

EASTERN REGIONAL FFA FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The event objectives are for participants to demonstrate their ability to:

1. To develop the ability to apply the economic principles and concepts in analyzing Agribusiness management decisions.
2. To develop the ability to use records and manage resources for optimum returns.
3. To develop the ability to apply economic principles and concepts of Agribusiness management to the decision-making process.
4. To work together cooperatively.

The principles and concepts listed in the format for the National FFA Farm Business Management CDE can be included in each section of the event.

EVENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each team consists of three or four members and submits results for scoring. Each team member works independently to complete the multiple-choice section. The problem-solving section is completed as a team. Each team member delivers a set of multiple-choice results for scoring. Each team delivers one set of problem solving results for scoring. A team score for the multiple-choice and problem-solving sections of the event is determined by combining the problem solving score with the individual scores of the three highest-scoring team members.
2. Calculators may be used during the event but participants may not use programmable functions on calculators.
3. Participants shall be in official FFA dress during the event.
4. Transportation to the CDE site will be discussed at the coaches meeting. We will car pool as much as possible.

EVENT FORMAT

The Big E FFA Agribusiness Management Career Development Event will consist of two sections: multiple-choice test and a problem solving, team participation activity.

Multiple Choice (100 points per team member)

The multiple-choice test section of The Big E FFA Agribusiness Management Career Development Event is designed to test a participant's understanding of economic principles taught in Agribusiness Management.

Specifically:

1. Each team member works independently to complete the multiple-choice test section.
2. One hour is allowed for completion of this section of the event.
3. This section will consist of 50 multiple-choice items. Each item is worth two points.
4. The multiple-choice test section has a total value of 100 points.
5. Individual scores on the multiple-choice section are included in calculating both the individual and team score.
6. The terms and theory covered through the multiple-choice can be found in Decisions and Dollars, National FFA Council for Agricultural Education and listed in the resources listed in the National Farm Management CDE.

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Problem Solving (500 points per team)**

The problem-solving section of The Big E FFA Farm Business Management Career Development Event is designed to test the ability to use decision-making and problem-analysis skills while applying the economic principles and concepts taught in Farm Business Management.

Specifically:

1. Team members work cooperatively to complete portions of the problem-solving section.
2. Two hours may be allowed for completion of this section of the event.
3. Any inventory and balance sheets, income and cash flow statements and other such formats will follow the samples and procedures as presented in Decisions and Dollars, National Council for Agricultural Education.
4. All topics included in the outline under the "Event Objectives" section can be included in the problem-solving section of the test.
5. The problem-solving section of the event has a total value of 500 points.

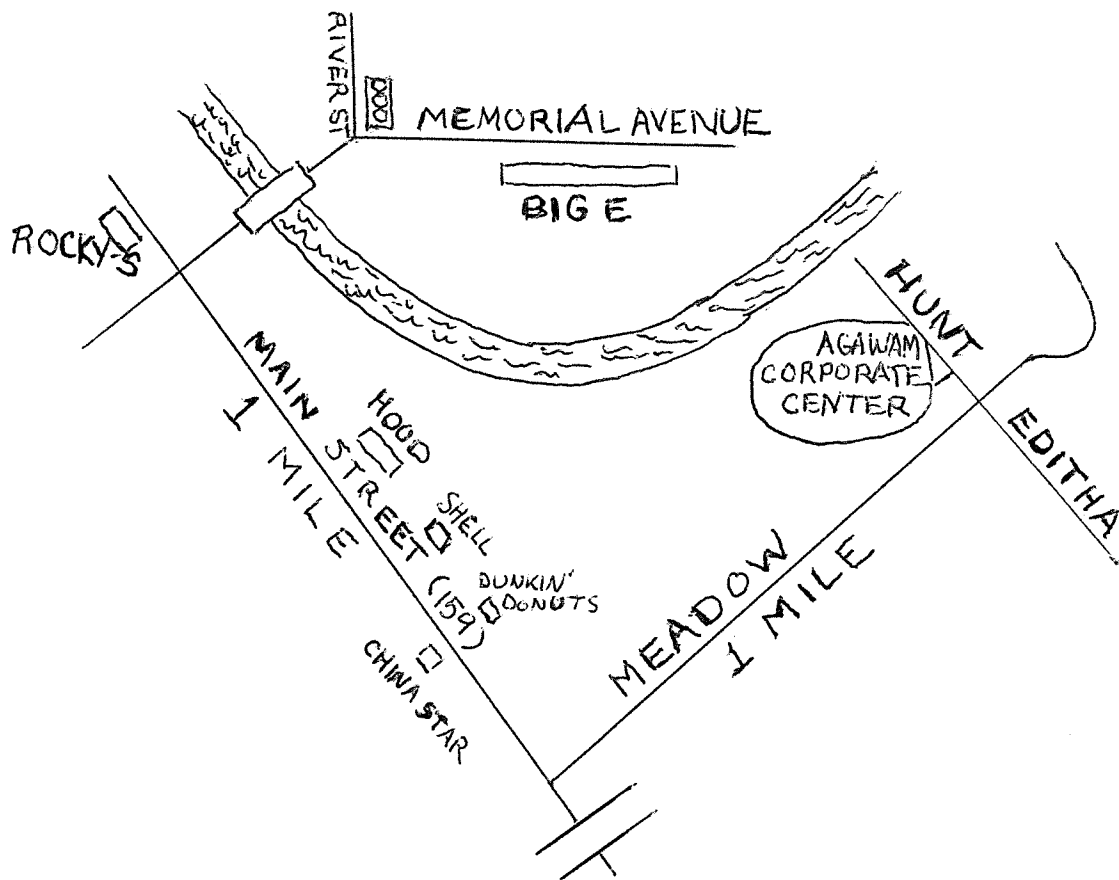
Tie Breaking

1. Judges breaking ties in team scores will use the following procedure: If team scores are identical, three items on the problem-solving section of the event will be pre-selected and ranked by the event superintendent before the event begins. The scoring chairperson will use the highest team score on the first-ranked item to break the tie. If the tie remains, the scoring chairperson will use the highest team score on the second-ranked item to break the tie. If the tie remains, the scoring chairperson uses the third-ranked item to break the tie.
2. Judges breaking ties in the overall individual scores will use the following procedure: Three items on the multiple-choice section of the event will be pre-selected and ranked by the event superintendent before the event begins. The scoring chairperson will use the highest individual score on the first-ranked item to break the tie. If the tie remains, the scoring chairperson will use the highest individual score on the second-ranked item to break the tie. If the tie remains, the scoring chairperson uses the highest individual score on the third-ranked item to break the tie.

Scoring of Farm Business Management Event

Individual Score: Multiple Choice Exam Score (Part A) - Total Possible Individual Points =	100
Team Score: Multiple Choice Exam Scores (Top three, up to 100 points each) +	
Team Practicum Score (Part B) (up to 500 points)	
Total Possible Team Points =	800

**DIRECTIONS TO AGAWAM CORPORATE CENTER
SITE OF BIG E AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT CDE
SATURDAY, LEAVE GATE AT 7:30 AM**



Take a left out of Big E Gate 1 and bear left at light, going over bridge and turn left at light at intersection with Rocky's. Go one mile and shortly before highway underpass turn left on Meadow. Go one mile and before road starts large curve turn left on Hunt. Take first left at sign into Agawam Corporate Center.

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