



VIRGINIA
FFA ASSOCIATION

Horticulture Demonstration Event

State Fair of Virginia



Contest Rules:

1. Each FFA Chapter is invited to enter TWO demonstrations. If two teams are registered, they must be in different divisions (This is a change from previous years)
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 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 15th.
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, turf within any of the following areas:
 - a. Crop production or soil management.
 - b. Crop marketing or preparation for storage or exhibition.
 - c. Food crop preparation for fresh use or processing or floral material preservation.
 - d. Artistic arrangement 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.
 - 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 10 entries in each country.

Awards:

The State Fair of Virginia will award ribbons to the five high teams/individuals in each category: 1st-3rd: Rosettes, 4th-5th: Flats

Premiums will be awarded to the top 10 overall participants. Teams of two will split the award.
10th-\$10, 9th-\$10, 8th-\$10, 7th-\$10, 6th-\$10, 5th-\$15, 4th-\$20, 3rd-\$30, 2nd-\$40, 1st-\$50

2023 Date: 9/25

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:

Farm Credit Pavilion

Times:

Contestant Meeting: 10:00 AM

Contest Begins: 10:15 AM

Awards: Following the Event

Entry Deadline:

September 15

Contest Superintendents:

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Questions? Contact Us!

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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 individuals:

1st All Senior Categories: \$200

2nd All Senior Categories: \$100

(Scholarships are split if it is a team of two contestants)

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