New Jersey FFA Alumni Association

FFA Quiz Bowl
(to be held at the State FFA Convention)

Objectives
To better acquaint agricultural education students to the FFA organization and its associated programs.

Rules and Regulations

Eligibility: This event is open to middle school and high school FFA members may.

Teams Allowed: Four members will make up a team in the quiz bowl competition.
A school will be allowed to have one team entered for the event.

Bracketing: Teams will be randomly chosen to fill bracket positions.

There are two bracket systems – A and B – that will compete at the same time, in separate rooms. The winners of each bracket system will face off in the final round. Schools with two teams will have a team in each bracket. The number of teams in each bracket system will be determined by the number of overall teams in the event.

What happens if there are three teams competing in the quiz bowl?
- Draw for positions
- Team 1 would compete against Team 2 – Team 2 wins
- Team 2 would compete against Team 3
- If Team 2 wins against Team 3, Team 2 would be the Overall winner and you would have Team 1 compete against Team 3 to determine 2nd place
- If Team 3 wins, Team 3 would be the Overall Winner because they beat the team (Team 2) that beat the other team (team 1). Team 2 would be second place since they beat Team 1 earlier.

What happens if there are 5, 6, or 7 teams?
- Set up a bracket and draw for positions. Keep in mind that if you bracket over 4 teams, you will need 8 brackets, if you only have 5 teams, you will then have to put 3 byes into a hat for drawing position. If you have two teams from the same school you can position them to compete against another school in the first round.

![Bracket System A](This shows a sample of Bracket System A. Bracket System B will be similar, except it will include teams 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, etc.)
**Procedure:** The contest will consist of one 10-minute round for each bracket of competition

**Round 1:** This round will last for 10 minutes. The number of questions asked during the round will vary based on the quickness of the questions being answered. Team members can confer with each other. If a team fails to answer the question correctly, the question will then be asked to the next team PLUS the next team will then be asked their corresponding question. The question will be read one time to the receiving team. Once the question is read, the team has 10 seconds to answer. When time is called, the question is over and the other team has the opportunity to steal. The question can be reread for the stealing team, however, they have only 10 seconds to answer once the other team fails to answer or gives a wrong answer. Each question will be worth 1 point each. The team will designate a spokesperson prior to the competition. This will be the individual the judges will accept answers.

**Tie Breaker:** A tie will be broken by sudden death. Sudden death – Team 1 will answer their question. If they fail to answer it, the question goes to Team 2. If they answer it successfully, they will be named the winner. If incorrectly answered, the round will begin again with Team A and a new question will be asked. (NOTE: If Team 1 answers their question correctly the first time, Team 2 should still be asked the next question. If they incorrectly answer their question, Team 1 wins.) The question will be read one time only for the receiving team. Each team gets 10 seconds to answer their question. Once time is called at the end of 10 seconds, no answer can be given and the other team has an opportunity to steal.

Clarification on Answering: If the answer is a proper name; for example, “Leslie Applegate” and the student answers “Applegate” or “Mr. Applegate,” that student is correct. However, if the student would respond “Larry Applegate,” they would be incorrect.

**Questions:** All questions will be FFA related questions. Questions will cover the entire scope of the FFA organization including history, dates, people, programs, activities and current events of the organization.

FFA questions come from the following sources:
- Official FFA Manual
- FFA Student Handbook
- National FFA Website: [wwwffa.org](http://wwwffa.org)
- New Jersey FFA Website: [www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov](http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov)
- Career Development Events Handbook (2012-2016)
- American FFA Degree Handbook (2012-2016)
- Agricultural Proficiency Awards Handbook (2012-2016)
- Chapter Planning and Recognition Handbook (2012-2016)
- FFA New Horizons Magazines (of current year)