

2026 Career Applications in Horticulture

Demonstration Practicum

Task:

This year students will be safely demonstrating the standard procedure of mound layering.

Tools and Safety Equipment Provided:

- Plant sample
- Containers
- Potting media
- Pins
- Tags

Recommended Supplies to Bring:

- *Clipboard*
- *Pencils (x2)*
- *Any item necessary to meet student accommodations*

Evaluation

*We will be using a rubric created based on best industry practices of the greenhouse/floriculture industry. We encourage you to review safety procedures and revisit how to complete a mound layer. Judges will ask 2 verbal questions about identifying this plant and how you determine when you should remove the layered section from the parent plant. They will respond orally, and may use any needed accommodation to achieve their response. **A teacher or classroom aide are encouraged to assist with accommodations within this and all aspects of the Career Applications in Horticulture Contest.***