THE FFA ORGANIZATION

The National FFA Organization is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. FFA uses agricultural education to create real world success.

FFA is a national organization of students enrolled in agricultural education in 50 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia. Organized in November 1928, FFA is an integral part of the curriculum in agricultural education departments in the public schools. All students in these programs are to receive instruction in personal leadership, growth and development which can best be achieved through FFA.

Through active participation in FFA, members learn by taking part in and conducting meetings, speaking in public, participating in contests based on occupational skills, earning awards and recognition and becoming involved in cooperative efforts and community improvement. FFA offers opportunities for becoming productive citizens in our democracy.

FFA members believe in leadership, citizenship and patriotism. They believe in free enterprise - freedom under the law - in making their homes, schools and communities better places in which to live and work.

Each state association is charged with the development of the FFA leadership program within the state, operating contests and award programs at the state level, and issuing chapter charters.

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Enter online at www.GeorgiaNationalFair.com
(https://www.georgianationalfair.com/p/georgialiving/youth) by September 23, 2026.

Advisors must email contests@gnfa.com to obtain required password, which must be obtained by September 21, 2026. Late entries will not be processed.

Exhibitors will be required to turn in a copy of their online registration confirmation to check-in for competitions.

At the request of Georgia FFA, due to the FFA National Convention dates, pickup for FFA projects has changed. Projects will now be picked up:

Release Time: Saturday, October 24, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday, October 27, 10:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday, October 28, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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FFA RULES

ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO READ AND ABIDE BY THE GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS. PLEASE NOTE: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CERTAINLY EMAIL US AT CONTESTS@GNFA.COM. PLEASE HELP US PREVENT ENTRY DISQUALIFICATIONS.

1. Open to all bona fide FFA members in the state of Georgia. Entries may be made for individuals or teams of two, but must be submitted through the club advisor. Projects completed by more than two students must be entered as Chapter projects.
2. Students who graduated last year are eligible to enter work completed in their senior year. Exceptions: Dendrology Notebooks and any contest requiring the student's presence at the Fair.
3. **ONLINE REGISTRATION WITH GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR IS REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRIES.**
4. **A TEACHER/ADVISOR/AGENT MUST BE PRESENT FOR DELIVERY AND PICKUP OF EXHIBITS.**
5. All projects **worthy** of a ribbon will be placed in either the "Blue Ribbon", "Red Ribbon" or "White Ribbon" group when judged.
6. Please check each section for points assigned, for Champion and Reserve Champion awards and for Superior Chapter award information. Champion and Reserve Champion, where offered, will be chosen from blue ribbon winners only.
7. Premiums will be offered in all classes and will be paid on the basis of a point system (see sections for points available) and the money available. Except where noted otherwise, the standard premium will be 10 cents per point which is paid to the exhibitor.
8. NOTE: Due to increased administrative costs, for chapters/clubs that earn less than $15 in cumulative premiums, the exhibitors who place will receive ribbons, but will not be issued a check.
9. All entries must remain on display until posted pickup days after the fair is over. Early removal of entries will result in forfeiture of any premium and disqualification from current and future competitions.
10. Entries must be checked out with GNF staff during scheduled pickup times. Entries not picked up following proper procedure will forfeit all points earned. This will affect chapter's standing for championship awards.
11. NEW - FOR INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS, ADVISORS MAY ENTER AS MANY ALTERNATES AS THEY WISH, BUT ONLY THE STATED LIMIT PER COMPETITION MAY COMPETE. For example, if the limit for a competi-

tion is 5, you may register more than 5 with alternates, but only 5 will be able to compete. Each alternate must be registered individually with the student name in the Student Name field. **No substitution of students' name allowed.**

ONLINE REGISTRATION

You will log in as your "club", but all contests will be entered in the Chapter/Club name.
When you add the exhibitor, you will use the Team Company toggle to change the field and enter your Chapter name and organization (example - Best High School FFA). You will add all entries under this one exhibitor name. Individual student names must be entered in the Student Name field.

All checks $15 or more will be made out to the Chapter and the advisor/agent will be responsible for distributing funds to participants. Participant names must be entered in the Student Name field for each entry to be able to track premium awards.

GRAND CHAMPION FFA CHAPTER $500

The six Chapters placing in either Superior Champion or Reserve Superior Champion from the three divisions of FFA (Ag Mechanics, Horticulture and Forestry) will be eligible to compete for the Grand Champion FFA Chapter. The chapter accumulating the most eligible points will be declared the Grand Champion Chapter.

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Grand Champion Tiebreakers

If the total points for a championship award are tied, the winner will be determined based on the number of first places won. If the number of first places is tied, the count will go to second places, third places, etc., until the tie is broken. In the unlikely case that both teams have the same number of points and the same ribbon counts, the title will be determined by the highest scoring entries based on the competition scorecards/criteria. If there is still a tie after scores are considered, the title will be shared, and the prize money will be split. If the tie is for the Grand Champion, the prize money for Grand and Reserve, if any, will be split. If the tie is for Reserve Champion, the Reserve Champion money will be split. In either case, a second plaque will be ordered and shipped to the team.

Congratulations!

2025 Georgia National Fair FFA Superior Performance Award Winners

FFA Overall Superior Chapter
Perry High FFA

Ag. Mechanics Superior Chapter
Perry High FFA

Ag. Mechanics Reserve Superior Chapter
Peach County High FFA

Forestry Superior Chapter
Atkinson County High FFA

Reserve Superior Chapter
Rutland High FFA

Horticulture Superior Chapter
Malcom Bridge Middle FFA

Horticulture Reserve Superior Chapter
Tift County High FFA

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS DEPARTMENT

Enter online at www.GeorgiaNationalFair.com
(https://www.georgianationalfair.com/p/georgialiving/youth) by September 23, 2026.

Arrival Time: Thursday, October 1 - Saturday, October 3
(Weekdays 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)
(Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM)
***NO SUNDAY DELIVERY**

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THE FAIRGROUNDS CANNOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER 6:00 PM OCTOBER 28.
EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER THIS TIME BECOME PROPERTY OF THE FAIR AND MAY BE DISPOSED OF.

BRING ONLY FINISHED PROJECTS!

1. **ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO READ AND ABIDE BY THE GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS. PLEASE NOTE: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CERTAINLY EMAIL US AT CONTESTS@GNFA.COM. PLEASE HELP US PREVENT ENTRY DISQUALIFICATIONS.**
2. **A TEACHER/ADVISOR/AGENT MUST BE PRESENT FOR DELIVERY AND PICKUP OF EXHIBITS.**
3. **Exhibitors must be preregistered through the Georgia National Fair online entry system. Online entries must be received by September 23, 2026.** Advisors must email contests@gnfa.com to obtain required password, by September 21, 2026. Password is required to register. **Late entries will not be processed. No substitution of students' names allowed.**
4. All projects must be completed, although accessories needed to make the exhibit functional are not necessary; i.e., hydraulic jack for a press.
5. Articles exhibited must have been constructed by FFA members either as a part of their agricultural mechanics instruction in agricultural education or as a part of their supervised agricultural experience program.
6. **No chapter may enter more than three of the same mechanics project.** EXAMPLE - a chapter may not enter 4 gun racks, 4 picnic tables, etc.
7. An article may be shown only once at the Georgia National Fair unless extensively modified. Article does not have to be constructed during the year it is exhibited.
8. All articles must be painted or properly treated, such as feeders, etc. All articles must be clean and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used. Articles designed to be hung must have hanging method attached (wire, bracket, etc.).
9. **If there is a question as to the proper category in which an article must be placed, please consult with the area teacher before preregistration.**
10. **Entries will be judged on the basis of workmanship, finish, design, strength, usefulness and suitability.**
11. If a project is entered in the wrong division, it may be judged for a ribbon place, but will not be eligible for a Grand Champion or Reserve Champion ribbon. NOTE: Judges will make final determination of proper classification.
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tion is 5, you may register more than 5 with alternates, but only 5 will be able to compete. Each alternate must be registered individually with the student name in the Student Name field. **No substitution of students' name allowed.**

Agricultural Mechanics Entry Guidelines

SMALL - Projects that measure less than 3' in height, length or width will be classified as a small project.
MEDIUM - Projects that measure 3'1" to 6' in height, length or width will be classified as a medium project.
LARGE - Projects that measure 6'1" or larger will be classified as a large project.

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR
SUPERIOR FFA AG MECHANICS CHAPTER

Superior FFA Ag. Mechanics Chapter - $500
Reserve Superior FFA Ag. Mechanics Chapter - $250

The FFA Chapter accumulating the most points from their 15 best projects (which must be 5 large, 5 medium, 5 small projects) in the Agricultural Mechanics Department will be the Georgia National Fair Superior FFA Mechanics Chapter. Projects may come from Reconditioned or Built Projects or a combination of both. The winning chapter will receive $500 and a plaque. A tie will be broken by the judges based on their ranking of the 15 best projects from each chapter in regard to workmanship, finish, design, strength, usefulness and suitability. A ranking (1 to 10, with 10 being best) will be assigned to each of the 15 projects. The chapter with the most points for the 15 projects will be the winner. The second place chapter will receive $250 and a Georgia National Fair Reserve Superior FFA Mechanics Chapter plaque.

Tips From Past Judges

1. Project drawing must be drawn to scale, with all dimensions given. A complete list of materials used to build the project and the cost of materials must be included. The drawing may be a hand drawing or computer drawn. Please do not use a photo plan from a book.
2. Reconditioned Projects and Projects from Repurposed Materials must have pictures to show judges the work done on the project and a complete list of materials or parts used to restore the project.
3. Judges evaluate the quality of workmanship on each project. They look at the degree of accuracy of the cuts, how the project is assembled, project preparation for finishing and the overall appearance of the finished project.
4. Sand well. If your piece is not sanded well, there will be rough spots and/or the finish will be affected.
5. Remove any pencil marks.
6. Projects must have a finish (furniture).
7. Pieces should be sturdy and well-made.

Judges look for any imperfections in the projects such as:

- The material cut correctly, making square cuts, no rough edges, and joints fit together with no cracks.
- The proper use of fasteners (screws or nails), with no fasteners exposed through the wood, no hammer prints on wood and no splits caused by fasteners.
- Durability and steadiness of the project.
- Proper preparation of project for finishing - piece should be sanded, nails should be set, wood filler on any cracks or nails/screws.
- The finished project should have no grit in the final finish.
- The project should be painted, stained, or varnished with a complete coverage of the project.
- The project finish should have no runs or air bubbles.
- Metal projects should have no splatter or slag in the finished project.
- The metal edges should be grinded to prevent sharp edges on the project to be safe.
- The welding beads on the project should be uniform and have the proper penetration in the metal, with no hole from to much welding heat.

As a reminder, projects completed the previous school year are eligible for entry, as long as they were not entered the previous year. We are looking for quality pieces over quantity of pieces.

BUILT PROJECTS

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A PROJECT CONSTRUCTED BY MORE THAN TWO INDIVIDUALS MUST BE ENTERED AS A CHAPTER PROJECT (see page 9).

These projects are built from either published drawings or drawings of original design. **Each participant shall furnish a project plan for each project entered, including a bill for materials**. ***Placings will be lowered automatically if plans are not included with project.***

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADES LARGE BUILT (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOL LARGE BUILT (9TH-12TH)

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADES MEDIUM BUILT MIDDLE GRADES (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOL MEDIUM BUILT HIGH SCHOOL (9TH-12TH)

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADES SMALL BUILT MIDDLE GRADES (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOL SMALL BUILT (9TH-12TH)

CLASSES
1 Metal
2 Wood
3 Other

SMALL - Projects that measure less than 3' in height, length or width.

MEDIUM - Projects that measure 3'1" to 6' in height, length or width.

LARGE - Projects that measure 6'1" or larger.

There is no limit as to the number of items a chapter may enter per class. However, no chapter may enter more than three of the same mechanics projects. Individuals are limited to one project per class.
Each Class will be awarded points as follows:

LARGE Built Projects	
Blue	400 points
Red	200 points
White	100 points
HM	No points

MEDIUM Built Projects	
Blue	200 points
Red	100 points
White	50 points
HM	No points

SMALL Built Projects	
Blue	100 points
Red	50 points
White	25 points
HM	No points

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Large Built Projects Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Large Built Projects Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Built Projects Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Built Projects Reserve Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Built Projects Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Built Projects Reserve Champion $10, rosette & 100 points

CHAPTER BUILT PROJECTS

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Built projects shall include a project plan for each project entered, including a bill for materials. *Placings will be lowered automatically if this information is not complete and included with project.*

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADES CHAPTER BUILT PROJECTS (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOLCHAPTER BUILT PROJECTS (9TH-12TH)

CLASS 1 Chapter Built Projects

There is no limit as to the number of projects a chapter may enter in this division. However, no chapter may enter two of the same type projects.
Chapter projects are designed for projects that involve an entire group. Larger, more complicated projects will score higher.
As a reminder, projects completed the previous school year may be entered, as long as they were not previously entered.

POINTS:

Blue	400 points
Red	200 points
White	100 points
HM	No points

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Chapter Built Project Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Chapter Built Project Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

PROJECTS FROM REPURPOSED MATERIALS

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A PROJECT CONSTRUCTED BY MORE THAN TWO INDIVIDUALS MUST BE ENTERED AS A CHAPTER PROJECT (see page 11).

These projects are built from either published drawings or drawings of original design. **Each participant shall furnish a project plan for each project entered, including a bill for materials**. ***Placings will be lowered automatically if plans are not included with project.*** The REPURPOSED PROJECTS category is for projects that use reclaimed materials to construct a project different from the original use of the materials. For example, furniture made from pallets, child's chair made into a planter, tabletop made from broken dishes, etc. Simple reuse of an object (a pitcher as a vase, etc.) would not apply.

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADES LARGE REPURPOSED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL LARGE REPURPOSED (9TH-12TH)**

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADES MEDIUM REPURPOSED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL MEDIUM REPURPOSED (9TH-12TH)**

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADES SMALL REPURPOSED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL SMALL REPURPOSED (9TH-12TH)**

CLASSES
1 Metal
2 Wood
3 Other

SMALL - Projects that measure less than 3' in height, length or width.

MEDIUM - Projects that measure 3'1" to 6' in height, length or width.

LARGE - Projects that measure 6'1" or larger.

There is no limit as to the number of items a chapter may enter per class. However, no chapter may enter more than three of the same mechanics projects. Individuals are limited to one project per class.
Each Class will be awarded points as follows:

LARGE Repurposed Projects		MEDIUM Repurposed Projects		SMALL Repurposed Projects	
Blue	400 points	Blue	200 points	Blue	100 points
Red	200 points	Red	100 points	Red	50 points
White	100 points	White	50 points	White	25 points
HM	No points	HM	No points	HM	No points

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Large Repurposed Projects Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Large Repurposed Projects Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Repurposed Projects Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Repurposed Projects Reserve Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Repurposed Projects Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Repurposed Projects Reserve Champion $10, rosette & 100 points

CHAPTER PROJECTS FROM REPURPOSED MATERIALS

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Projects shall include a project plan for each project entered, including a bill for materials. *Placings will be lowered automatically if this information is not complete and included with project.* The REPURPOSED PROJECTS category is for projects that use reclaimed materials to construct a project different from the original use of the materials. For example, furniture made from pallets, child's chair made into a planter, tabletop made from broken dishes, etc.

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADES CHAPTER REPURPOSED PROJECTS (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER REPURPOSED PROJECTS (9TH-12TH)

CLASS 1 Chapter Repurposed Projects

There is no limit as to the number of projects a chapter may enter in this division. However, no chapter may enter two of the same type projects.
Chapter projects are designed for projects that involve an entire group. Larger, more complicated projects will score higher.
As a reminder, projects completed the previous school year may be entered, as long as they were not previously entered.

POINTS:

Blue	400 points
Red	200 points
White	100 points
HM	No points

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Chapter Repurposed Project Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Chapter Repurposed Project Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

RECONDITIONED PROJECTS

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A PROJECT CONSTRUCTED BY MORE THAN TWO INDIVIDUALS MUST BE ENTERED AS A CHAPTER PROJECT (see page 13).

Reconditioned projects shall include background information, pictures, parts list, cost and hours of self-labor. *Placings will be lowered automatically if this information is not complete and included with project. Reconditioned projects are items restored for their original purpose.*

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADES LARGE RECONDITIONED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL LARGE RECONDITIONED (9TH-12TH)**

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADESMEDIUM RECONDITIONED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL MEDIUM RECONDITIONED (9TH-12TH)**

DIVISION **MIDDLE GRADES SMALL RECONDITIONED (6TH-8TH)**
DIVISION **HIGH SCHOOL SMALL RECONDITIONED (9TH-12TH)**

CLASSES

1 Metal
2 Wood
3 Other

SMALL - Projects that measure less than 3' in height, length or width.

MEDIUM - Projects that measure 3'1" to 6' in height, length or width.

LARGE - Projects that measure 6'1" or larger.

There is no limit as to the number of items a chapter may enter per class. However, no chapter may enter more than three of the same mechanics project. ***The projects entered in divisions 30101-30106 must have been completed by an individual student or team of two, otherwise the project must be entered as a Chapter Project.*** *Individuals are limited to one project per class.* **A project constructed by more then two individuals must be entered as a chapter project.**

Each Class will be awarded points as follows:

LARGE Rec. Projects		MEDIUM Rec. Projects		SMALL Rec. Projects	
Blue	400 points	Blue	200 points	Blue	100 points
Red	200 points	Red	100 points	Red	50 points
White	100 points	White	50 points	White	25 points
HM	No points	HM	No points	HM	No points

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Large Reconditioned Projects Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Large Reconditioned Projects Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Reconditioned Projects Champion $30, rosette & 300 points
Medium Reconditioned Projects Reserve Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Reconditioned Projects Champion $20, rosette & 200 points
Small Reconditioned Projects Reserve Champion $10, rosette & 100 points

CHAPTER RECONDITIONED PROJECTS

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Reconditioned projects shall include background information, pictures, parts list, cost and hours of self-labor. *Placings will be lowered automatically if this information is not complete and included with project. Reconditioned projects are items restored for their original purpose.*

DIVISION MIDDLE GRADESCHAPTER RECONDITIONED PROJECTS (6TH-8TH)
DIVISION HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER RECONDITIONED PROJECTS (9TH-12TH)

CLASS 1 Chapter Reconditioned Projects

There is no limit as to the number of projects a chapter may enter in this division. However, no chapter may enter two of the same type projects.
Chapter projects are designed for projects that involve an entire group. Larger, more complicated projects will score higher.
As a reminder, projects completed the previous school year may be entered, as long as they were not previously entered.

POINTS:
Blue 400 points
Red 200 points
White 100 points
HM No points

DIVISION CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE:
Chapter Reconditioned Project Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
Chapter Reconditioned Project Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

AG. MECHANICS ID CONTEST

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When you add the exhibitor, you will use the Team Company toggle to change the field and enter your Chapter name and organization (example - Best High School FFA). You will add all entries under this one exhibitor name. **Individual names must be listed in the Student Name field.**

WHEN: Tuesday, October 13
CONTEST: 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
WHERE: Sutherland Arena

DIVISION JUNIOR AG. MECHANICS ID CONTEST
DIVISION SENIOR AG. MECHANICS ID CONTEST

CONTEST RULES:
1. The Ag, Mechanics ID Contest is open to any FFA member who is currently enrolled in grades 6-12. Each school and members are encouraged to have other displays in the Agricultural Mechanics Department. (Chapter display, minibooths and dendrology notebooks.)
2. Each school may enter as many alternates as they like, but **only 10 students may participate**. **Chapters must register each student through the GNFA online registration process.**
3. Contestants must bring a pencil and clipboard. Identification numbers will be written on answer sheet from the list.
4. Each member will identify tools and/or equipment from the FFA Ag. Technology and Equipment ID list located on the following page: **Senior Division** will have to ID 50 items & **Junior Division** will have to ID 40 items. Students may be required to identify the item from actual samples, a photograph, a written description or a use of the items, such as work that needs a certain tool to be completed properly. Each division will have 10 tiebreakers. **Students are required to be present to break ties.**
5. Scoring for both junior and senior teams will be the same. The chapter score is the total of five team members designated before the contest starts.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th-7th	8th-10th
$40	$30	$20	$15	$10	$5

Points will be awarded based on premiums Example $40 = 400 points, $30 = 300 points, etc.

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

A team representing a chapter will consist of five members. Team members must be designated before competition begins. **Junior teams will be composed of 6th - 9th grades. Senior teams will be composed of 9th - 12th grades; however a student may compete on only one team.**

Ag. Mechanics ID Contest
Chapter Champion (Team) $100 & rosette
Chapter Reserve Champion (Team) $50 & rosette
In case of an unbroken tie, money will be split.

Equipment and Tool ID Word Bank

CODE	Boring Tools/Bits	CODE	Layout Tools	CODE	Saws	CODE	Electrical Tools and Equipment
A	Brad-Point Bit	EF	Marking Gauge	BEH	Compound Miter Saw	ABEG	Cable Splicer Knife
B	Cordless Drill	EG	Chalk Line Reel	BFG	Coping Saw	ABEH	Circuit Breaker
C	Countersink Bit	EH	Combination Square	BFH	Hacksaw	ABFG	Circuit Tester
D	Forstner Bit	FG	Framing Square	BGH	Handsaw	ABFH	Device Box
E	Hand Drill	FH	Line Level	CDE	Miter Box	ABGH	Digital Multimeter
F	Masonry Bit	GH	Mason's Level	CDF	Portable Circular Saw	ACDE	Duplex Receptacle
G	Ratchet Brace	ABC	Plumb Bob	CDG	Keyhole Saw	ACDF	Fish Tape
H	Spade-Bore Bit	ABD	Post Level	CDH	Drywall Saw	ACDG	Four-Way Toggle Switch
AB	Twist Bit	ABE	Quick Square			ACDH	Ground Fault Circuit Interruptor
		ABF	Sliding T-Bevel	**CODE**	**Screwdrivers**	ACEF	Keyless Lamp
CODE	**Chisels/Files/Punches**	ABG	Torpedo Level	CEF	Flat Screwdriver	ACEH	Single Pole Toggle Switch
AC	Center Punch	ABH	Try Square	CEG	Phillips Screwdriver	ACFG	Three-Way Toggle Switch
AD	Cold Chisel	ACD	Wooden Folding Rule	CEH	Square Drive Screwdriver	ACFH	Wire Strippers
AE	Flat File	ACE	Automatic Level	CFG	Torx Screwdrivers		
AF	Half-Round File					**CODE**	**Small Engines Tools & Equipment**
AG	Nail Set	**CODE**	**Hammers**	**CODE**	**Wrecking/Prying Tools**	ACGH	Camshaft
AH	Pin Punch	ACF	Ball-Peen Hammer	CFH	Crowbar	ADEF	Compression Tester
BC	Transfer Punch	ACG	Blacksmith's or Engineer's Hammer	CGH	Flat Wrecking/Ripping Bar	ADEG	Crankshaft
BD	Triangle File	ACH	Curved Claw Hammer	DEF	Nail Claw	ADEH	Cylinder Hone
BE	Wood Chisel	ADE	Dead-Blow Hammer			ADFG	Flywheel Holder/Strap Wrench
BF	Wood Rasp	ADF	Rubber Mallet	**CODE**	**Wrenches/Sockets**	ADFH	Gear Puller
BG	Round File	ADG	Sledgehammer	DEH	Adjustable Wrench	ADGH	Piston Ring Compressor
		ADH	Straight Claw Hammer	DFG	Allen Wrench	AEFG	Piston Ring Expander
CODE	**Clamps/Vise**	AEF	Tack Hammer	DFH	Box End Wrench	AEFH	Spark Tester
BH	Bar Clamp	AEG	Welding/Chipping Hammer	DGH	Combination Wrench	AEGH	Valve Lapper
CD	Bench Vise			EFG	Deep-Well Socket	AFGH	Valve Spring Compressor
CE	C Clamp	**CODE**	**Measuring Tools**	EFH	Drive (Socket) Extension		
CF	Corner Clamp	AEH	Dial Caliper	EGH	Drive Adapter	**CODE**	**Welding Tools and Equipment**
CG	Spring Clamp	AFG	Inside Caliper	FGH	Impact Sockets	BCDE	Cutting Torch Tip
CH	Trigger Clamp	AFH	Micrometer	ABCD	Nut Driver	BCDF	Electrode Holder
		AGH	Outside Caliper	ABCE	Open-End Wrench	BCDG	Tank Regulators
CODE	**Cutters**	BCD	Tape Measure	ABCF	Pull (Flex) Handle	BCDH	GTAW Torch
DE	Aviation Cutters	BCE	Telescoping Gauge	ABCG	Ratchet Handle	BCEF	Spark Lighter
DF	Bolt Cutters	BCF	Thickness (Feeler) Gauge	ABCH	Socket	BCEG	Tip Cleaners
DG	Diagonal Cutters			ABDE	Socket Universal Joint	BCEH	Welding Gloves
DH	Sheet Metal Snips	**CODE**	**Pliers**	ABDF	Spark Plug Socket	BCFG	Welding Goggles
		BCG	Fencing Pliers	ABDG	Speed Handle	BCFH	Welding Ground Clamp
		BCH	Groove-Joint Pliers	ABDH	Torque Wrench	BCGH	Welding Helmet
		BDE	Lineman's Pliers	ABEF	Pipe Wrench	BDEF	Welding Torch Tip
		BDF	Locking Pliers				
		BDG	Long Nose Pliers				
		BDH	Slip-Joint Pliers				
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FORESTRY CHAPTER DISPLAYS

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DIVISION FORESTRY CHAPTER DISPLAYS

Theme: "ROOTED IN TRADITION: CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF HISTORY IN AMERICA'S FOREST INDUSTRY"

Ribbon	Value	
Blue	700 points	* Champion $300 & rosette
Red	500 points	* Reserve Champion $200 & rosette
White	300 points	
HM	No points	

1. **PURPOSE:**
   A. To encourage teachers and students in Agricultural Education to display the importance of forestry and natural resources education in our schools to the general public.
   B. To educate and enlighten the public as to what is being taught to students in Agricultural Education.
2. The exhibit must be an example of the school's instructional program in forestry and natural resources. It must also tell the story of how the school is meeting the needs of the students in forestry education. **One** entry allowed per school. **Exhibits from previous years may not be entered again for competition.**
3. **JUDGING:** The following scorecard will be used in judging these exhibits.
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   B. Quality - 15 pts. Quality refers to the characteristics of the exhibit based on workmanship as well as materials, objects and products used.
   C. General Appearance or Attractiveness - 15 pts. The general appearance of an exhibit must be neat and eye-catching. It must have balance and harmony. The combination of form and color must make a good impression.
   D. Informational Education Value - 40 pts. The exhibit must contain facts and information that quickly tell a story of importance to its viewers.
   E. Creativity and Clarity - 15 pts. The work must be original with a clear message of the theme.
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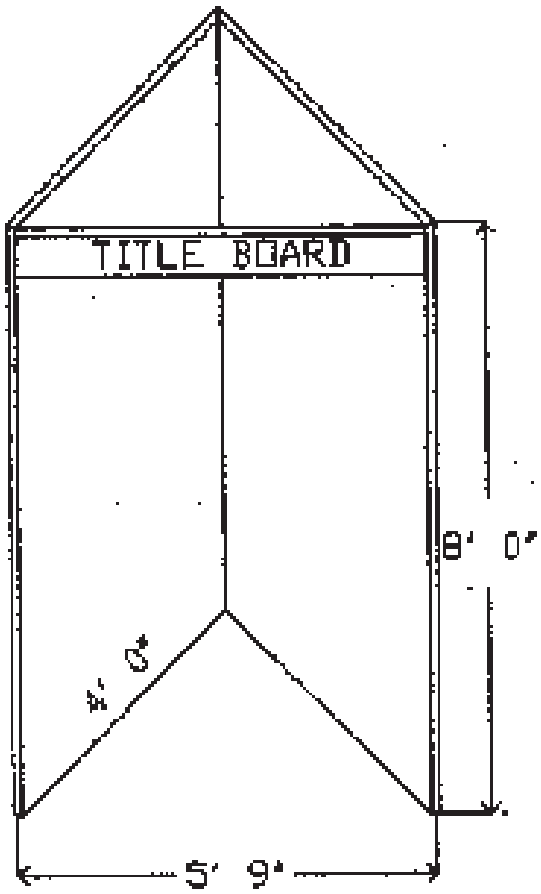

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DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK

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DIVISION **Junior Dendrology Notebook (Students in the 9th grade and below)**
DIVISION **Senior Dendrology Notebook**

CONTEST RULES:

1. Each school may enter up as many alternates as they wiash, but only **3 students' leaf collection notebooks will compete in each of the above classes (6 notebooks total). The notebook must be the FFA notebook or any other standard hardback notebook. The entire class must use the same type and color notebook.**
2. Each notebook will contain tree samples from the **Forestry Field Day Tree ID list.**
3. Each Senior notebook must contain 40 forest tree species that are listed in the FFA Awards Bulletin. Each Junior notebook must contain 36 forest tree species that are listed in the FFA Awards Bulletin. Each notebook must contain a minimum of six conifers, four of which must include loblolly, longleaf, shortleaf and slash pines. The remaining leaves must be hardwoods. Consideration must be given to trees that are economically important and natural to the area. Extra leaves may be included, but will only be considered for tie-breaking purposes.
4. All notebooks must be original student work, prepared by the student entering the contest. Students must be enrolled in middle school or high school at the time of this competition. A signed statement must be included stating that the notebook was constructed by the entrant.
5. Each notebook must contain:
   A. Student's name, school, grade, instructor's name
   B. Table of contents listing each species in the notebook
   C. Leaves arranged by conifers and hardwoods
   D. A written (typed or hand printed) description of the specimen, including common name, descriptive features of the species, key characteristics, wood description, uses, location where sample was found, and distribution area**.**

This information must be on the right-hand page of the notebook and the leaf specimen must be on the left-hand page of the notebook.

   E. A written signed statement by Agriculture Teacher and Student stating the notebook is the original work of the FFA member entering the notebook.
6. Display will be graded on: neatness, uniformity, quality of specimens, accuracy of identified specimens, quality and originality of descriptions.

Ribbon	Value
Blue	200 points
Red	100 points
White	50 points
HM	No points

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For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

*Junior Division Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
*Junior Divison Reserve Champion, $30, rosette & 300 points
*Senior Division Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
*Senior Division Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR

DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK

GRADING SHEET

STUDENT NAME _____ CHAPTER _____

1. STATEMENT SHEET PRESENT _____ MISSING _____

2. TABLE OF CONTENTS PRESENT _____ MISSING _____

3. REQUIRED TREES IN NOTEBOOK PRESENT _____ MISSING _____

4. REQUIRED TOTAL NUMBER OF TREES PRESENT _____ MISSING _____

5. LOCATION OF COLLECTED TREES LISTED PRESENT _____ MISSING _____

6. NUMBER OF TREES NOT SPELLED CORRECTLY _____

7. TREES NOT ON JR OR SR LISTNOF FFA TREES

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8. OTHER IMPROVEMENT NOTES

MINIBOOTH - FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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DIVISION FORESTRY MINIBOOTH

Minibooths may be individual or team of two and participants may enter a maximum of **one** entry. **Each chapter is limited to a maximum of five booths.** There is no specified theme for this competition but theme must relate to forestry and natural resources. Exhibits must fit into prebuilt display areas provided by the Fair. The display area will be a triangle 30"x30"x36", with a two-sided backdrop of 30"x24" panels hinged together. **POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR DISPLAYS EXTENDING BEYOND THESE DIMENSIONS.** The display booths are unpainted plywood and are approximately 30"off the floor. Use of the "floor" of the minibooth to create a three-dimensional exhibit is strongly encouraged.

Displays may be stapled, tacked or taped onto the wooden panels. Do not use glue, paint or nails. **NO ELECTRICITY IS AVAILABLE FOR MINIBOOTHS.**

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Exhibits not suitable for family viewing will not be displayed.

The exhibit tag furnished by the Georgia National Fair must be placed on the upper right-hand corner of the right partition of the exhibit booth. Exhibits from previous years may not be entered again.

Minibooths will be judged on: Theme title (15 pts), Quality (15 pts), Attractiveness (15 pts), Educational Value (40 pts), Creativity and Clarity (15 pts)

*Division Champion $100, rosette & 400 points
*Division Reserve Champion $50, rosette & 250 points

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Blue	200 points
Red	100 points
White	50 points
HM	No points

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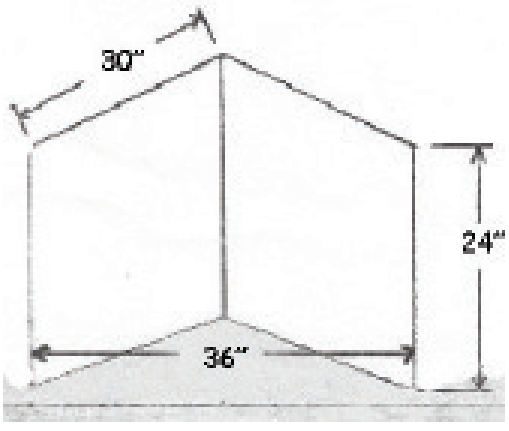

MINIBOOTH TABLETOP DESIGN

TREE ID CONTEST

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WHEN: Tuesday, October 13
CONTEST: 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
WHERE: SUTHERLAND ARENA

DIVISION JUNIOR TREE ID CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)
DIVISION SENIOR TREE ID CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)

CONTEST RULES:
1. The Tree ID Contest is open to any FFA member who is currently enrolled in grades 6-12. Each school and members are encouraged to have other displays in the Forestry and Natural Resources Department. (Chapter display, minibooths and notebooks.)
2. Each school may enter as many alternates as they wish, but **only 10 students will compete**. **Chapters must register each student through the GNFA online registration process.**
3. Contestants must bring a pencil and clipboard. Identification numbers will be written on answer sheet from the list.
4. Each member will identify species of trees from a list from the **Forestry Field Day** list**.** Each species' sample may be the entire tree, small limb, leaf spray, fruit, nuts or a brief description of key characteristics. **Students are required to be present to break ties.**
5. Scoring for both junior and senior teams will be the same. The chapter score is the total of five team members designated before the contest begins.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th-7th	8th-10th
$40	$30	$20	$15	$10	$5

Points will be awarded based on premiums Example $40 = 400 points, $30 = 300 points, etc.

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

A team representing a chapter will consist of five members. Team members must be designated before competition begins. **Junior teams will be composed of 6th - 9th grades. Senior teams will be composed of 9th - 12th grades; however a student may compete on only one team.**

Tree ID Contest
Chapter Champion (Team) $100 & rosette
Chapter Reserve Champion (Team) $50 & rosette
In case of an unbroken tie, money will be split.

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR JR TREE ID CONTEST AND DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK LIST

Common Name	Scientific Name
1. American Beech	*Fagus grandifolia*
2. American Elm	*Ulmus americana*
3. American Holly	*Ilex opaca*
4. American Hornbeam	*Carpinus caroliniana*
5. American Sycamore	*Platanus occidentalis*
6. Ash	*Fraxinus spp.*
7. Baldcypress	*Taxodium distichum*
8. Black Cherry	*Prunus serotina*
9. Black Locust	*Robinia pseudoacacia*
10. Black Oak	*Quercus velutina*
11. Black Walnut	*Juglans nigra*
12. Black Willow	*Salix nigra*
13. Blackgum	*Nyssa sylvatica*
14. Blackjack Oak	*Quercus marilandica*
15. Boxelder	*Acer negundo*
16. Buckeye	*Aesculus spp.*
17. Catalpa	*Catalpa bignonioides*
18. Cherrybark Oak	*Quercus pagoda*
19. Chestnut Oak	*Quercus prinus*
20. Eastern Cottonwood	*Populus deltoides*
21. Eastern Hemlock	*Tsuga canadensis*
22. Eastern Redbud	*Cercis canadensis*
23. Eastern Redcedar	*Juniperus virginiana*
24. Eastern White Pine	*Pinus strobus*
25. Flowering Dogwood	*Cornus florida*
26. Hazel Alder	*Alnus serrulata*
27. Laurel Oak	*Quercus laurifolia*
28. Live Oak	*Quercus virginiana*
29. Loblolly Pine	*Pinus taeda*
30. Longleaf Pine	*Pinus palustris*
31. Mockernut Hickory	*Carya tomentosa*
32. Mulberry	*Morus spp.*
33. Overcup Oak	*Quercus lyrata*

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR JR TREE ID CONTEST AND DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK LIST

Common Name	Scientific Name
34. Persimmon	*Diospyrus virginiana*
35. Post Oak	*Quercus stellata*
36. Red Maple	*Acer rubrum*
37. River Birch	*Betula nigra*
38. Sassafras	*Sassafras albidum*
39. Scarlet Oak	*Quercus coccinea*
40. Shortleaf Pine	*Pinus echinata*
41. Slash Pine	*Pinus elliottii*
42. Sourwood	*Oxydendrun arboreum*
43. Southern Magnolia	*Magnolia grandiflora*
44. Southern Red Oak	*Quercus falcata*
45. Spruce Pine	*Pinus glabra*
46. Sugarberry	*Celtis laevigata*
47. Sweetbay	*Magnolia virginiana*
48. Sweetgum	*Liquidambar styraciflua*
49. Turkey Oak	*Quercus laevis*
50. Virginia Pine	*Pinus virginiana*
51. Water Oak	*Quercus nigra*
52. White Oak	*Quercus alba*
53. Willow Oak	*Quercus phellos*
54. Winged Elm	*Ulmus alata*
55. Yellow Poplar	*Liriodendron tulipifera*

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR SR TREE ID CONTEST AND DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK LIST

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1. Allegheny Chinkapin	*Castanea pumila*
2. American Beech	*Fagus grandifolia*
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9. Basswood	*Tilia spp.*
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25. Cucumbertree	*Magnolia acuminata*
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29. Eastern Redbud	*Cercis canadensis*
30. Eastern Redcedar	*Juniperus virginiana*
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GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR SR TREE ID CONTEST AND DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK LIST

32. Flowering Dogwood	*Cornus florida*
33. Hazel Alder	*Alnus serrulata*
34. Honeylocust	*Gleditsia triacanthos*
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36. Leyland Cypress	*Cupressocyparis x Leylandii*
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59. Silver Maple	*Acer saccharinum*
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61. Sourwood	*Oxydendrun arboreum*
62. Southern Magnolia	*Magnolia grandiflora*
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GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR SR TREE ID CONTEST AND DENDROLOGY NOTEBOOK LIST

64. Spruce Pine	*Pinus glabra*
65. Sugar Maple	*Acer saccharum*
66. Sugarberry	*Celtis laevigata*
67. Sumac	*Rhus spp.*
68. Sweetbay	*Magnolia virginiana*
69. Sweetgum	*Liquidambar styraciflua*
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   Floral Design Contest Entries.....2
   Floral Designs.....5
   Horticultural Research.....5
   Landscape Plans.....10
   Large Displays.....1
   Minibooth Exhibits.....5
   Plants/Materials.....5
5. All entries must be tagged with Georgia National Fair Entry Tag before judging.
6. An entry may be exhibited only once at the Georgia National Fair unless it has been extensively modified (live plant classes are excluded).
7. **No toxic substance may be used or displayed.** Empty cleaned containers may be displayed.
8. The chapter must assume responsibility for loose tools, accessories or other items. A fastening device must be used to secure items to display.
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A tie will be broken by the total number of points accumulated for all entries.

In the case of a tie based on total points, the chapter with the most blue ribbons will be declared the champion. If the number of blue ribbons are the same, it will proceed to red, then white.

The second place chapter will receive $250 and a Georgia National Fair Reserve Superior FFA Horticulutre Chapter plaque.

HORTICULTURE CHAPTER DISPLAYS

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DIVISION **HORTICULTURE CHAPTER DISPLAYS**

CLASS 1 **Horticulture Chapter Display**

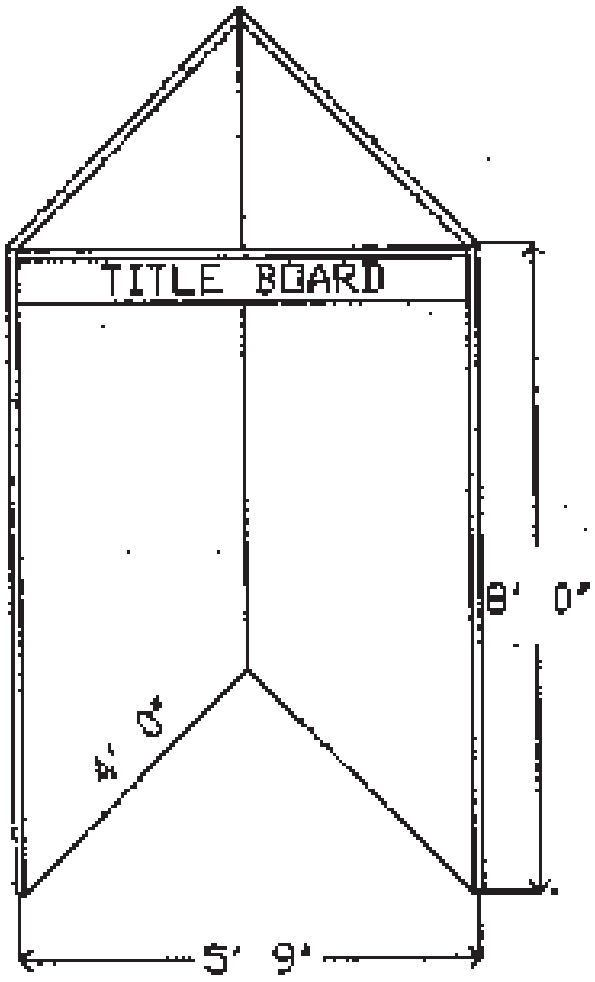
Each year there will be a different theme for the horticulture chapter displays.

2026 THEME: "LIBERTY GARDENS: SOLDIERS OF THE SOIL"

EDUCATIONAL FOCUS: This theme highlights the history of Victory Gardens or "Liberty Gardens" during World War I and II, where citizens grew their own food to support the war effort. Showcasing easy-to-grow vegetables that families can grow at home. The booth can look like a 1940s "Victory Garden."

A chapter may enter only <u>one</u> exhibit in this division.
Online entries must be made by September 23, 2026.

Display area to be a triangle 4'x4'x5'6", with a two-sided backdrop of 4'x8' panels hinged together. These panels will be supplied by the Fair and will be in place ready for use by September 25. Chapters may use staples, thumbtacks, or small finishing nails to attach their exhibit. **<u>Chapters may not use live animals, produce that may spoil, or toxic substances may not be used in the display</u>.** Empty cleaned containers may be displayed. ***Items of value are placed in the booth at the risk of the exhibitor.***
Use of the floor space within the triangle to create a three-dimensional exhibit is strongly encouraged. There will be an approximately 12"x5'6" title board across the top for your use. See sketch below. **Display will be judged on the chapter's ability to put together an attractive, creative and informative display based on the theme "Liberty Gardens: Soldiers of the Soil"** Displays will be judged as follows: Project related to yearly theme (10 pts), Accuracy and relevance of horticultural content (20 pts), Practical application/real-world connection (15 pts), student's own work/proper citations/no plagiarism (10 pts), Visual appeal/ attractiveness/neatness (10 pts), Creativity/originality/innovation design (15 pts), and Use of 3D display space (20 pts).



<u>Ribbon</u>	<u>Value</u>
Blue	700 points
Red	500 points
White	300 points
HM	No points

*Champion $300 & rosette
*Reserve Champion $200 & rosette

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Horticulture Exhibits

Scoring Rubrics

Chapter Display

Category	Description	Points Possible	Points Earned
Project related to yearly theme	• Exhibit addresses and reflects the theme outlined in the current year's GA National Fair Youth Educational Exhibit Guidelines.	10	
Accuracy and relevance of horticultural content	• The project clearly shows a deep understanding of horticultural concepts. • The information presented is horticulturally accurate. • Information is concise and easy to understand.	20	
Practical Application/Real-World Connection	• Clearly illustrates how the horticultural topic or techniques apply to real-world scenarios. • Includes practical examples or applicable horticultural practices.	15	
Student's own work/Proper Citations/ No Plagiarism	• All content is original or clearly and properly cited. • External sources (information, images, data) are accurately acknowledged. • Exhibit shows no evidence of plagiarism.	10	
Visual Appeal/ Attractiveness/ Neatness	• Exhibit is visually appealing, neat, and logically organized. • Labels clearly identify components of the display and enhance viewer understanding.	10	
Creativity/Originality/Innovative design	• Project demonstrates fresh ideas, creative thinking, and innovative approaches. • Display includes unique features or imaginative elements not commonly seen.	15	
Use of 3D Display Space	• Exhibit effectively utilizes three-dimensional space, enhancing viewer engagement and understanding. • Elements demonstrate thoughtful and intentional spatial design.	20	
		Total Points Earned	

FLORAL DESIGN EXHIBITS

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DIVISION FLORAL DESIGN EXHIBIT

CLASSES
1 Floral Design (Live)
2 Floral Design (Silk/Dried)

Ribbon	Value
Blue	100 points
Red	80 points
White	50 points
HM	No points

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

*Division Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
*Division Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

Theme for 2026 Floral Arrangements:
"LIBERTY IN BLOOM"

Individuals are limited to one entry per class in this division; chapters are limited to a maximum of five entries in this division. Entries will be judged as follows: Project related to yearly theme (20 pts.), Design principles followed (20 pts), Technique & Workmanship (20 pts), Balance & Color Interest, (20 pts), Functionality & Suitability (10 pts), and Judge's Choice (10 pts).

Explanation of Floral Arrangement Terms:
Design: Design is the overall shape or form of composition, a planned relationship of the parts. The elements of design include: line (linear patterns attracting the eye to the focal point); form (three dimensional shape); texture (surface appearance of materials); color (use of tints, tones, shades of hues); the pleasing way in which lines, textures, sizes and colors are blended or contrasted; and the tying together of the parts by the combination of good design, balance and harmony.
Technique & Workmanship: The method used to put the arrangement together and how well the arrangement withstands use and movement, soundness of construction.
Balance & Color Interest : Visual stability: determined by the relative sizes of material and relative darkness or lightness, and the placement of them.
Functionality & Suitability: Appropriateness of arrangement for use intended.

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Horticulture Exhibits

Scoring Rubrics

Floral Design Exhibits / Live, Silk, Dried

Category	Description	Points Possible	Points Earned
Project related to yearly theme	• Exhibit addresses and reflects the theme outlined in the current year's GA National Fair Youth Educational Exhibit Guidelines.	20	

Design Principles Followed	• Demonstrates a strong understanding and application of floral design principles
	  ○ Balance: Visual equilibrium (symmetrical, asymmetrical, radial).
	  ○ Rhythm: Visual movement and flow.
	  ○ Unity: Cohesion and harmony of elements.
	  ○ Proportion: Scale and relationship of parts to the whole.
	  ○ Focal Point: Dominant area of interest.
	  ○ Harmony: Pleasing combination of materials.
		20	

Technique and Workmanship	• Exhibit shows precise construction, attention to detail, and professional technique. • Cleanliness: No visible glue, wire, or mechanics. • Stability: Secure and well-constructed arrangement. • Condition of Materials: Freshness, cleanliness, and quality of flowers and foliage (or silk/dried materials). • Technique: Proper wiring, taping, and placement.	20	
Balance and Color Interest	• Arrangement displays visual balance and effective use of color to create interest. • Color combinations enhance overall aesthetic appeal.	20	
Functionality and Suitability	• Arrangement is practical and suitable for the intended setting or event. • Design fits the intended use (e.g., table centerpiece, hand bouquet, etc.). • Design appropriately meets intended use or theme.	10	
Judge's Choice	• Overall creativity, originality, and appeal of the arrangement as evaluated by the judge.	10	
		Total Points Earned	

LANDSCAPE PLANS

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DIVISION LANDSCAPE PLAN

CLASSES	Ribbon	Value
1 Landscape Plans, CAD	Blue	200 points
2 Landscape Plans, Hand drawn	Red	100 points
	White	50 points
	HM	No points

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

*Division Champion $40, rosette & 400 points
*Division Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

Individuals are limited to one entry per class in this division; chapters are limited to a maximum of 10 entries in this division. Landscape design drawings are to be original designs on any weight paper larger than 10 inches by 14 inches. They must include a complete key or legend identifying the materials used in the drawing, including the scale used.
Entries will be judged as follows: Scale/North Directional (10 pts), Symbols/coding (10 pts), Design Principles followed (30 pts), Plant identification (20 pts) and Visual appeal/attractiveness/neatness (10 pts), Practical application/real-world usefulness (20 pts).

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Scoring Rubrics

Landscape Plans / CAD or Hand Drawn

Category	Description	Points Possible	Points Earned
Scale/North Directional Arrow	• Accurate scale clearly indicated. • North directional arrow clearly marked and correctly oriented.	10	
Symbols/ Coding	• Symbols clearly represent landscape elements (plants, structures, etc.). • Legend provided and easy to understand.	10	
Design Principles Followed	• Clear evidence of design principles (balance, rhythm, unity, proportion, focal points, etc.). • Design demonstrates functionality and aesthetics.	30	
Plant Identification	• All plants clearly and accurately identified by common and/or scientific name. • Plant selections are appropriate for the intended site.	20	
Visual Appeal/ Attractiveness/ Neatness	• Plan is visually appealing, neat, and professional in appearance. • Clear, legible text and graphics.	10	
Practical Application/Real-World Usefulness	• Plan clearly reflects realistic and practical application suitable for real-world landscaping scenarios. • Plan includes considerations for maintenance and sustainability.	20	
		Total Points Earned	

MINIBOOTH - AGRISCIENCE RESEARCH

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DIVISION AGRISCIENCE RESEARCH MINIBOOTH

A chapter may enter a maximum of five (5) entries in this division. Individuals or teams of two are limited to one entry. **There is no designated theme for this competition.**

Information in booth must contain typed or computer generated: experiment hypothesis, purpose, materials, procedure, data, results and conclusion. Only projects where a scientific investigation has taken place must be entered.

Exhibits must fit into prebuilt display areas provided by the Fair. The display area will be a triangle 30"x30"x36", with a two-sided backdrop of 30"x 24" panels hinged together. See page 76 for design. **POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR DISPLAYS EXTENDING BEYOND THESE DIMENSIONS.** The display booths are unpainted plywood and are approximately 30" off the floor. Use of the "floor" of the minibooth to create a three-dimensional exhibit is strongly encouraged.

Display may be stapled, tacked or taped onto the wooden panels. **Do not use glue, paint or nails. NO ELECTRICITY IS AVAILABLE FOR MINIBOOTHS**.

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The exhibit tag furnished by the Georgia National Fair must be placed on the upper right-hand corner of the right partition of the exhibit booth.

Minibooths will be judged as follows: Project theme Agriscience related (10 pts), Hypothesis/purpose listed (10 pts), Materials list provided (10 pts), Methods/procedure provided (10 pts), Data provided in charts or graphs (15 pts), Results/conclusion provided (15 pts), Visual appeal and organization (10 pts), and Use of 3D display space (20 pts).

Ribbon	Value
Blue	200 points
Red	100 points
White	50 points
HM	No points

*Champion	$100, rosette &
*Reserve Champion	$50, rosette &

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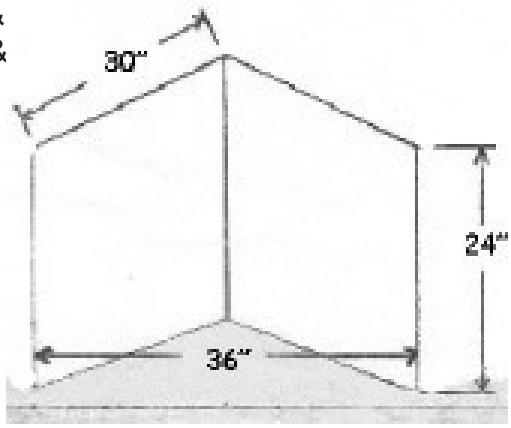
MINIBOOTH TABLETOP DESIGN



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Horticulture Exhibits

Scoring Rubrics

Agriscience Research Minibooth

Category	Description	Points Possible	Points Earned
Project theme Agriscience Related	• Project clearly relates to agriscience concepts or agricultural science practices.	10	
Hypothesis/ Purpose Listed	• The hypothesis or purpose of the research is explicitly stated and clearly understandable.	10	
Materials List Provided	• A complete, clear, and detailed list of materials used is included.	10	
Methods/Procedures Provided	• Step-by-step methods or procedures are clearly described and easy to follow.	10	
Data Provided in charts or graphs	• Data collected is effectively presented using clear, accurate charts or graphs.	15	
Results/Conclusion Provided	• Results are clearly explained and supported by the data presented. • Conclusions drawn logically follow from data presented.	15	
Visual Appeal & Organization	• Exhibit is neat, visually appealing, and logically organized. • Labels and components enhance viewer understanding.	10	
Use of 3D Display Space	• Exhibit effectively utilizes three-dimensional space, enhancing viewer engagement and understanding. • Elements demonstrate thoughtful and intentional design.	20	
		Total Points Earned	

MINIBOOTH - HORTICULTURE

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DIVISION HORTICULTURE MINIBOOTH

Individuals or teams of two are limited to one entry; chapters are limited to five entries in this division. **There is no designated theme for this competition, but the subject must be related to horticulture.**

Exhibits must fit into pre-built display areas provided by the Fair. The display area will be a triangle 30"x30"x36", with a two-sided backdrop of 30"x24" panels hinged together. **POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR DISPLAYS EXTENDING BEYOND THESE DIMENSIONS**. The display booths are unpainted plywood and are approximately 30" off the floor. **Exhibits must include: title, typed or computer generated written information, and some type of visual (e.g., pictures, models) related to the theme of the minibooth.** Use of the "floor" of the minibooth to create a three-dimensional exhibit is strongly encouraged.

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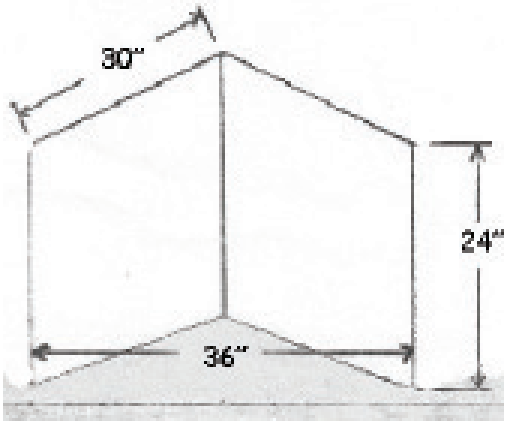
Minibooths will be judged as follows: Project relates directly to the horticulture industry (10 pts), Accuracy and relevance of horticultural content (20 pts), Practical application/real-world connection (15 pts), Student's own work/proper citations/ no plagiarism (10 pts), Visual appeal/attractiveness/neatness (10 pts), Creativity/originality/innovation design (15 pts), Use of 3D display space (20 pts.).

*Division Champion $100, rosette & 400 points
*Division Reserve Champion $50, rosette & 250 points

Ribbon	Value
Blue	200 points
Red	100 points
White	50 points
HM	No points



MINIBOOTH TABLETOP DESIGN

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Horticulture Exhibits

Scoring Rubrics

Horticulture MiniBooth

Category	Description	Points Possible	Points Earned
Project relates directly to the horticulture industry	• Clearly aligns with horticultural concepts or practices. • Theme directly relevant to industry practices. • Topics would commonly be found in a horticultural textbook, reference, or magazine	10	
Accuracy and relevance of horticultural content	• The project clearly shows a deep understanding of horticultural concepts. • The information presented is horticulturally accurate. • Information is concise and easy to understand.	20	
Practical Application/Real-World Connection	• Clearly illustrates how the horticultural topic or techniques apply to real-world scenarios. • Includes practical examples or applicable horticultural practices.	15	
Student's own work/Proper Citations/ No Plagiarism	• All content is original or clearly and properly cited. • External sources (information, images, data) are accurately acknowledged. • Exhibit shows no evidence of plagiarism.	10	
Visual Appeal/ Attractiveness/ Neatness	• Exhibit is visually appealing, neat, and logically organized. • Labels clearly identify components of the display and enhance viewer understanding.	10	
Creativity/Originality/Innovative design	• Project demonstrates fresh ideas, creative thinking, and innovative approaches. • Display includes unique features or imaginative elements not commonly seen.	15	
Use of 3D Display Space	• Exhibit effectively utilizes three-dimensional space, enhancing viewer engagement and understanding. • Elements demonstrate thoughtful and intentional design.	20	
		Total Points Earned	

PLANTS/MATERIALS

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DIVISION PLANTS/MATERIALS

CLASSES		Ribbon	Value
1	**Flowering Potted Plants**	Blue	100 points
2	**Foliage Plants**	Red	80 points
3	**Hanging Baskets**	White	50 points
4	**Other**	HM	No points

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*Division Reserve Champion $30, rosette & 300 points

*Individuals are limited to **one** entry per class in this division; chapters are limited to a maximum of **five** entries in this division. **All plants, including hanging baskets, must have a tray to catch water; if not provided, plants will not be watered**.* All plants must be in the care and ownership of the exhibitor by August 1. Plants must be free of insects, diseases and insect damage. Plants with insects and/or disease will be eliminated and discarded. Plants must be properly prepared. They must be well rooted in containers appropriate for the size of the plants. Plants must not be rootbound or potbound. Plants must be cleaned of dead foliage, flowers and stems. The exhibit will be judged on the quality of the plant, not the container. Elaborate and expensive containers will not be considered in the judging of the plants. Plants must come from the school with the school and student's name attached. Entries will be judged as follows: Overall plant health (30 pts), Form/symmetry/balance (20 pts), Leaf Quality and appearance (15 pts), Plant/container appropriate size and proportion (15 pts), Plant/container cleanliness and condition (10 pts), and Species identification and labeling (10 pts).

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Horticulture Exhibits

Scoring Rubrics

Live Plants

Flowering Potting Plants, Foliage Plants, Hanging Baskets, Other

Category	Description	Points Possible	
Overall Plant Health	• Leaves are vibrant, well-colored, and free of pests or disease symptoms. • No visible signs of nutrient deficiencies or stress. • Plant appears vigorous with appropriate growth.	30	
Form/Symmetry/Balance	• Plant shape is balanced and visually appealing from all sides. • Growth habit is uniform; plant displays symmetrical branching or leaf arrangement characteristic of its species.	20	
Leaf Quality and Appearance	• Leaves show excellent color, size, and shape typical of the species. • Leaves have minimal or no damage, such as browning, wilting, tearing, or discoloration.	15	
Plant/Container Appropriate Size and Proportion	• Plant size is appropriate for its container. • Plant is proportional, neither overcrowded nor sparse.	15	
Plant/Container Cleanliness and Condition	• Leaves and stems are clean, free from dirt, debris, water spots, or residue. • Container or pot is clean and appropriate for display without cracks or damage.	10	
Species Identification and Labeling	• Plant is accurately identified by common and/or botanical name.	10	
		Total Points Earned	

FLORAL DESIGN CONTEST

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WHEN: Tuesday, October 13
CHECK-IN: 10:30 AM
WHERE: MILLER-MURPHY-HOWARD CULINARY AREA
Contest begins: 11:00 AM
Judging will begin at 11:30 AM

DIVISION JUNIOR FLORAL DESIGN CONTEST (ON-SITE)
DIVISION SENIOR FLORAL DESIGN CONTEST (ON-SITE)

***2026 Theme:* "LIBERTY IN BLOOM"**

*Individuals are limited to **one** entry; chapters are limited to **two** entries in this division.*

CONTEST RULES:

1. In the floral design contest, a person who has been declared an FFA Winner as a result of the GNF competition the previous year may not enter the competition in the same division again. Junior winners may compete in the Senior division once they are eligible.
2. Contestants will be asked to make a floral design of their choice. It is suggested that the student have in mind exactly what design they will make and practice making the arrangement before the competition. **Students may not use pictures or photos of the arrangement they are creating.**
3. The arrangement may be of any style or design. Novelty and high style designs are encouraged. **Note: 20% of points earned by use of theme in the design.**
4. Contestants must supply all materials, tools, etc., however, nothing that includes flowers can be pre-made prior to the contest. If used, floral foam may be taped into arrangements prior to the event.
5. Fresh, silks or dried foliage and flowers, accessories, balloons, etc. may be used.
6. The contest committee will supply a table for the contestant.
7. The finished design must be one unit, just as it would be sold from a florist shop. Any accessories must be contained in or attached to the design.
8. Design must be deliverable.
9. Cost of the design, including any accessories, must be between **$25 and $50** based on current wholesale prices. **Contestants must provide an itemized cost sheet of the materials that are used in the arrangement. (All materials must be listed with cost. There can be NO FREE materials.)**
10. Any design exceeding the cost limitation will be disqualified.
11. A **thirty minute** time limit will be enforced. The entire design must be created from start to finish on site.
12. Students who arrive after the contest begins will have the remainder of the designated 30 minutes to complete their design – NO additional time will be given.

13. Floral designs will remain on display until pickup time for horticulture exhibits after the fair is over. **Students will be disqualified from this and further competitions and will not recieve prize money if projects are taken home after the event.**
14. Floral Designs will be judged as follows: Theme (20 pts.), Design (20pts), Technique & Workmanship (20pts), Balance & Color Interest, (20pts), Functionality & Suitability (10pts), and Judge's Choice (10 pts).

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th-7th	8th-10th
$75	$60	$50	$40	$30	$20

Points will be awarded based on premiums. Example $75 = 750 points, $60 = 600 points, etc.

Explanation of Floral Arrangement Terms:
Design: Design is the overall shape or form of composition, a planned relationship of the parts. The elements of design include: line (linear patterns attracting the eye to the focal point); form (three dimensional shape); texture (surface appearance of materials); color (use of tints, tones, shades of hues); the pleasing way in which lines, textures, sizes and colors are blended or contrasted; and the tying together of the parts by the combination of good design, balance and harmony.
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HORTICULTURE PLANT ID CONTESTS

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WHEN: Tuesday, October 13
CONTEST: 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
WHERE: SUTHERLAND ARENA

DIVISION JUNIOR FLORICULTURE CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)
DIVISION SENIOR FLORICULTURE CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)

DIVISION JUNIOR NURSERY LANDSCAPE CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)
DIVISION SENIOR NURSERY LANDSCAPE CONTEST (INDIVIDUAL)

1. **Check-in**
   Students will check in at Sutherland Arena, at their designated time assigned by the event coordinator. Those not participating in the contest will then be asked to wait outside the building until their assigned time.
2. **Eligibility**
   Each school may enter as many alternates as they wish**, but only 10 students will compete in Floriculture and 10 students in Nursery Landscape, for a total of up to 20 students per school.** All participants will be considered for individual awards. **Example: A single school may enter 10 floriculture students, 5 entries may be junior division, and 5 may be senior division, OR 10 juniors division only OR 10 division seniors only. Chapters must register each student through the GNFA online registration process.**
NOTE: State winning Floriculture and Nursery/Landscape teams are encouraged to participate in the plant identification contests as practice, but will not be allowed to compete for placings.
3. **Identification of Plant Material**
   Twenty-five specimens from the Georgia Floriculture/Nursery Landscape Plant Identification List will be displayed for contestants to identify.
4. **Scoring**
   Scoring for both junior and senior teams will be the same. One point will be awarded for each correct answer. The chapter score is the total of five team members designated before the contest starts.
5. **Tie Breakers**
   Senior division will use 10 samples of plants, equipment and disorders from FFA CDE list. Junior division will use 10 samples of plants/plant parts and equipment from the junior lists.

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th-7th	8th-10th
$40	$30	$20	$15	$10	$5

Points will be awarded based on premiums Example $40 = 400 points, $30 = 300 points, etc.

For premiums less than $15, refer to the premium section of the Youth Educational General Rules.

References:
GEORGIA AGRICULTURE EDUCATION CURRICULUM RESOURCE AND REFERENCE CD AND WEBSITE.

A team representing a chapter will consist of five members with top 4 scores counting towards team score. Team members must be designated before competition begins. **Junior teams will be composed of 6th - 9th grades. Senior teams will be composed of 9th - 12th grades; however a student may compete on only one team.**

Chapter Champion (Team) $100 & rosette
Chapter Reserve Champion (Team) $50 & rosette
In case of an unbroken tie, money will be split