

March 10, 2015

Dear Agriculture Educators:

It is again our pleasure to host the annual *Fred A. Chapman Murray State College FFA Interscholastic Contest* on **Tuesday, April 7**, and we cordially invite you to be in attendance. Registration will begin at the contest site(s) at 7:30 a.m. Each chapter may enter up to eight (8) individuals in all contests **except Ag. Shop and Livestock Judging**. Contestants A-D will be considered the team; and individuals E-H will compete as individuals. Contestants competing as individuals will be considered for individual awards. *The Ag. Shop contest will be limited to one (1) team composed of four (4) members. Also this year again in the Ag. Shop contest only the top ten (10) teams and the top five (5) individuals (based on the written test and tool ID results) will proceed to the welding portion of the contest. Gloves and helmets will not be provided. Livestock Judging will be divided into Jr. & Sr. Categories with only four (4) contestants allowed in each category. Jr. Livestock Judging Category participants should be sophomores or below in school. Sr. Livestock Judging will be limited to 11-12th Grades.* Please refer to the individual contest listings for more information.

For those looking for a new contest this year, we again have *the Environment and Natural Resources CDE contest*. Also of note, schools participating in the Land Judging CDE will need to turn in a **blue** card with their school, names of contestants and scores to be officially graded. Only one official blue card is needed per school. *This card must be submitted to Land Judging officials within ten (10) minutes of the completion of the contest.*

We will be giving plaques for the top 3 teams in- district and top 3 overall teams in each contest *except* Rangeland which will be overall awards only. Sweepstakes trophies will also be awarded. There is no pre-registration form. Registration will be at the individual contest sites. As always, we appreciate your assistance with grading and tabulating scorecards.

Lunch will be provided for advisors in the MSC Ballroom in the student union. We look forward to having you and your students on campus. Should you have any questions regarding procedures about the FFA Field Day, please contact us at (580) 387-7403 (Mr. Cothran); (580) 387-7401 (Mr. House); or (580) 387-7402 (Mr. Red).

Sincerely,

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