

Call for Registration and Research Papers
9th Annual
Arthur Berkey Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Science Fair
State FFA Convention, March 9, 2017
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Deadline for Application and Research Paper: February, 1st, 2017

Michigan State University and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources seek research papers and applications for the 9th annual Arthur Berkey Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Science Fair. The Arthur Berkey AFNR Science Fair aims to promote the use of scientific protocol in agriculture, food, and natural resources-based projects for students within the 7-12 public education system and 4-H. Focus of student research should be based on innovative research projects within the following categories:

- I. Animal Systems (AS)**
- II. Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems (ENR)**
- III. Food Products and Processing Systems (FPP)**
- IV. Plant Systems (PS)**
- V. Power, Structural and Technical Systems (PST)**
- VI. Social Systems (SS)**

Students may be part of a two-member team or individual projects as outlined by the National FFA Agriscience Fair Guidelines (see the application on the Michigan or National FFA websites).

- I. Division 1 – individual member in grades 7 and 8**
- II. Division 2 – team of two members in grades 7 and 8**
- III. Division 3 – individual member in grades 9 and 10**
- IV. Division 4 – team of two members in grades 9 and 10**
- V. Division 5 – individual member in grades 11 and 12**
- VI. Division 6 – team of two members in grades 11 and 12**

Selection Criteria

The goal of the selection committee is to accept research papers and applications that include innovative scientific ideas in an effort to advance student knowledge of scientific research at the middle and high school levels. Note that if there are a large number of entries in one category/division, research papers **will** be used as a qualifying component to determine presenting individuals and teams at the Michigan State FFA Convention.

General Information

Registration and research papers must be submitted through the MSUE website by February 1st, 2017. Attach the application and research paper in one PDF at the website listed below. Proposals will be selected to present at the Michigan State FFA Convention on March 9th, 2017. Students and Advisors will be notified by e-mail or phone of their acceptance. Questions can be addressed to Mike Everett at everettm@anr.msu.edu or by phone at 517-432-0292. For questions regarding the online submission process, please call ANR Event Services at 517-353-3175.

