



Forestry Field Day Competition

Objectives:

- To develop abilities and attributes for better citizens and leaders of tomorrow.
- To acquire knowledge of trees and forests.
- To develop skills in forestry related activities.
- To gain a better understanding of and appreciation for our forest resources and how they contribute to our economy and quality of life

Competition Guidelines:

- Participate in a Forestry Field Day county training.
- Select county winners on basis of tree identification, insect and disease identification, compass and pacing, and volume estimation.
- A county may bring a maximum of twenty Juniors (Cloverleaf and Junior participants) and twenty Seniors to the area contest. The total score of the high three members will constitute the team score. Counties wishing to have three separate teams must designate them before the contest. Contestants from a county with less than three entries may participate as **individuals**.
- The State Forestry Field Day Contest is open to Senior 4-H members only. A county may enter a maximum of 20 participants. State competition is an open contest and teams do not have to qualify at an area event.
- Teams for the purpose of awards are the top 4 participants in the age division with the top three scores counting.
- Ties in individual completion will be broken based on saw timber volume estimation, followed by tree identification then insect and disease identification and compass and pacing.
- Ties in team completion will be broken site evaluation (state contest only) then by the aggregate score of the top three team members in saw timber volume estimation, then the team with by the team member with the high score in saw timber. If a tie remains, tree identification, insect and disease identification and compass and pacing scores will be used.

Awards & Recognition:

- Each participant will receive an award card and a judging pin.
- **District** winning team and the 2nd place team will receive a certificate
- The high individual at the district contest will also receive a certificate
- **State Winning senior team** will receive a plaque and will participate in the National 4-H Forestry Invitational or a forestry educational tour. Some expenses will be covered for the national trip.
- Additionally, the state winning team and the high senior individual in the state contest will be eligible for Master 4-H'er status and participate in the recognition of Special Events Winners at State 4-H Congress. The banquet meal and lodging expenses will be paid for the team and coach; however, travel costs are not covered.