# **Rocky Mountain District Policies**

Texas FFA Area II

# I. MEMBERSHIP & DUES

#### 1. How will membership be determined?

- A. Membership in the Rocky Mountain District shall be of two kinds:
  - 1. Active (As covered by Article IV, B, of the national constitution)
  - 2. Honorary (As covered by Article IV, E, of the national constitution)

#### 2. How will dues amounts be set?

- A. Dues will be \$2.50 per registered FFA member. Full District dues will be received by the District Agriculture Science Teacher Treasurer no later than ONE week prior to the November 1<sup>st</sup> fall deadline and March 1<sup>st</sup> spring deadline.
  - 1. Late dues shall be accepted with a \$10.00 late fee per chapter per occurrence paid to the Rocky Mountain District FFA.
- B. Dues Payment: Full District, Area, State, and National dues shall be paid by November 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> for the spring in order to participate in all Rocky Mountain District FFA activities.
- C. All chapters shall submit a copy of their roster to the District Treasurer with their dues.
- D. A committee to check dues shall be: District President and the District Treasurer.
  - 1. Chapters failing to present a copy of their completed roster or dues, shall forfeit their voting delegates at the District, Area, and State conventions and risk having their charter revoked.
- E. Dues shall be fixed by the executive committee subject to the approval of a majority of the delegates present after a budget for the current year has been approved.

### II. MEETINGS & EVENTS

#### 1. How will events be held and where?

- A. The Rocky Mountain District Association shall have:
  - 1. Fall District Leadership Camp
    - a. To be hosted by the Chapter of the District President
    - b. In any given year, the Chapter of the District President may be responsible for hosting two events: Fall District Leadership Camp, District LDE or District SDE
    - c. Rocky Mountain District will cover food purchase if hosting chapter is unable

#### 2. District LDE Event

- a. The site location will follow this rotation beginning even year (2016):
  - Sierra Blanca (16), Canutillo (17), Clint (18), Coronado (19), El Dorado (20), Eastlake (21), Pebble Hills (22), *Dell City* (23), *Tornillo* (24), CCTE (25)
- b. LDE contest teams/individuals shall consist of no more than 2 per chapter.

#### 3. District SDE Event

- a. The site location will follow this rotation beginning odd year (2017):
  - Clint (17), Coronado (18), El Dorado (19), Eastlake (20), Pebble Hills (21), Dell City (22), Tornillo (23), CCTE (24), Sierra Blanca (25), Canutillo (26)
- b. SDE contest teams/individuals shall consist of no more than 2 per chapter.
  - i. Junior prepared entries shall consist of no more than 4 entries per chapter.
    - 1. Each entry shall be no more than high school sophomore level.
- B. The Rocky Mountain District will hold at least one annual District awards meeting per year. The time and place of holding the District awards meeting will be the District SDE Event and will be scheduled by the executive committee. The Rocky Mountain District organization will notify the host chapter at least 20 days prior to the awards meeting, and specify other articles of arrangement needed.
- C. Each chapter will be represented at the Rocky Mountain District Spring Event by their state delegation count plus one. The voting delegates will be seated in a designated area during the event.
  - 2. The district shall elect only one talent team to represent them at the Area II Convention. Time limits for the Area Talent are 8 minutes: 3 minutes for runoff
  - 3. In elections that have four or more candidates the delegates shall vote for two candidates- ballots with only one will be thrown out
  - 4. In elections that have three or less candidate's delegates shall vote for one candidate
  - 5. State Officer Candidate speeches shall follow State guidelines
  - 6. Area Officer Candidate speeches: initial speech (2 minutes)
  - 7. Any chapter whose advisor does not attend the Rocky Mountain District Spring SDE and actively participate on their designated committee shall not have their applications or record books considered for degrees or awards. To be left under the discretion of the Area Coordinator.

#### 7. Banners:

1. 2 banners per contest maximum

- a. LDE's
  - i. First and Second place purchased by Rocky Mountain District
  - ii. First place only if one contestant is competing
- b. SDE's
  - i. First and Second place purchased by Rocky Mountain District
  - ii. Grand Champion for Senior Prepared
- c. CDE's
  - i. First place banners will be the responsibility of the chapter

### III. EVENT REGISTRATION

- 1. How will participants register for district events?
- \*A. Judging Card will be used to register contestants for all Rocky Mountain District Events.
- 2. What are the penalties for not registering by a set deadline?
- \*A. Failure to register for events through Judging Card will result in inability to compete in the scheduled event. Any issues with registering should be directed to the District President.
  - a. Late fees will be applied for failure to meet registration deadlines.
  - b. All district events will be paid for at event site to the Rocky Mountain District Treasurer.
  - c. Chapters must be in good standing by LDE Event to register for SDE Event.

# IV. DISTRICT FUNDS

- 1. District will provide money for FFA postage and correspondence for District Secretary and Treasurer if needed.
- 2. District will be responsible for purchasing items listed in ARTICLE IV; V, s D, E, F; VI, A, 1.c, C, 8.
- 3. District will be responsible for banquet expenses:
  - a. Speaker, special invited guests
  - b. Programs

# V. DISTRICT AG-SCIENCE ADVISORS

- 1. How will the Rocky Mountain District be governed?
  - \*A. AG-Science teachers: The RMD will be governed by an elected group determined by the AST's at the VATAT conference.

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT POLICIES**

- 1. AST's with 3+ years with VATAT and/or RMD will be considered for an elected position.
- 2. Officer positions shall have the following term limits:
  - 1. President (3 years), Vice President (3 years), Secretary (3 years), Treasurer\*
  - 2. Treasurer term is not limited
    - 1. Treasurer shall be two signees at the same chapter

### B. What will make up the quorum?

\*A. A quorum shall consist of 7 AST's from the 10 participating chapters and make up the executive committee.

#### 3. How often will District AST's meet?

- \*A. District planning will take place the afternoon before the first day of the Area II Leadership camp or another pre-dertermined location.
- 1. To be held at 5pm at a pre-designated location.
- 2. <u>If</u> you are not able to attend the planning meeting, it is your responsibility to contact the Ag-Science District Teacher President.