

Career Development Events (CDE's)

Do you like a CHALLENGE? Consider forming a team to compete in a Career Development Event.

Crops Dairy Dairy Foods & Meats Dairy Goats	Entomology Forestry Horse & Pony Horticulture	Livestock Poultry Soils Wildlife Habitat Evaluation
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Enhancing Success → Success in any field is enhanced by the ability to make the right decision at the right time. Opportunities offered through Indiana's 4-H/ FFA Career Development Events (identification, information, and judging contests) contribute to a young person's success in decision-making, critical thinking, and public speaking. Other benefits of the career development events are:

1. Youth learn to identify various specimens and to differentiate between similar specimens.
2. Youth learn fundamental principles about the topic they are studying.
3. In contests that include judging, students are taught to make decisions while considering many variables. Judging teaches young people to apply a range of information to make choices.
4. Career development events give youth a goal to strive for and a measurable evaluation of their progress.
5. Events that require Oral Reasons help youth learn to speak and present their ideas in a logical and convincing manner as they defend their decisions.



Contact your county Extension office for additional information, including dates and requirements for each of these events.

Note: Some CDEs require 4-H or FFA membership