

36th Annual Student Career Days
March 22 – 25, 2012
Kansas State University

ANNUAL & PERENNIAL IDENTIFICATION

Description: The student (maximum of two individuals per school) will be required to identify, by botanical name (genus and species) and common name, a group of 50 annual and perennial plants. These plants will be live samples and will be selected from the master list of plants posted to the Student Career Days Web site prior to the event.

Time: 1 hour and 50 minutes (55 minutes per participant, as participants are split into two groups)

JUDGING CRITERIA

Points: 100 possible points per individual; individual scores are combined toward the team score for a total of 200 possible points.

Each plant will be worth a maximum of two points:

- .5 point for correct spelling
- .5 point for genus
- .5 point for species (and cultivar, if applicable)
- .5 point for common name

Time will only be used as a tiebreaker.

Students are required to bring the following materials to the event: Two sharpened pencils with erasers and a clipboard. No scratch paper will be allowed into the event.

Sponsor is required to supply the following materials for the event:

- Live specimens (selected from the master list provided by PLANET)
- 130 answer sheets with cover page
- Stopwatches
- Laminated numbers for each specimen
- Sufficient number of judges and event monitors
- Final solution ready for scoring the students' solutions
- Any other items deemed necessary for this event