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Horticulture Demonstration Event



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Sponsored By James River Equipment

Registration Deadline: September 16, 2022

Participants must register through the online registration system on vaffa.org. Hyperlinks to the registration forms are available in the category descriptions below. <u>Teams</u> will need to be entered under team or school name. <u>Individuals</u> will also need to be entered separately to be eligible for scholarships.

2022 Official Schedule

Date: September 26, 2022 Location: Farm Credit Barn Contestants Meeting: 10:00 am Contest Begins: 10:15 am Awards Presentation: at the conclusion of the event

Participants must have a \$5 Student Competition Ticket to enter the Fairgrounds. FFA Advisor/coach is responsible for ordering tickets. Find more information here: <u>https://www.vaffa.org/state-fair-of-virginia</u>

Contest Rules

1. Each FFA chapter is invited to enter **<u>TWO</u>** demonstrations. If two teams are registered they must be in different divisions (*This is*

a change from previous years)

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- 2. Demonstrations are presented by either one individual contestant or a team of two contestants.
- 3. Contestants may be any active FFA member who is enrolled in an agricultural education course during the school term preceding entry in the contest.
- 4. No individual may present the same demonstration in successive years.
- 5. Pre-registration is required by September 16th.
- 6. Presentations must be of a demonstration nature (actually doing something), not simply an illustrated talk.
- 7. Demonstration topics may deal with fruits, vegetables, nuts, flowers, ornamental plants, and turf within any of the following areas:
 - <u>A. Crop production or soil management.</u>
 - o <u>B. Crop marketing or preparation for storage and exhibition.</u>
 - o <u>C. Food crop preparation for fresh use or processing or floral material preservation.</u>
 - D. Artistic arrangement of live or dried products in arrangements, corsages, or plaques. Artificial plants and flowers are not allowed, but ceramic and natural ornaments may be used.
 - E. Landscaping, installation, and plant maintenance within and around the home, business, or public grounds.
 - o F. Middle School Division (may choose to present a topic related to any of the above categories)
- 8. Each demonstration is limited to 12 minutes. Following the demonstration, the judges (only) may ask questions of the contestant(s) and only about the demonstration for 3 minutes
- 9. Contestants must provide all equipment and materials required for their demonstrations.
- 10. All categories will be limited to the first $\underline{10}$ entries in each category.

Awards The State Fair of Virginia will award ribbons to the five high teams/individuals in each category. 1-3 - Rosettes 4-5 - Flats

State Fair Scholarship Program

Contestants will be eligible to participate in the State Fair Scholarship Program. Please see the **State Fair website**, www.statefairva.org, for more information regarding the **State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program and eligibility** requirements for other available scholarships. The following scholarships will be awarded to the top 2 individuals/Teams in each senior category:

1st All Senior Categories - \$200 2nd All Senior Categories - \$100

Scholarships are split if it is a team of two contestants.

