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# CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS QUALIFICATION PLAN 2022

## EXAMPLE USED IS DAIRY CATTLE

### HISTORY

For a number of years between 50 - 35 teams advanced to the State DC contest held in the stock pavilion at UW- Madison on the last Friday in April. The teams qualified at a regional event and placed in the top 35-25% depending on the year and number of teams at the regional contests. Animals were provided/transported from UW research farms and were halter broken, cleaned, and prepared using student labor. Usually a team placed 5-6 classes, gave 2 sets for reasons, and completed a general knowledge test. All four team member scores counted. Reason takers were college students and university staff. The dairy handlers contest was held during the same time, with a separate judge and contest individuals. It cost \$35.00 per team to enter this contest.

### POSITIVES

Contest held on campus and under Supt Ted Halbach has been a very well run contest. Students were able to see the UW campus, cattle, and make connections with the Dairy Science program. Cattle were prepared, halter broke and were a decent representation of cattle seen across the state.

### CONSTRAINTS

(Date & workers): The WI Holstein Spring Show is also held on the same date (April 29th) and the student labor/reason takers/contest personnel are involved with the Spring Show. This show is held in Madison at the New Holland Building.

(Cost): The cost of this contest has increased each year and lost money during the 2019 contest.

(Quality of Contestants): During the past 10 years the quality of the top 10 teams has improved however there is a significant drop off of team scores between team #12-20 (range in 2019 was 1825 (1st place) 1138 (36th place). There was a 200 point difference between top team and 15th place team in 2019

## 2022 QUALIFICATION CHANGES

All teams placing in the top 50% at regional qualification contests would advance to the State Contest. All 16 Live CDE Contest would be included in the regional qualification contests, however NOT all regional qualification events will have all CDE's.

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The CDE's included in the 2022 qualification plan are Ag Sales, Dairy Cattle, Floriculture, Forestry, Milk Products, Nursery Landscape, Vet Science, Wildlife, Agronomy, Ag Mechanics, Horse, Poultry, Livestock, and Meats).

Teams could compete at any regional contests they choose and once in the top 50% they could continue to participate in other contests, if the regional events had space/allowed this to happen.

In early April, (April 8, 2022) top 50% teams would compete in a Preliminary Virtual Screening contest that would be  $\frac{1}{3}$  or less points of the total State Contest. The scores from this Preliminary Virtual contest would count and be part of the team score at the Live State Contest. Based upon the scores of the Preliminary Virtual contest a set number of teams would come to UW-Madison to compete live. The live contest would equal approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  (or amount to equal 100%) of the team score.

Contest areas where there is NO limit or NO qualification sites, all registered teams would complete a Preliminary Virtual contest ( $\frac{1}{3}$  or less than the total) and the scores would count as part of the UW-Madison Live State Contest.

#### POULTRY/NURSERY LANDSCAPE EXAMPLE

Since there are few (less than 3) or no qualification sites, all teams that want to participate in Live State contest, would register, complete the Preliminary Virtual contest and if team space is adequate, move on to Live contest on April 29th. If there is a limit of 15 teams, then the top 15 teams from the Preliminary Virtual contest would advance (with scores) to the Live State Contest.

#### DAIRY CATTLE EVALUATION 2019 CONTEST EXAMPLE

\*\*Approximate numbers used in example below. Actual results for all contests could not be found.\*\*

	PLATTEVILLE	RIVER FALLS	JANESVILLE	FOX VALLEY
<b>All Teams</b>	42 Teams	34 Teams	25 Teams	35 Teams
<b>Top 30%</b>	13 Teams	10 Teams	7 Teams	10 Teams
<b><u>USING SAME 2019 NUMBERS- PROJECTED 2022</u></b>				
<b>PRELIM TEAMS</b>	21 Teams	17 Teams	13 Teams	17 Teams

Projected 2022 Preliminary Teams: 68 Teams (Does not include Mid-State Contests which is a new 2022 qualification site)

68 teams would advance to the Preliminary Virtual Contest and top 20-30 teams make a LIVE contest. The goal of the CDE Committee is to have 50% or more of the team that completed in the Virtual Preliminary Contest advance to the state contest, however room capacity, covid, and other issues will impact and limit team numbers at the Live State Contest.

Income 68 teams x \$35 = \$2,380 (not sure if this will cover expenses, but we could get sponsor or budget contest)