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MEMO

Date: September 25, 2023

TO: Chapter Advisors

FROM: Mrs. Amanda Powell, State FFA Executive Secretary
2023-2024 State FFA Officers

RE: **MIDDLE SCHOOL FFA DISCOVERY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

The Delaware FFA Discovery Leadership Conference for Middle School FFA Chapters (6th-8th grades) will be held at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, DE on November 30th, with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. and opening session at 9:00am. The program will conclude no later than 2:00 p.m.

This leadership training is open to all 6-8th grade FFA Members and chapter officers. Each chapter attending must have at least 1 advisor to chaperone their members. Registration for the Discovery Conference is open on Judging Card. Please complete the registration on Judging Card no later than **October 27**. Payment is due to Dr. Bart Gill at the Department of Education no later than **November 22nd**. Make checks payable to Delaware FFA Association. Please note that Judging Card will generate an invoice when the data is properly entered.

The cost per student registered is \$10, advisors are free. Any chapter that registers more students than actually attend will be required to reimburse the State Association for those not attending at \$10/student cost. If you register **six** students and only three attend, you are responsible for the cost of **six**. Cancellations must be sent in to Corinne at least **five (5) working** days before the conference. The chapter is responsible for the cost of their students after this **November 22, 2023**. Any chapter that has an outstanding balance from any other FFA leadership conference or CDE will NOT be allowed to attend the conference if they are not paid in full, prior to November 22nd. Dress is casual and should be appropriate for the weather. They will be able to wear their conference t-shirts that day.

We are excited to have the opportunity to present the 2023 Middle School FFA Discovery Leadership Conference to your students thanks to **Corteva!!**

The FFA Mission

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success** through agricultural education.*

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