

MEATS EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Purpose:

The purpose of the National FFA Meats Evaluation and Technology Career Development Event (CDE) is to develop broader analytical skills, critical-thinking strategies and an understanding of appropriate meat terminology for high school students. In addition, students will develop the ability to evaluate meat animal products in order to optimize economic returns to producers and industry as well as to meet the needs of the consumer.

Description:

Participants of the meats evaluation and technology CDE will work cooperatively to complete a problem-solving activity; identify various cuts, muscles, and bones; grade carcasses based on quality and yield; complete a written exam; and evaluate and answer questions on various classes of meat cuts.



Career Opportunities:

- Meat inspector
- Slaughter processor
- Carcass merchandiser
- Livestock grader
- Evisceration processor
- Freezer/refrigeration specialist
- Food styler



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