

ALABAMA FFA ASSOCIATION

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

March 12, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: South District FFA Advisors

FROM: Jerad Dyess, FFA Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: South District FFA Spring Eliminations

The South District FFA Eliminations will be held at the Enterprise High School Performing Arts Center on Thursday, April 30th beginning at 9:30 a.m. You must complete a pre-registration form online by Noon on April 15, 2020 to participate. The link to the pre-registration is https://forms.gle/Tonp7UTaUvzScUEq7. You will also complete a registration form on-site to verify your online registration. The registration link and form has been posted, along with other pertinent documents, to the Calendar page of www.alabamaffa.org for your convenience.

The Safe Tractor Driving CDE will be the only event that will be off-site this year. The event will be held at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton. The participants will travel by bus with the teacher in charge of the event, after they are released from the auditorium at EHS. <u>Lunch will be provided for the participants in this event, free of charge.</u> Please make sure participants in the Safe Tractor Driving CDE have the proper Release of Liability Form completed and with them at the event site. **No Release Form – No Participation!**

A program for the event has been posted to the Calendar page of www.alabamaffa.org for your review. It will take all of us working together to properly conduct these events. Please be ready to assist with the event to which you are assigned. Your cooperation and assistance is needed and will be appreciated. Please contact me if you cannot attend the South District Eliminations for whatever reason.

Enterprise High School will be in session on April 30th. Please make sure to inform your students of this and that they will be prohibited from entering the main campus, unless it is to report to a designated area for an event. Buses will be directed to a designated area to park after unloading in front of the EHS Performing Arts Center. Cars and trucks may park in available student or faculty parking. If no parking is available in the student or faculty parking lots, then vehicles may park where the buses park as well.

Please see that your participants are at the EHS Performing Arts Center, on time, and properly dressed for the occasion. Tobacco products are prohibited at all FFA events. We are proud of the behavior of our FFA members in the past, and I know we can count on the same excellent behavior this year.

There are numerous eating establishments in the Enterprise area. The cafeteria at Enterprise High School will not be an option for your students.

Please walk with your students from the EHS Performing Arts Center to the area the buses are parked at the close of the awards ceremony to load your bus. We will need to begin the awards ceremony at 1:30 p.m. sharp in order to be finished before the high school dismisses at 3:10 p.m. In case the awards ceremony lasts longer than 3 p.m., we do not want to congest the high school parking lot with buses waiting for FFA members to load.

Thank you for the opportunities you provide for your students! I look forward to seeing you in Enterprise on April 30th.