

Parliamentary Procedure

Purpose

The purpose of the Parliamentary Procedure CDE shall be to allow students to conduct a mock chapter meeting to demonstrate knowledge of basic parliamentary law and the correct use of parliamentary procedures.

Team Score Format

A team shall consist of six members. The team is scored as a group. There are no individual scores in the event.

Event Format

1. Each team shall consist of six members
2. The team will select the chair.
3. The team will be provided with a motion to be presented during the demonstration.
4. Each team member (excluding the chair) will be assigned a contestant number and issued a procedure to be demonstrated during the demonstration.
5. The procedure must be conducted along with the assigned motion.
6. After assignments are made, the team will be given two minutes to “huddle.”
7. The teams must conduct a demonstration in the form of a meeting.
8. The demonstration should last no more than 10 minutes.
9. During the demonstration, the team may use more than one main motion as long as it pertains to the assigned main motion.
10. At the conclusion of the demonstration, each contestant will be asked one question pertaining to his or her demonstration.
11. Minutes will not be taken.

Exam: The event shall consist of a 25 question multiple choice exam directly taken from “Dunbar’s Parliamentary Procedure Test Questions.”. On even numbered years, the event will come from the even numbered questions. On odd calendar years, the event will test the odd questions.

Presentation Main Motion: The main motion shall be taken from the even numbered motions on the even years and the odd numbered motions on odd years.

Oral Questions: The oral questions related to the assigned motions will be taken from the even numbered oral questions in the manual on the even years and the odd numbered questions on the odd years.

The topics for the main motions in 2018-2022 can consist of any of the following:

FFA Leadership Events (camps, conferences, etc.)

Alumni Involvement at the State Level

South Carolina FFA State Convention

Offering Opportunities to Middle School FFA Members

National FFA Convention
 Community Development
 Chapter Development
 Student Development

Five Motions will be selected from the following list on EVEN YEARS

Main Motion
 Fix the Time Which to Adjourn
 Adjourn
 Raise a Question of Privilege
 Commit or Refer
 Amend
 Point of Order
 Division of the Assembly
 Parliamentary Inquiry
 Take from the Table
 Withdraw a motion
 Previous Question
 Division of a Question

Five Motions will be selected from the following list on ODD YEARS

Main Motion
 Question of Privilege
 Lay on the Table
 Appeal
 Call for the Orders of the Day
 Limit or Extend the Limits of Debate
 Object to the Consideration of the Question
 Withdraw the Main Motion
 Recess
 Reconsider
 Previous Question
 Postpone Indefinitely
 Suspend the Rules

**Additional abilities other than those listed above may be used to score extra points for the discussion category.

Please see the scorecard on our webpage for detailed information on scoring.