

Parliamentary Procedure – Career Development Event Sponsored by: Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation



Purpose: To encourage students to learn to effectively participate in a business meeting and to assist in the development of their leadership skills.

Background: While relatively new as an official National FFA Career Development Event, the teaching of parliamentary procedure has been an important component of the leadership training received by FFA members since the beginning of the organization. Many Tennessee leaders will give credit to the FFA as the means by which they learned their parliamentary, public speaking, and leadership skills.

FFA members who participate in the Parliamentary Procedure CDE will develop the ability to:

- Use parliamentary procedure to conduct an orderly and efficient meeting.
- Demonstrate knowledge of parliamentary law.
- Present a logical, realistic, and convincing debate on motions.
- Record complete and accurate minutes.

This CDE is currently held on the local, district, regional, state and national levels and consists of teams of six FFA members. Chapters advance by winning at each level. The top two teams from each region compete for the state title at the State FFA Convention. The state winner will represent Tennessee at the National FFA Convention in October. Agriculture Education instructors from non-competing schools judge the events from the local to the state competition.

Visibility: The sponsor of this award will be recognized in the following ways:

- Immediate press release recognizing the new partnership.
- Statewide recognition at the state FFA convention in front of 2,500 FFA members.
- Statewide media recognition through press releases in agricultural publications.
- Name of sponsor on plaques received by FFA members.

Budget: The annual cost of this three-year commitment is \$1500.00. This amount of support each year will provide the award plaques with sponsor's name on each of three regional levels, communication on the statewide level, lodging and food for the state CDE, and travel expenses for the winning team to the National FFA Convention.

Expected Results: This partnership will generate added interest and excitement in this award area. Through this increased interest more students will focus their skill development in the area of parliamentary procedure. FFA members will receive a competitive edge in developing skills needed in leadership roles for a lifetime.