



# **FFA Career Development Events** *(Floriculture and Nursery/Landscape)*

## **University of Florida Mid-Florida Research & Education Center, Apopka**

### **Friday, February 23, 2018**

We look forward to having you and your teams join us for these exciting Career Development Events at the UF Mid-Fla Research Center at 2725 S Binion Rd, Apopka 32703. **PLEASE NOTE:** This year's events take place on a Friday, rather than a Saturday as in past years.

### ***Complete Schedule of Events for the Day***

- 8:00 am Floriculture CDE Teams Arrive
- 8:15 am Registration for Floriculture CDE
- 8:45 am Floriculture CDE Welcome
- 9:00 am Floriculture CDE Begins
- 11:00 am Nursery & Landscape CDE Teams Arrive
- 11:00 am Lunch for Nursery & Landscape CDE
- 11:30 am Lunch for Floriculture CDE
- 11:30 am Registration for Nursery & Landscape CDE
- 11:45 am Nursery & Landscape CDE Welcome
- 12:00 pm Nursery & Landscape CDE Begins
- 12:30 pm Floriculture Awards Presentation
- 3:00 pm Nursery & Landscape Awards Presentation

### **Notes About Daily Schedule**

Floriculture teams will eat lunch following their CDE. Nursery & Landscape teams will eat lunch before their CDE. Please plan your arrival accordingly. Students participating in both CDEs will get lunch timing priority so they are ready for their next event.

### **General CDE Event Information**

Complete rules, specimen lists and samples of previous CDE activities. [www.flaffa.org](http://www.flaffa.org)

### **\*\*IMPORTANT\*\***

Since lunch is being provided at no cost, PLEASE e-mail Merry Mott with the total number in your group, including students and chaperones.

Questions? Phone or Text to 407-832-8277 or e-mail to [mmott@fngla.org](mailto:mmott@fngla.org)



## ***Schedule of Events for Floriculture CDE***

8:00 am Floriculture CDE Teams Arrive  
8:15 am Registration for Floriculture CDE  
8:45 am Floriculture CDE Welcome  
9:00 am Floriculture CDE Begins  
11:30 am Lunch for Floriculture CDE  
12:30 pm Floriculture Awards Presentation

## ***Event Outline***

### ***Identification of Plants and Equipment***

Thirty-five (35) specimen from the Floriculture Plant List and fifteen (15) from the Equipment & Supply List included in the Florida FFA Competitive Event Guide will be displayed to identify.

### ***Identifying and Controlling Plant Disorders (high school only)***

Participants will utilize the list of pests in the Florida FFA Competitive Event Guide and be asked to classify, identify, and if appropriate, choose the best chemical or biological control.

### ***Customer Service***

Participants will assume the role of an employee in a greenhouse, garden center or florist shop. They will be asked to determine the best approach to customer service when presented with common situations they may encounter as a professional.

### ***Plant Soil Water Relationships (high school only)***

The relationship between soil, air, and water is one of the least understood aspects in the production and maintenance of plants. Participants will demonstrate a basic understanding of the factors that influence success in this relationship through a written, problem-solving exam.

### ***Floral Skills***

The American Institute of Floral Designers will again bring a creative floral activity to this year's CDE. This year's activity will be a bud vase.

## ***Schedule of Events for Nursery & Landscape CDE***

- 11:00 am Nursery & Landscape CDE Teams Arrive
- 11:00 am Lunch for Nursery & Landscape CDE
- 11:30 am Registration for Nursery & Landscape CDE
- 11:45 am Nursery & Landscape CDE Welcome
- 12:00 pm Nursery & Landscape CDE Begins
- 3:00 pm Nursery & Landscape Awards Presentation

### ***Event Outline***

#### ***Identification of Plant, Pest and Equipment***

Thirty (30) specimen from the Nursery & Landscape Plant List, fifteen (15) from the Pests, Disorders & Beneficial Insects List, and fifteen (15) from the Equipment & Supplies List included in the Florida FFA Competitive Event Guide will be displayed to identify.

#### ***Landscape Estimating (high school only)***

Participants will be asked to evaluate a landscape plan and determine an estimate. This will be done in a written format, using a landscape plan and possibly photos of the landscaped site. The participant must be able to read a landscape plan, determine the needed materials, create a bid for installation or estimate maintenance costs.

#### ***Customer Service***

Participants will assume the role of an employee in a nursery, garden center or landscape business. They will be asked to determine the best approach to customer service when presented with common situations they may encounter as a professional.

#### ***Plant Soil Water Relationships (high school only)***

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#### ***Equipment***

Participants must be familiar with common nursery and landscape industry equipment. They will be provided with pertinent information from the equipment users' manuals and be asked to demonstrate or explain how to do a safety evaluation, safely operate and properly maintain the equipment.