

**Area Coordinator Meeting**  
**Friday, July 24, 2020**  
**11:00am – 1:00pm**

**Advisory Committee Meetings**

**CDE Advisory Meeting** – Monday, August 3, 2020 – 9:00am-12:00pm  
**SDE Advisory Meeting** – Monday, August 3, 2020 – 2:00pm-4:00pm  
**Scholarship Advisory Meeting** – Tuesday, August 4, 2020 – 4:00pm-6:00pm  
**Degree Check Meeting** – Wednesday, August 5, 2020 – 9:00am-12:00pm  
**Agriscience Fair Meeting** – Wednesday, August 5, 2020 – 2:00pm-4:00pm  
**LDE Advisory Meeting** – Thursday, August 6, 2020 – 9:00am-12:00pm  
**ALDC/Travel Coordinator Meeting** – Thursday, August 6, 2020 – 2:00pm-3:30pm

**Competitive Event Dates**

**State LDEs** – December 4-5, 2020 @ SHSU (modified schedule due to finals)  
**TSU Invitational** – March 25, 2021  
**TAMU Clinics** – March 27, 2021  
**Area Contests @ SHSU (and invitational)** – April 1, 2021  
**Area Contests @ TTU** – April 10, 2021  
**Area Contests @ TSU** – April 14, 2021  
**Area Contests @ TAMU** – April 17, 2021  
**State Wildlife CDE (Region IV)** – April 20, 2021  
**State Forestry CDE/Woodlands Clinic** – April 22, 2021  
**State CDEs @ TTU** – April 23-24, 2021 (*Ag Comm. moving to 2-day format*)  
**State CDEs @ TSU** – April 29, 2021  
**State CDEs @ SHSU** – April 30, 2021  
**State CDEs @ TAMU** – May 1, 2021

**Things to note on contests/events**

- *ALL PLANS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE*
- So far, SHSU has not been told that we cannot hold State LDEs on December 4-5, 2020. We will meet with the LDE Advisory Committee on August 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss district/area events.
- CDE providers met with CDE Chair & Vice Chair, as well as FFA staff on Wednesday, July 22 to discuss 2021 season. This group will meet in October, December, January, and February to evaluate the COVID-19 situation. By February we will know if CDEs will need to change format so that they can happen in some form or fashion for 2021
- A sub-committee of the board will be formed to look at FFA Convention in 2021 scheduled for July 5-9, 2021 in Fort Worth, TX.

**Starting School**

- We are getting questions about student eligibility:
  - o For 2021, there is no change to the interpretation of membership policy when it comes to Introduction to Welding, Welding I, and Welding II. The board will be meeting this Fall to consider membership policy language

that brings the association into alignment with the AFNR Programs of Study, and could potentially affect membership eligibility for 2021-2022.

- FFA believes that as long as a student is in a membership qualifying course, they are eligible to be active FFA members and take advantage of all opportunities available to them as a member. This belief holds true regardless of the delivery method of the course, or enrollment option chosen by a students family.
- TEA has told school districts that if a student enrolls in full-time distance learning, they can create policies which would exclude those students from participating in extracurricular activities. These exclusions have to apply equally to all students and all extracurricular programs. This may significantly impact FFA membership on campuses. Teachers need to be advocates for their programs with local administrators and school board members.