



VIRGINIA
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Lawn Tractor Operators Contest State Fair of Virginia

Contest Rules:

1. Each county/club/city is invited to enter a contestant (limited to the first 25 contestants).
2. Contestants must be between 13 and 18 years of age on January 1st in order to be eligible to compete.
3. Each contestant should bring a clipboard and pencil.
4. In case of a tie for individual awards, ranking will be determined by:
 - a. Written Exam
 - b. Parts Identification
 - c. Obstacle Course
 - d. Time

If electrical storms prevent the driving portion of the contest, then written scores will be used to determine the state winner.

5. Contestants are judges on safety at all times while at the contest site: before, during and after their contest operation. At the discretion of the judges, unsafe operation may disqualify a contestant.
6. While at the contest, all participants are scored on safety, written quiz, parts identification, lawn and garden operation on the course, and time.
7. Any rule or interpretation not covered here is decided by the superintendent and assistants of the contest; their decisions are final.
8. Please contact Andy Seibel, gseibel@vt.edu for addition information.

(More detailed information can be found in the Virginia 4-H Lawn Mower Contest Manual)

Classes:

1. Written Exam
2. Parts Identification
3. Obstacle Course

Awards:

Top six individuals will receive rosettes. Seventh through tenth will receive ribbons.

1st: \$50, 2nd: \$45, 3rd: \$40, 4th: \$35, 5th: \$30, 6th: \$25, 7th: \$20, 8th: \$15, 9th: \$10, 10th: \$5

Scholarships:

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 four individuals:

1st: \$300
2nd: \$200
3rd: \$150
4th: \$100

2023 Date: 9/22

State Fair Address:

Meadow Event Park
13111 Dawn Blvd
Doswell, Virginia 23047
Caroline County

Contest Registration and Tickets for the Fair:

Participants must have a \$6 Student Competition Ticket to enter the Fairgrounds unless they are already at the Fair for another competition. Agricultural Education instructors are responsible for ordering tickets:

<https://www.vaffa.org/state-fair-of-virginia>

Event Location:

Blue Ribbon Pavilion

Times:

Contestant Meeting: 10:30 AM

Contest Begins: 11:00 AM

Awards: Following the Event

Entry Deadline:

September 15

Contest Superintendents:

Andy Seibel and
LaVeta Nutter

Questions? Contact Us!

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