



CAREER CLUSTER
Marketing

CAREER PATHWAY
Marketing Management

INSTRUCTIONAL AREA
Marketing

FOOD MARKETING SERIES EVENT

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTIONS

- The event will be presented to you through your reading of the 21st Century Skills, Performance Indicators and Event Situation. You will have up to 10 minutes to review this information and prepare your presentation. You may make notes to use during your presentation.
- You will have up to 10 minutes to make your presentation to the judge (you may have more than one judge).
- You will be evaluated on how well you demonstrate the 21st Century Skills and meet the performance indicators of this event.
- Turn in all of your notes and event materials when you have completed the event.

21st CENTURY SKILLS

- Critical Thinking – Reason effectively and use systems thinking.
- Problem Solving – Make judgments and decisions and solve problems.
- Communication – Communicate clearly.
- Creativity and Innovation – Show evidence of creativity.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- Explain the importance of company involvement in community activities.
- Explain the role of promotion as a marketing function.
- Explain factors that influence customer/client/business buying behavior.
- Describe marketing functions and related activities.
- Demonstrate connections between company actions and results.

EVENT SITUATION

You are to assume the role of the general manager at SMALL TOWN FOODS, an independently owned grocery store in a town of 10,000 people. The owner (judge) wants you to determine how the business can be involved in a community activity other than simply donating money.

SMALL TOWN FOODS is located in a town of 10,000 people. SMALL TOWN FOODS is the only grocery store in the city. There is a national big-box discount retailer eight miles away and the town does have one dollar store that sells a small assortment of food items.

For the past two years, there has been a city-wide chili cook-off. The event is on a Saturday in November and has live music, various concessions, vendors and samples of all the chili cook-off entries. The big-box discount retailer sponsors the prizes which includes trophies and gift cards to the retailer.

This year the owner of SMALL TOWN FOODS (judge) wants the business to be involved in the community event. The owner (judge) thinks that participating in the community event will be great marketing for SMALL TOWN FOODS. The owner (judge) has asked you to determine how the business can be involved in the chili cook-off aside from simply donating money.

You will present your ideas to the owner (judge) in a role-play to take place in the owner's (judge's) office. The owner (judge) will begin the role-play by greeting you and asking to hear your ideas. After you have presented ideas and have answered the owner's (judge's) questions, the owner (judge) will conclude the role-play by thanking you for your work.

JUDGE INSTRUCTIONS

DIRECTIONS, PROCEDURES AND JUDGE ROLE

In preparation for this event, you should review the following information with your event manager and other judges:

1. Participant Instructions, 21st Century Skills and Performance Indicators
2. Event Situation
3. Judge Role-Play Characterization
Allow the participants to present their ideas without interruption, unless you are asked to respond. Participants may conduct a slightly different type of meeting and/or discussion with you each time; however, it is important that the information you provide and the questions you ask be uniform for every participant.
4. Judge Evaluation Instructions and Judge Evaluation Form
Please use a critical and consistent eye in rating each participant.

JUDGE ROLE-PLAY CHARACTERIZATION

You are to assume the role of the owner of SMALL TOWN FOODS, an independently owned grocery store in a town of 10,000 people. You want the general manager (participant) to determine how the business can be involved in a community activity other than simply donating money.

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This year you want the business to be involved in the community event. You think that participating in the community event will be great marketing for SMALL TOWN FOODS. You have asked the general manager (participant) to determine how the business can be involved in the chili cook-off aside from simply donating money.

The participant will present information to you in a role-play to take place in your office. You will begin the role-play by greeting the participant and asking to hear about his/her ideas.

During the course of the role-play, you are to ask the following questions of each participant:

1. What special sales should we schedule for our store the week leading up to the cook-off?
2. Why should or shouldn't we try to sponsor the prizes next year?

Once the general manager (participant) has presented information and has answered your questions, you will conclude the role-play by thanking the general manager (participant) for the work.

You are not to make any comments after the event is over except to thank the participant.

EVALUATION INSTRUCTIONS

The participants are to be evaluated on their ability to perform the specific performance indicators stated on the cover sheet of this event and restated on the Judge's Evaluation Form. Although you may see other performance indicators demonstrated by the participants, those listed in the Performance Indicators section are the critical ones you are measuring for this particular event.

Evaluation Form Interpretation

The evaluation levels listed below and the evaluation rating procedures should be discussed thoroughly with your event director and the other judges to ensure complete and common understanding for judging consistency.

Level of Evaluation	Interpretation Level
Exceeds Expectations	Participant demonstrated the performance indicator in an extremely professional manner; greatly exceeds business standards; would rank in the top 10% of business personnel performing this performance indicator.
Meets Expectations	Participant demonstrated the performance indicator in an acceptable and effective manner; meets at least minimal business standards; there would be no need for additional formalized training at this time; would rank in the 70-89 th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.
Below Expectations	Participant demonstrated the performance indicator with limited effectiveness; performance generally fell below minimal business standards; additional training would be required to improve knowledge, attitude and/or skills; would rank in the 50-69 th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.
Little/No Value	Participant demonstrated the performance indicator with little or no effectiveness; a great deal of formal training would be needed immediately; perhaps this person should seek other employment; would rank in the 0-49 th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.



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2022**

**JUDGE'S EVALUATION FORM
DISTRICT EVENT 1**

Participant: _____

**INSTRUCTIONAL AREA:
Marketing**

ID Number: _____

Did the participant:		Little/No Value	Below Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Judged Score
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS						
1.	Explain the importance of company involvement in community activities?	0-1-2-3-4	5-6-7-8	9-10-11	12-13-14	
2.	Explain the role of promotion as a marketing function?	0-1-2-3-4	5-6-7-8	9-10-11	12-13-14	
3.	Explain factors that influence customer/client/business buying behavior?	0-1-2-3-4	5-6-7-8	9-10-11	12-13-14	
4.	Describe marketing functions and related activities?	0-1-2-3-4	5-6-7-8	9-10-11	12-13-14	
5.	Demonstrate connections between company actions and results?	0-1-2-3-4	5-6-7-8	9-10-11	12-13-14	
21st CENTURY SKILLS						
6.	Reason effectively and use systems thinking?	0-1	2-3	4	5-6	
7.	Make judgments and decisions, and solve problems?	0-1	2-3	4	5-6	
8.	Communicate clearly?	0-1	2-3	4	5-6	
9.	Show evidence of creativity?	0-1	2-3	4	5-6	
10.	Overall impression and responses to the judge's questions	0-1	2-3	4	5-6	
TOTAL SCORE						