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Purpose and Standards

The Floriculture Career Development Event seeks to effectively prepare students for the expectations of the agricultural floral industry. The students seeking careers in the floricultural field must not only develop a high degree of knowledge and skill, they must also use critical thinking and oral communication skills. They will be able to demonstrate quality evaluation by judging potted foliage plants, cut flowers, flowering potted plants, and floral design classes. The students will identify the many cut flowers, potted plants, and tools and materials commonly used in the floral industry. Students will also construct a corsage and floral arrangement according to the floral industry standards. California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards addressed by this event include:

Foundation Standards: 2.0 Communications – 2.4; 1.1; 2.2 a, b, c, f; 5.0 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking; 6.0 Health and Safety.

Career Pathway Standards: Agriscience Pathway C11.2; Forestry and Natural Resources Pathway E8.2; Ornamental Horticulture Pathway F1.4, F1.5, F9.0, F11.0

Contestants

Teams shall consist of three or four members. The scores of the three highest team members shall be used for the team score. All team members are eligible for individual awards. State finals contest will consist of a preliminary round and a final round. The preliminary round will be held Friday and the final round will be held the following day. To qualify for the final round, a team must be in the top 24 teams after the preliminary round. The preliminary round will consist of Flower ID, Potted Plant ID, Tool/materials ID, and one non-reasons class of judging. In the preliminary round, in the case of a tie, the judging class will be used as the tie breaker. The top 24 teams will be posted at the conclusion of the preliminary round tabulations. Preliminary round scores will be added to the final round scores on Saturday.

Classes

The contest will be scored on 900 points per individual/2700 points per team. Individually the contest will be scored as follows:

Class	Individual Points	Team Points
1 class of potted foliage plants	50	150
3 classes of cut flowers	150	450
1 class of flowering potted plants	50	150
1 class of floral design	50	150
2 classes of reasons	100	300
Flower identification	100	300
Potted plant identification	100	300
Tool/materials identification	100	300
Flower arrangement construction	100	300
Corsage construction	100	300
TOTAL	900	2700

Tie Breaker

- 1. The team or individual scoring the highest reason score(s) will be with winner.
- 2. If a tie still exists, the total score of the individual or team will be used to determine the high individual or team.

Sub-contest Awards

Sub-contest awards will be given for high teams and individuals in the following areas: Judging, Reasons, Tool/Materials ID, Construction. (Reasons are not included in judging sub-contest score.)

Rules

- I. Eleven classes will be judged. They will be labeled A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K.
- II. These shall consist of: Three classes of commercially marketable cut flowers; one class of flowering potted plants; one class of potted foliage plants; one class of floral design from one of the five basic design styles; asymmetrical, symmetrical, L-shaped, horizontal, vertical; one section of flower identification; one section of potted plant identification; one section of tool identification; a corsage construction class and a flower arrangement construction class.
- III. Reasons will be given on TWO of the six classes judged.
- IV. Reasons will be scored from 0 to 50 points based on the following criteria:

1. Subject matter	60%
2. Logic and force	30%
3. Bearing and address	10%

- V. Ten minutes will be allowed for judging each reasons class and five minutes for each non-reasons judging class. Two minutes per contestant will be allowed for presentation of oral reasons.
 - A. Class of cut flowers: four vases of six flowers each. Flowers will be displayed so that the condition of the flowers does not change throughout the contest. Choose cut flower classes from the following list only.

CARNATIONS; STANDARD OR SPRAY CHRYSANTHEMUMS; SNAPDRAGONS; STOCK; GLADIOLUS; and ROSES.

B. Class of flowering potted plants: four specimens. Choose flowering potted plants from the following list only.

CHRYSANTHEMUM; GLOXINIA; CINERARIA; AFRICAN VIOLET; AZALEA, LILY and HYDRANGEA.

C. Class of potted foliage plants: four specimens. Choose potted foliage plants from the following list only.

DEVIL'S IVY (POTHOS); PEPEROMIA; RUBBER PLANT; DIEFFENBACHIA; BOSTON FERN; and PARLOR PALM.

- VI. Contestants are only allowed to bring the following items to the contest with them:
 - A. Florist's Knife
 - B. Florist's Shears
 - C. Florist's Scissors
 - D. Wire Cutters
- VII. Identification Students will be allowed 15 minutes in each of the three identification sections.

- VIII. Construction Students will be allowed 30 minutes to construct their corsage and 30 minutes to construct their arrangement.
- IX. Judging/Construction Terms Which May Need Explanation
 - A. Cultural Perfection the physical appearance of the plant clearly indicates the skill of the grower.
 - B. Pot to Plant Relationship plant should be in proportion to the size of the pot. Rule of thumb, plant should be 1 1/2 times that of the pot.
 - C. Balance A visual stability created by the placement of weight and attraction in the arrangement. A physical balance of the completed arrangement.
 - D. Color Harmony Colors used which work well together and reinforce the overall design.
 - E. Depth Placing flowers further back from the central vertical axis to create a change of plane.
 - F. Focal Point Created by the placement of one or more mass flowers at the middle of the design, on the rim of the container.
 - G. Form Designing an arrangement of the proposed form (i.e., symmetrical triangle)
 - H. Proportion The size relationship of the overall
 - I. Radiation Stems should originate (radiate) from the central vertical axis.
 - J. Rhythm How the viewer's eye flows through the arrangement as a response to the flow of material and color.
 - K. Scale Size relationship of the individual component parts.
 - L. Spacing The flowers at the focal point are the closest together and as you move away from the focal point, the flowers are progressively spaced farther and farther apart.
 - M. Texture The reaction top the surface of the material; rough, smooth, glossy, dull.
- X. <u>Identification:</u> Twenty-five cut items will be selected from the following list and will be scored at four points per correct answer. Total of 100 points possible.

Α	Achillea filipendulina	Yarrow
В	Agapanthus africanus	Agapanthus
С	Alpinia purpurata	Ginger
D	Alstroemeria aurantiaca	Alstroemeria
Е	Amaranthus	Amaranthus
AB	Ammi majus	Queen Ann's Lace
AC	Anemone coronaria	Anemone
AD	Anthericum saundersiae	Lily Grass
AE	Anthirrhinum majus	Snapdragon
BC	Anthurium andraeanum	Anthurium
BD	Asparagus asparagoides	Smilax
BE	Asparagus plumosus	Plumosus Fern
CD	Asparagus retrofractus	Ming Fern
CE	Asparagus setaceous	Tree Fern
DE	Asparagus sprengerii	Sprengeri Fern
ABC	Aster ericoides 'Monte Casino'	Monte Casino Aster
ABD	Banksia sp.	Banksia
ABE	Buxus sp.	Boxwood
ACD	Callistephus chinensis	China Aster

ACE	Camellia japonica	Camellia
ADE	Centaurea cyanus	Bachelors Button
BCD	Chamaedorea sp.	Comedor
BCE	Chamelaucium species	Waxflower
BDE	Cordyline terminalis	Ti Leaves
CDE	Cosmos spp.	Cosmos
ABCD	Cymbidium cv.	Cymbidium Orchid
ABCE	•	·
ABDE	Cyperus papyrus Dahlia hybrids	Papyrus Foliage Dahilia
ACDE	•	
	Delphinium ajacis	Larkspur
BCDE	Delphinium elatum Dendranthema morifolium	Delphinium
ABCDE		Spray of Pompon Chrysanthemum
A	Dendranthema morifolium Dendrobium cv.	Standard Chrysanthemum Dendrobium Orchid
В		
С	Dianthus barbatus	Sweet William
D	Dianthus caryophyllus	Spray Carnation
E	Dianthys caryophyllus	Standard Carnation
AB	Equisetum hyemale	Horsetail Heather
AC	Erica carnea	
AD	Eucalyptus polyanthemos	Silver Dollar Eucalyptus
AE	Eucalyptus pulverulenta	Spiral Eucalyptus
BC	Eustoma grandiflora	Lisianthus
BD	Forsythia spp.	Forsythia
BE	Freesia refracta	Freesia
CD	Galax urceolata	Galax Leaf
DE	Gardenia jasminoides	Gardenia
ABC	Gaultheria shallon	Lemon Leaf
ABD	Genista sp.	Scotch Broom
ABE	Gerbera jamesonii	Gerbera
ACD	Gladiolus hybrida	Gladiolus
ACE	Gypsophila	Baby's Breath
ADE	Helianthus annuus	Sun Flower
BCD	Heliconia species	Heliconia
BCE	Iris xyphium	Dutch Iris
BDE	Lathyrus odoratus	Sweet Pea
CDE	Leptospermum scoparium	Leptospermum
ABCD	Leucadendron spp.	Leucadendron
ABCE	Leucospermum sp.	Pincushion Protea
ACDE	Liatris calliepis	Liatris
ABDE	Lilium sp.	Asiatic Lily
BCDE	Lilium sp.	Oriental Lily
ABCDE	Limonium hybrids	'Misty Series' Statice
Α	Limonium perezii	Sea Lavender Statice

В	Limonium sinuatum	Annual Statice
С	Lysimachia clethroides	Lysimachia
D	Magnolia grandiflora	Magnolia foliage
Е	Mathiola incana	Stock
AB	Molluccella laevis	Bells of Ireland
AC	Myrtus communis	Tall Myrtle
AD	Narcissus pseudo-narcissus	Daffodil
AE	Nerine hybrids	Nerine Lily
ВС	Oncidium spp.	Oncidium Orchid
BD	Ornithogalum thyrsoides	Star of Bethlehem
BE	Phalaeonopsis cv.	Phalaeonopsis
CD	Phormium tenax cv.	New Zealand Flax
CE	Pittosporum tobria	Pittosporum
DE	Polianthes tuberose	Tuberose
ABC	Protea sp.	Protea
ABD	Pteris sp.	Brake Fern
ABE	Ranunculus asiaticus	Ranunculus
ACD	Rhaminus californica	Coffeeberry (hypericum berry)
ACE	Rosa hybrida	Rose
ADE	Rumohra adiantiformis	Leatherleaf Fern
BCD	Ruscus aculeatus	Italian Ruscus
BCE	Ruscus sp. (hypoglossum or hypophyllum)	Israeli Ruscus
BDE	Salix discolor	Pussywillow
CDE	Salix matsudana 'Tortuosa'	Curly Willow
ABCD	Scabiosa spp.	Scabiosa Flower
ABCE	Solidago	Solidago (solid aster)
ABDE	Stephanotis floribunda	Stephanotis
ACDE	Strelitzia reginae	Bird of Paradise
BCDE	Syringa vulgaris	Lilac
ABCDE	Tulipa cv.	Tulip
Α	Typha spp.	Cattails
В	Veronica cultivar	Veronica
С	Xerophyllum tenax	Bear Grass
D	Zantedeschia aethiopica	Calla Lily

XI. POTTED PLANT IDENTIFICATION

From the following plants, 25 will be selected for the purpose of plant identification. Scoring will be the same as for flower and foliage identification.

Α	Aechmea fasciata	Bromeliad

B Aglaonema modestum Chinese Evergreen

C Anthurium species Anthurium

D	Anhalandra cauarraca	Zebra Plant
E	Aphelandra squarrosa	Norfolk Island Pine
AB	Araucaria heterophylla	Cast Iron Plant
AC	Aspidistra elatior Asplenium nidus	Birdsnest Fern
AD	Begonia sp.	Rieger Begonia
AE	Brassaia (Schefflera) actinophylla	Umbrella Tree
BC	Caladium bicolor	Caladium
BD	Calathea species	Calathea
BE	Chamaedorea elegans	Parlor Palm
CD	Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant
CE	Cissus rhombifolia	Grape Ivy
DE	Codaeum variegatum	Croton
ABC	Coleus blumei	Coleus
ABD	Crassula argentea	Jade Plant
ABE	Cyclamen persicum	Cyclamen
ACD	Dieffenbachia sp.	Dumb Cane
ACE	Dizygotheca elegantissima	False Aralia
ADE	Dracaena fragrans	Corn Plant
BCD	Dracaena marginata	Red Edge Dracaena
BCE	Euphorbia pulcherrima	Poinsettia
BDE	Euphorbia splendens	Crown of Thorns
CDE	Exacum affine	Persian Violet
ABCD	Fatsia japonica	Japanese Aralia
ABCE	Ficus benjamina	Weeping Chinese Fig
ABDE	Ficus elastica 'Decora'	Rubber Tree
BCDE	Fittonia verschaffeltii argyroneura	
	E Fuchsia hybrida	Fuchsia
A	Gibasis geniculata	Bridal Veil
В	Gynura aurantiaca	Velvet Plant
C	Hedera helix	English Ivy
D	Hippeastrum vittatum	Amaryllis
E	Hoya carnosa	Wax Plant
AB	Hyacinthus orientalis	Hyacinth
AC	Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea
AD	Hypoestes sanguinolenta	Polka-Dot Plant
AE	Impatiens sultanii	Impatiens
BC	Kalanchoe blossfeldiana	Kalanchoe
BD	Lilium longiflorum	Easter Lilly
BE	Maranta leuconeura	Prayer Plant
CD	Monstera deliciosa	Split-Leaf Philodendron
CE	Narcissus sp.	Paperwhites
DE	Nephrolepis exalta 'Bostoniensis'	Boston Fern
ABC	Pelargonium hortorum	Geranium
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ABD	Pelargonium peltatum	Ivy Geranium
ABE	Peperomia caperata	Emerald Ripple Peperomia
ACD	Peperomia obstusifolia	Wax Leaf Peperomia
ACE	Peperomia obstusifolia 'Variegata'	Variegated Peperomia
ADE	Philodendron oxycardium	Heartleaf Philodendron
BCD	Pilea cadierei	Aluminum Plant
BCE	Plectranthus australis	Swedish Ivy
BDE	Rhaphidophora aureus	Golden Pothos
CDE	Rhododendron indica	Azalea
ABCD	Saintpaulia ionantha	African Violet
ABCE	Sansevieria trifasciata	Snake Plant
ABDE	Sansevieria trifasciata 'Hahnii'	Birdsnest Snake Plant
BCDE	Schlumbergera bridgesii	Christmas Cactus
ABCDE	Senecio cruentus	Cineraria
Α	Sinningia speciosa	Gloxinia
В	Spathiphyllum spp.	Peace Lily
С	Syngonium podophylum	Arrowhead Plant
D	Tolmiea menziesii	Piggy-back Plant
E	Tradescantia, Zebrina species	Wandering Jew

XII. TOOL AND MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

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А	Aqua	PICS

B Bouquet Holders

C Boutonniere Pin

D Bud Vase

E Care Tag

AB Cardette

AC Casket Saddle

AD Chenille Stem

AE Clear Vinyl Liner

BC Compote

BD Corsage Bag

BE Corsage Pin

CD Crushed Styrofoam

CE Curling Ribbon

DE Enclosure Card

ABC Excelsion

ABD Fabric Scissors

ABE Floral Foam

ACD Floratape

ADE Florist Easel

BCD Florist Knife

BCE Florist Shears/Snips

BDE Foam Cage

CDE Glass Gems

ABCD Glass Marbles

ABCE Glue Gun

ACDE Glue Sticks

BCDE Grapevine Wreath or Garland

ABCDE Green Enameled Florist Wire #18

A Green Enameled Florist Wire #24

B Green Enameled Florist Wire #30

C Greening Pins (Fern Pins)

D Hot Glue Pan

E Kenzon (Pin Holder)

AB Latex Balloon

AC Metal Pick

AD Metallic Foil

AE Mylar Balloon

BC Net

BD Orchid Tube

BE Paddle Wire

CD Pan Glue

CE Paper Mache Liner

DE Pearl Spray/Loop

ABC Poly Foil

ABD Pot Cover

ABE Preserved/Dry Oak Leaves

ACD Preserved/Dry Wheat

ACE Raffia

ADE Ribbon #1 1/2

BCD Ribbon #3

BDE Ribbon #5

CDE Ribbon #9

ABCD Ribbon #16

ABCE Ribbon #40

BCDE Rose Stripper

ABCDE Rose Vase

A Shredded Wax Paper

B Single Design Bowl

C Spanish Moss

D Sphagnum Moss

E Square Picks

AB Stephanotis Stems

AC Steel Pick Machine

AD Stickum

AE Styrofoam

BC Tulle

BD Waterproof Tape

BE Wire Cutters

CD Wired Wooden Pick

CE Wristlet

XIII. SCORE CARDS

MARKE	TABLE CUT FLOWER JUDGING SCORE CARD	VALUE
1. Cond	dition	25%
a.	uniformity	
b.	freedom from bruise and blemish	
c.	substance	
2. Form	1	20%
a.	uniformity	
b.	maturity	
c.	correct shape	
d.	regular petalage	
3. Stem	n and Foliage	20%
a.	uniformity	
b.	strength and straightness	
c.	foliage quality	
d.	size and proportion	
4. Size		15%
a.	uniformity	
b.	deduct points in relation to development	
	and condition of oversize or undersize	
5. Colo	r	20%
a.	uniformity	
b.	intensity	

VALUE
30%
20%
20%
10%
10%
10%

POTTE	D FOLIAGE PLANT SCORE CARD	VALUE
1. Cultu	ural Perfection	30%
a.	form	
b.	symmetry of form	
C.	plant in good condition not spindling	
2. Heal	th	20%
a.	fungus or bacterial disease	
b.	insect pests	
c.	physiological disease	
d.	mechanical injury	
e.	sunburn	
3. Size	of plant	20%
a.	proper pot to plant relationship	
4. Folia	ge	30%
a.	characteristic for variety	
b.	color	
c.	freedom from damage	
d.	sufficient to cover the plant	

FLORAL DESIGN SCORE CARD VALUE		
1. Design		50%
a.	spacing	
b.	balance	
c.	proportion	
d.	scale	
2. Color		20%
a.	harmonious	
b.	placement	
3. Condition of materials		10%
a.	materials of good quality	
b.	appropriate for style	
4. Texture		10%
a.	appropriate for style	
5. Finishing Detail		10%

XIV. CORSAGE CONSTRUCTION

- A. A 30 minute time limit will be allowed after all contestants have chosen supplies and found work space. Five, not to exceed seven, miniature carnations will be provided for each student and each will be free to choose from an assortment of foliage and necessary materials made available by the contest chairperson.
- B. Judging of the corsages will be done anonymously with neither the contestant nor coaches being present. Contestants must provide their own tools for creating their corsages; i.e. shears, scissors, knives.
- C. Feathering of carnations is permitted, but not required. Carnations may be used intact as single flowers.
- D. A corsage is a floral accessory worn to compliment a woman's clothing. It should be comfortable and attractive. The corsage constructed by each contestant will be judged on the following basis:

CORSAGE CONSTRUCTION CRITERIA FOR JUDGING	POINTS
A. Design	40 Points
1. Spacing	
2. Scale and Proportion	
3. Texture and Color (Choice of Material)	
B. Construction	40 Points
1. Taping and Joining points	
2. Wiring	
C. Wearability	20 Points
1. Light and Airy	
2. Shape and Body	
TOTAL	100 Points

Suggested range of points:

90-100	Excellent corsage, appealing, good design, flawless finishing, few or minimal errors.
80-89	Good corsage, commercially and artistically acceptable, but having some areas of difficulty.
60-79	Reasonable construction, some skill evident, but seriously flawed.
59-below	Not wearable by reason of design or construction.

XV. ARRANGEMENT CONSTRUCTION

- A. A flower arrangement will be constructed by each team member. Each student will construct a one-sided vertical line foam design OR a loose placement vase arrangement. Appropriate lines, mass, filler flowers, and foliage will be provided. The maximum number of flowers used by each student will be as follows:
- B. For Vertical Line Foam Arrangement:
 - 1. Flower and foliage selection.
 - a. 12 stems of flowers; mass, form or line counted prior to design
 - b. Contestants may use 12 stems or less (without penalty)
 - c. Contestants will have access to free choice filler and foliage.
 - 2. The students can make as many insertions as they would like with the 12 stems of flowers they selected.
 - 3. The arrangements will be judged based on western line design.
- C. For Loose Placement Vase Arrangement:
 - 1. Flower and foliage selection.
 - a. 12 mass flowers
 - b. free choice filler
 - c. free choice foliage
 - 2. The vase arrangement may either be a dozen of the same mass flowers or a mixture of mass flowers, contestant choice.
 - 3. Flowers will be placed in a vase without the aid of mechanics (no tape, wire, ties, etc.). Arrangements should be able to be viewed from all directions. Flowers should be secure for delivery without undue caution taken to prevent flower shifting. (Wire may be used for strengthening of a flower stem but not to bind materials together.)
- D. A 30 minute time limit will be allowed after all contestants have chosen supplies and found workspace (10 minutes). Contestants must provide their own tools for creating their arrangement. No outside materials may be used.
- E. Wire will be provided to the students for the arrangement classes for broken and damaged flowers only. Wire is not to be used for binding.

F. The arrangement will be judged anonymously. The following will be used to evaluate each arrangement:

VERTICAL LINE FOAM ARRANGEMENT CONSTRUCTION CRITERIA FOR JUDGING				
A. ELEMENTS OF DESIGN (45 points)				
1. Pattern (20 points)				
a. Spacing	10 points			
b. Form (Vertical Line)	5 points			
c. Focal Point	5 points			
2. Color (of an acceptable harmony)	10 points			
3. Line (10 points)				
a. Vertical Placement	5 points			
b. Radiation	5 points			
4. Texture	5 points			
B. PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN (45 points)				
1. Balance (15 points)				
a. Visual	10 points			
b. Physical	5 points			
2. Proportion	10 points			
3. Scale	10 points			
4. Rhythm	5 points			
5. Depth	5 points			
C. MECHANICS (10 points)				
1. Finishing detail	5 points			
2. Secure and deliverable	5 points			
TOTAL	100 points			

LOOSE PLACEMENT VASE ARRANGEMENT CONSTRUCTION CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

A. Overall composition	10 points
B. Creativity	10 points
C. Scale (proportion)	10 points
D. Unity (harmony)	10 points
E. Balance (physical & visual)	10 points
F. Focal Emphasis	10 points
G. Line (movement & rhythm)	10 points
H. Depth	10 points
I. Color (balance, harmony, & rhythm)	10 points
J. Mechanics (professional application)	10 points
TOTAL	100 points