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## 4H & FFA Lawn Tractor Operators Safety Contest

### Superintendents:

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**Registration Deadline: September 15, 2021**  
Sponsored by James River Equipment

### State Fair of Virginia

#### 2021 Official Schedule

**Date: Friday, September 24, 2021**

**Location: Blue Ribbon Tent located in Harvest Landing**

**Contestants Meeting: 10:30 a.m.**

**Contest Begins: 11:00 a.m.**

**Awards Presentation: at conclusion of the event**

**Participants must have a \$5 Student Competition Ticket to enter the Fairgrounds.** 4H agent/FFA advisor is responsible for ordering tickets. Please visit the State Fair event page at [vaffa.org](http://vaffa.org).

**Contest rules are available at:** <http://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/competitions.html>

**Entry Form can be found at:** <https://forms.gle/iS3AEy6g98RaTfdB8>

#### Contest Rules

1. Each county/city/club 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 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be eligible to compete.
3. Each contestant should bring a clip board and pencil.
4. In case of a tie for individual awards, ranking will be determined by 1) written exam, 2) parts id, 3) obstacle course, 4) 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 judged 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 Tractor 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](mailto:gseibel@vt.edu) or Dan Swafford, [jswaffor@vt.edu](mailto:jswaffor@vt.edu) for additional information.

**Classes** – more detailed information can be found in the *Virginia 4H Lawn Mower contest manual*.

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

## Awards

### Premiums

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

### 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](http://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:

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
\$300.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00

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