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To: New Jersey FFA Chapter Advisors/Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource Educators

From: Erin E. Noble, State FFA Specialist

CC: Nancy J. Trivette, State FFA Advisor

RE: Career Development Events at Eastern PA FFA CDE Day (Lebanon Expo Center) - **Tuesday, May 2, 2017**

The Eastern Region of the Pennsylvania FFA Association is hosting the **Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event**, the **Food Science & Technology Career Development Event**, the **Agronomy Career Development Event** and the **Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event** which will serve as New Jersey's qualifying events for the 2017 National FFA Convention. **These events will be held at the Lebanon Expo Center** in Lebanon, PA on **Tuesday, May 2, 2017** starting at **9:00 a.m.** The address is 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA 17042. Additional details and event information will be provided closer to the event.

Please submit the participant list at <https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=6153> by **March 15, 2017**. We will register your team with the Pennsylvania FFA Association.

Please utilize the New Jersey CDE Handbooks to prepare your teams, which can be found on the State Activity Guide (12.000 documents). Please prepare for ALL areas outlined in the handbook. If additional information is provided from PA FFA, it will be shared when received. Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Poultry Evaluation and Livestock Evaluation teams must consist of four members. The scores of all four individuals in this event will count as the team score.

The chapter with the highest team score in each event will have the opportunity to represent the New Jersey FFA Association at the National FFA Career Development Event in Indianapolis, IN in October 2017 (if they achieve 60% team mastery or above) and the Eastern States Regional FFA Career Development Events in Springfield, Massachusetts in September 2017 (if event is available).

A \$9.00 participant fee per contestant or \$36.00 fee per team will be assessed for each chapter participating. If your chapter has at least Blue Affiliation, the fee is waived. Please use the online form to sign-up for these events. Participant lists must be emailed to ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us. Payment should be forwarded prior to the registration deadline. Make checks payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey. Checks may be mailed to: Office of Agricultural Education, New Jersey Department of Agriculture, PO Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625-0330.