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**Discovering Careers…**

**Through CDE’s**

**Directions:** Use the FFA website or a FFA Student Manual to read through the descriptions of the FFA CDE’s. The CDE program was designed to expose agriculture students to a variety of agricultural careers. Match the CDE’s listed below to the careers they introduce you to. Each CDE may be used more than once.

* Ag Communications
* Ag Issues Forum
* Ag Sales
* Ag Tech & Mechanical Systems
* Agronomy
* Creed Speaking
* Dairy Cattle Evaluation
* Dairy Handlers Activity
* Environmental & Natural Resources
* Extemporaneous Public Speaking
* Farm Business Management
* Floriculture
* Food Science & Technology
* Forestry
* Horse Evaluation
* Job Interview
* Livestock Evaluation
* Marketing Plan
* Meats Evaluation & Technology
* Milk Quality & Products
* Nursery & Landscape
* Parliamentary Procedure
* Poultry Evaluation
* Prepared Public Speaking
* Veterinary Science

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the contest where you learn to identify various weeds found in fields and rangeland. Use these skills as a Weed Scientist who works to control invasive species or a Rangeland Manager.
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will give you a taste of what it’s like to be a Journalist, and write for an agricultural magazine or newspaper.
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a contest to teach you to think on your feet, prepare, and deliver a speech in 30 minutes or less. This skill can be applied to any career.
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is a contest where you can identify cuts of chicken and turkey, be a Quality Grader, and ensure the safety and quality of eggs before they are sold to grocery stores.
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ teaches FFA members the skills necessary to fit and show a dairy animal in the show ring.
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_can use your skills in tractor repair and maintenance. Would you like to work for John Deere, Case, or another farm equipment manufacturer?
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will expose you to skills necessary to be a successful Dairy Farmer who must effectively manage the growth and reproduction of dairy cows.
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This competition is especially for Greenhands to begin developing their public speaking skills, which are used in every career!
9. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can use your skills as a Web Designer to communicate with the world.
10. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the contest for you if you want to learn about being a Crop Scientist or Seed Geneticist.
11. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is the contest you should compete in if you’d like to develop skills to be an Electrician or Mechanic.
12. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will help you prepare to be a Salesman in any area of agriculture.
13. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is a contest for you if you have interest in a career in natural resources such as Soil Scientist, Water Quality Manager, Wildlife Manager, or Environmental Engineer.
14. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a contest that will help you learn about careers with the Forest Service.
15. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will prepare you for every job you will ever have… because you will first have to have an interview!
16. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a contest that will expose you to careers within the dairy industry, but off the farm such as AI technician, Breeding Sales Representative, Genetics Consultant who assist dairy farmers in improving their herds by using artificial selection in breeding.
17. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_introduces you to the basics for raising and breeding livestock such as pigs, goats, beef cattle, and sheep. If you want to be a Farmer or Rancher, this contest is for you.
18. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ introduces you to the skills needed to be an Economist, Accountant, or Business Manager of any agricultural enterprise.
19. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_introduces you to careers in the food industry such as Food Quality Control Manager, Dietician, and Food Safety Engineer.
20. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_teaches you skills in flower identification and the management of a greenhouse to grow and sell bedding plants. If you want to be a Greenhouse Manager, or even just grow a successful garden at your house, this contest is for you!
21. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a contest to learn about any career in Health Sciences. Some of what you learn can even be applied to human medicine.
22. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is a contest you should compete in if your career dreams have anything to do with horses. Horse Training & Performance, Performance Horse Breeder, or Barn Manager.
23. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a contest you should compete in if you’d like to be a Floral Designer!
24. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_teaches you about the processing of milk to dairy products such as cheese and butter. If you want to work in the Dairy Processing industry, you can start learning in this contest.
25. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will teach you skills used as a Landscape Designer or Nursery Manager.
26. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will prepare you for an entry level position as a Veterinary Assistant or Receptionist at a vet clinic.
27. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will prepare you to be a Food Scientist. You can help develop new foods and label their dietary information accurately.
28. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is another contest to develop your skills in researching a topic in agriculture, preparing a speech, and delivering it to a panel of judges. Another contest to build your public speaking skills to help you prepare for any career.
29. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will teach you skills in being a Livestock Judge at local county fairs and jackpot shows.
30. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will teach you skills in marketing a product. If you are interested in being a Marketing Director for any agricultural business or enterprise, start here!