

2017 District 5

4-H Consumer Decision Making Competition Instructions

Please be aware: This contest does not seem to like the Internet Explorer browser, MOZILLA Firefox is the preferred browser for this contest. Also, it wasn't set up to be smartphone compatible; therefore, I cannot guarantee it to be accessible through a phone or tablet.

Step 1: Register to participate on 4-H Connect by February 28, 2016 (late registration thru March 4th)

Step 2: Enroll for the online contest following the instructions below.

*If you already have an account set up on campus.extension.org

- Follow this link to the contest: <http://campus.extension.org/course/view.php?id=1092>
- You should be prompted to login, do so.
- Then you should be prompted for the "Access Key", please enter: **D5CDM** (all in capital letters).
- This should take you directly into the competition.
You may also find your way to the competition by going through the search bar on the main page (campus.extension.org) by typing in "D5 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest".

*If you do not already have an account,

- Go to: <http://campus.extension.org/>
- Select "create new account"
- Complete the account creation process (each sibling will have to have individual account)
- Go to your email account, you should receive an email from campushelp@extension.org
- Select the link you received (it should send you directly to the campus.extension.org website)
- You should then be prompted to enter an "Access Key" which is: **D5CDM** (all in capital letters)
- This should take you directly into the competition.

Once you have made your way onto the CDM Competition page, please read through the contest guide (also attached below) and work your way through the 4 sections of the contest. The contest will move very quickly once you get started.

The **"Sample Classes" will become active on March 1st** to allow you to explore and become familiar with the format. However, **"Contest Classes" will not become active until 12:01 AM on March 18th (remaining open until 11:59PM April 1st)**. Please use the "Sample Classes" to get familiar with the way the system works before beginning the "Competition Classes".

- *Once you select the first class, a navigation bar should open to the left of your screen. Once you have selected the "finish and submit" button for that first class, you may use this navigation bar to select the next Class or move to the next Section.*

Should you have any problems, please feel free to contact the virtual contest creator, Willie Arnwine via email at warnwine@aq.tamu.edu or office phone (903) 683-5416.

On behalf the D5 CDM Committee, thank you for participating and I hope you enjoy the contest.

Good Luck!

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District 5 4-H Consumer Decision Making Competition Guide

- **Section 1: SAMPLE CLASSES (Non-Mandatory)**

1. **This Section will become active at 12:01 AM on March 1, 2017 and will close at 11:59PM on April 1, 2016.**
2. If you have not participated in this online CDM competition before, you are **highly encouraged** to attempt at least some of these sample classes before attempting the contest.
3. These sample scenarios are here to help you become familiar with the online format and structure of the competition.
4. The first two sample classes have no time limit and can be re-attempted multiple times.
5. The remaining sample classes are limited to 7 minutes just like the regular competition.
6. The last sample class is also the sample reasons class, please treat it as such. Making some quick reasons notes to use as reminders to help you organize your thoughts on the sample reasons form is a good idea. However, you must be quick about it because you still only have 7 minutes to finish and submit your placings. Any placings that are not submitted within the allotted time will not be counted towards your overall score.
7. Do not expect to see any answers to any sample or competition classes, as none will be provided.
8. Please notice the navigation bar to the left of your screen and use this to navigate between classes and sections.

- **Section 2: COMPETITION CLASSES (Mandatory for All Competitors)**

1. **This Section will become active at 12:01 AM on March 18, 2017 and will close at 11:59PM on April 1, 2016.**
2. This section is mandatory for all competitors.
3. This is where the actual competition begins.
4. Each class in this section is timed and you have 7 minutes to decide and submit your placings.
5. Intermediate & Senior level competitors will have to write reason for certain competition classes which are respectively identified.
6. Make sure that you quickly write down any "reasons notes" before you submit your answers because you will not be able to review the classes after you submit your placings.

- **Section 3: WRITTEN REASONS (Mandatory for Intermediates & Seniors)**

1. **This Section will become active at 12:01 AM on March 18, 2017 and will close at 11:59PM on April 1, 2016.**
2. Junior competitors do not have to write reasons; therefore, they may go on to Section 4 at this time.
3. Intermediate competitors will write reasons to justify their placings for "D5 CDM COMPETITION - CLASS 1".
4. Senior competitors will write reasons to justify their placings for "D5 CDM COMPETITION - CLASS 2" and "D5 CDM - COMPETITION CLASS 3"

- **Section 4: SATISFACTION SURVEY (Non-Mandatory but VERY MUCH APPRECIATED)**

1. **This Section will become active at 12:01 AM on March 18, 2017 and will close at 11:59PM on April 1, 2016.**
2. *This section is not mandatory but is truly appreciated because it helps us to identify and improve any problems.*
3. *Please be honest with any and all answers.*
4. *All suggestions will be read and discussed by the D5 CDM Committee.*

SCORING & RESULTS:

- *Overall individual scores will be calculated based on the competitors' scores in sections 2 & 3 only.*
- *Team scores will then be calculated by adding the three highest scores from each respective team.*
- *Top placings will be posted on the District 5 4-H webpage upon certification by the District CDM Contest Chairman and D5 4-H Specialist.*
- *Contest Ribbons will be distributed to the respective County 4-H Offices of the recipients.*
- *Seniors who qualify to advance to the State CDM Contest held during Texas 4-H Roundup will be notified by the District 4-H Office.*