The FFA Talent CDE is designed to develop individual or group talent, to stimulate participation of members, and develop further talent efforts among the FFA membership. Regional talent winners and alternates must be certified in the same manner as other FFA CDEs. In addition the information sheet must

1. Only bonafide FFA members with state dues paid for current school year will be eligible. (See page 1.1, Section 1-A.)

2. Each region will select two acts to compete at the state level.

3. Appropriate awards will be given to top talent and individual participating.

4. Designation of talent to represent Minnesota in National FFA talent is the responsibility of the Minnesota State FFA Advisor. Winning the talent CDE does not automatically certify the winner or team to represent the state in any other event.

5. Any individual or a group of no more than 7 members may compete.

6. No previous state talent CDE winner may repeat in the regional or state talent CDE.

7. Appropriate dress for the talent being performed will be worn for talent competition.

8. Talent numbers shall be 5 minutes in length for competition and judging. A penalty of five points for each minute overtime will be deducted from the total score.

9. One accompanist will be allowed per entry. This individual must perform as an actual accompanist and will be included in the maximum number of seven.

10. If the talent act is a singing act using pre-recorded music, no vocals of any kind are allowed within the pre-recorded music. This rule does not apply to other talent acts.

11. All contestants must report to the talent CDE Faculty Chair in charge at 2:00 PM April 23, 2017 at Mariucci Arena. An order of appearance for the preliminary competition will be assigned by the CDE Faculty Chair. Preliminary competition will begin at 2:30 pm. Late entries can participate in the preliminary competition but will not be eligible for the finals competition unless prior arrangements have been made with the CDE Faculty Chair.

12. Judges for the talent CDE finals shall consist of three impartial persons. Only the top three acts will be announced and the remaining acts will be listed in alphabetical order.

13. Talent entries must be certified through the regional CDE committee member. The Talent registration and biography pages should be filled out and sent to Ron Kelsey: kelseyr@rrcnet.org

14. Failure of a regional representative to participate at state level will bar the chapter from regional competition for the following year.
### TALENT CDE

**JUDGE’S SCORE SHEET**

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**TOTAL** 100

Penalty Points (5 for each minute overtime) - 

**FINAL SCORE**

**COMMENTS:**
Talent Registration
Talent Contest–State FFA Convention
(Two winners/region)

Email this form to Faculty Chair Ron Kelsey (kelseyr@rrcnet.org) &
Mike Thofson (mthofson@isd2071.k12.mn.us) ASAP

CHAPTER______________________________________________
ADDRESS______________________________________________
CITY/STATE/ZIP_________________________________________
AREA CODE/PHONE_____________________________________
NAME OF ADVISOR_____________________________________
CELL PHONE______________________
NAME OF ACT _____________________________________________
TYPE OF ACT ______________________________________________
BRIEF DESCRIPTION______________________________________________________________
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT NEEDS ______________________________________________________
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MEMBERS IN GROUP: _____________________________________________________________

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Talent Registration is at 2:00 pm Sunday, April 23, 2017 at Mariucci Arena

PRELIMINARY JUDGING OF THE TALENT ENTRIES BEGINS AT 2:30 PM WITH ACTS NEEDING A PIANO COMPETING FIRST. GROUPS AND BANDS REQUIRING A LOT OF SET UP WILL COMPETE LAST.

AFTER THE PRELIMINARY ROUND JUDGING IS COMPLETE, THE JUDGES WILL SELECT UP TO TEN TALENT ACTS THAT WILL PERFORM ON SUNDAY EVENING.

THE WINNER WILL PERFORM AGAIN ON MONDAY EVENING DURING THE AWARDS PROGRAM.

The University of Minnesota, National FFA Organization, and the Minnesota FFA Association are not responsible for lost or stolen items at convention. All items are the responsibility of the individual.
TALENT PERFORMERS BIOGRAPHY

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS OF INFORMATION FOR THE EMCEE TO INTERVIEW THE PERFORMER AFTER COMPETITION

NAME OF PERFORMANCE:

NAMES OF PERFORMERS/GRADE IN SCHOOL:

GRADES:

HOW LONG HAVE THEY PERFORMED:

OTHERS SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

SPORTS:

THEIR HIGHLIGHTS IN FFA:

GREATEST FFA MOMENT:

HIGHEST AWARD:

CAREER GOAL:

COLLEGE TO ATTEND:

HOBBIES:

OTHER: