

CONTEST & PROGRAM REVIEW PROCESS



1 SHARE FEEDBACK

Agricultural educators, contest chairs, and industry professionals are encouraged to share feedback and suggestions throughout the year to help strengthen Michigan FFA contests and programs. **If you have suggestions to improve a contest or program, contact the Michigan FFA State Staff.**

Feedback received outside of a contest or program's scheduled review year will be documented and considered during its next formal review. Errors or clarifications needed within contest materials may be addressed outside of the formal review cycle.

6 IMPLEMENTATION

Unless otherwise stated, approved changes become effective for contests conducted during that same school year.

5 FALL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Approved changes are highlighted during the Fall Professional Development Institute, where agricultural educators learn about finalized updates and access the latest contest and program materials.

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ANNUAL SUMMER REVIEW

Each summer, Michigan FFA conducts its annual Contest & Program Review. All agricultural educators are welcome and encouraged to participate alongside contest chairs, industry professionals, and Michigan FFA staff.

Participants may attend the review meeting in person, participate virtually, or submit feedback in advance if they are unable to attend.

Together, they evaluate designated contests and programs to ensure materials remain educationally relevant, technically accurate, and aligned with current industry standards and National FFA guidelines, where applicable.

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BOARD REVIEW

Proposed recommendations are shared with agricultural educators prior to the September Michigan FFA Board of Directors meeting. Teachers are encouraged to discuss recommendations with their Regional Board Representative prior to the meeting.

The Michigan FFA Board of Directors reviews, discusses, and acts on the proposed recommendations during its September meeting.

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FINAL UPDATES

Following Board approval, Michigan FFA staff update contest materials, scorecards, handbooks, website resources, and supporting documents.

Updated materials are posted online as they become available.



FIVE-YEAR REVIEW SCHEDULE

Every contest and major program is reviewed on a rotating five-year cycle. They cycle will reset in 2032-2033.

2026 - 2027

CONTEST REVIEW

AFNR Education
Farm Business Management
Job Interview
Land Conservation
Meats Evaluation
Parliamentary Procedure
Tractor Driving
Veterinary Science

PROGRAM REVIEW

Stars/Gold/Silver State Degrees

2027 - 2028

CONTEST REVIEW

Agricultural Mechanics
Agronomy
Environmental Skills
Food Science
Greenhouse Crop Management
Horse Evaluation
Milk Quality and Products

PROGRAM REVIEW

National Chapter

2028 - 2029

CONTEST REVIEW

Agricultural Communications
Agricultural Issues
Broiler Contest
Greenhand Public Speaking
Jr. High Public Speaking
Livestock Evaluation
Prepared Public Speaking
Quiz Bowl

PROGRAM REVIEW

Regional Program Alignment

2029 - 2030

CONTEST REVIEW

Agricultural Sales
Creed Speaking
Dairy Cattle Judging
Dairy Cattle Showmanship
Demonstration
Market Rabbit Contest
Poultry Evaluation

PROGRAM REVIEW

State Officer Process

2030 - 2031

CONTEST REVIEW

Agriscience Fair
Extemporaneous Speaking
Floriculture
Forestry
Job Interview
Land Conservation
Marketing
Nursery and Landscape

PROGRAM REVIEW

SAE (Proficiency) Awards

2031 - 2032

CONTEST REVIEW

AFNR Education
Farm Business Management
Greenhand Conduct of Meetings
Jr. High Conduct of Meetings
Meats Judging
Parliamentary Procedure
Tractor Driving
Veterinary Science

PROGRAM REVIEW

Stars/Gold/Silver State Degrees