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## National Chapter Award Application

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The National Chapter Award is designed to recognize FFA chapters that actively provide educational experiences that focus on growing leaders, building communities, and strengthening agriculture.



### **Eligibility**

- The chapter must be in good standing with the New Jersey State FFA Association at the time of application.
- Applications can only include activities that have occurred between April 1 of the previous school year and March 31 of the current school year.
- The chapter must fill out Form I and meet a minimum of 51 points in the National Quality Chapter Standards checklist to complete Form II.

### **Overview**

- Only applications generated in AET will be accepted.
- The application must be submitted through AET (Submission List) by April 1st or date listed in the current Calendar of Events. Late applications will NOT be accepted.
- The National Chapter Award program application is designed to collect information about one activity, not an event, related to each of the quality standards.
- An activity is a single, specific action or task undertaken as part of a larger program or goal. An activity is often smaller in scale and focused on a particular objective. In contrast, an event is a broader, organized gathering or occasion involving multiple activities or efforts aimed at achieving a significant goal or impact. Events are typically, larger in scope and may involve multiple stakeholders. Events are often the culmination of planning and several activities.
- Original content is required. A new application must be completed each year. Applications may include the same activity from a previous year, but goals, plans of action, results and evaluation must differ.
- A National Chapter application must result from the student(s) effort and ability.

## The Application

#### **Awards**

- Superior Chapter Certificate
- Gold, Silver or Bronze Spur
- Multi-Year Plaque (if first time receiving this award or have run out of space to place the spur)
- Plaque (1<sup>st</sup> place only)
- Monetary Award: \$200 (1<sup>st</sup>). \$150 (2<sup>nd</sup>), \$100 (3<sup>rd</sup>)

### Additional Information

- List and describe three major activities conducted for each division - Growing Leaders, Building Communities, and Strengthening Agriculture.
- These activities should be activities listed in Form I. The chapter can use an activity once in Form II.
- The chapter must describe the goals, plan of action and results/evaluation for each activity.
- Grow Beyond Recognition will be a designation given to chapters that submit National Chapter Form II in the current application year but only submitted Form I in the previous application year. Chapters with this designation will receive a Grow Beyond sticker on their Superior Chapter certificate. Chapters can receive this designation more than once.

#### Resources

- Scoring Rubrics
- <u>Handbook</u>
- Program of Activities Resources
- Resources & Recognition Guides