



# NCA Competitive Events 2023-2024 Update September 1, 2023

This update summarizes major changes to the NCA Event Guidelines but is not an all-inclusive list. Changes to both the rating sheets and rules are made every year for consistency and clarity. Full event guidelines should be printed new from [jag.org](http://jag.org) every September at [jag.org/hcdc](http://jag.org/hcdc).

## GENERAL UPDATES

1. March 15 will be the registration and materials deadline from now on. This date should be used for states to plan local and regional events, leading up to the National competitions each year.
2. The majority of the rubrics and event description language has been reduced and simplified.
3. Section 13.a has been included to discuss the appropriate use of Artificial Intelligence tools.

## INDIVIDUAL EVENT UPDATES

### Business Plan Event

Now includes the submission of a presentation deck, and the presentation of the deck to judges at the NCDC event to more closely mimic a business pitch in the real world.

### NCA Knowledge Bowl Event

The 2023-2024 question pool will be expanded (from the JAG website, handbooks, and publications) to include recognized industry and career information in the following works:

- What Color is Your Parachute? by Richard N. Bolles
- The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People: Powerful Lessons in Personal Change by Stephen R. Covey