Gold Chapters will be recognized.

A national award winner from the Three-Star gold Chapters will be announced for each of the three divisions.

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NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION

M. K. HEATH ANIMAL HEALTH AWARD

PURPOSE:

To recognize the FFA member who carries out the best health and sanitation program in the state each year.

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

The program consists of a minimum of two type-written pages concerning the health and sanitation practices the member carries out on the applicant's farm. You may also submit any number of pictures substantiating these practices.

The application should include how often a member vaccinates, worms, castrates, etc., and the amount of dosage he/she gives. The name of the medicine used is very important.

The applications are due to the FFA Executive Secretary by **March 1**.

STATE AWARD: \$100.00 and plaque

SPONSOR: **ALABAMA VETERINARY ASSOCIATION**

Dr. Tony Frazier
State Veterinarian
P.O. Box 3336
Montgomery, Alabama 36109

CRIME PREVENTION AWARD

PURPOSE:

To assist FFA chapters in taking an active role in crime prevention in the home and community. Yearly FBI statistics show that crime is increasing in both urban and rural areas; the most prevalent being crimes against property (vandalism, theft, and burglary). Through the FFA Chapter Crime Prevention Award Program, FFA chapters have an opportunity to help law enforcement fight crime by becoming involved and participating in local community crime prevention projects and activities. (Every member should be involved, and every chartered chapter should submit an application for this award.)

ELIGIBILITY AND REGULATIONS:

All active chapters are eligible and encouraged to compete. Records submitted should be for the current year. Forms I and II must be submitted for district and state judging. All competing chapters are eligible for state consideration. Mail applications to FFA Executive Secretary by **March 15**.

STATE AWARDS:

First Place	\$300.00 and chapter banner
Second Place	200.00 and chapter banner
Third Place	150.00 and chapter banner
Fourth Place	100.00 and chapter banner

SPONSORS: **ALABAMA FARMERS FEDERATION**

Mr. Brandon Moore
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Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

ALABAMA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

Mr. Bobby Timmons
Executive Director
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