

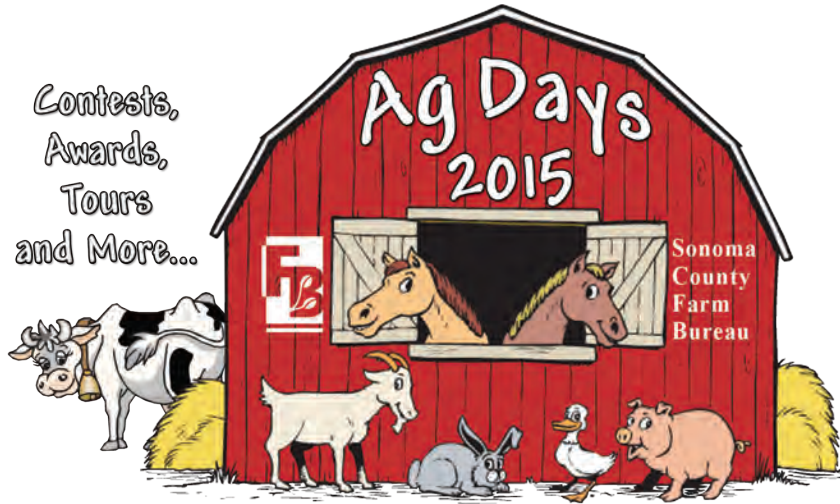


Sonoma County Farm Bureau

Presents



Contests,
Awards,
Tours
and More...



Celebrate Sonoma County's Number One Industry by attending Ag Days "Sonoma County - Farm Powered" at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds

School Tours Offered Two Days - Tuesday, March 17 and Wednesday, March 18, 2015

Tour Sonoma County agriculture all in one place! Visit the Sonoma County Fairgrounds to see "Agriculture in Action".

Tours and displays will be open 9 a.m. to noon each day. Students will have the opportunity to see **farm animals** and learn about the source of their **food, fiber, flowers, environmental studies, growing plants and raising animals**.

Displays and exhibits feature commodities and special areas of interest by volunteers, organizations, agencies and businesses to assist in the education of students about the exciting role agriculture plays in our modern lives.

Schools are encouraged to arrange field trips for either Tuesday or Wednesday. **Reservations are a must!** Reservations can be made by completing the enclosed form and faxing to 544-7452 or mailing to Sonoma County Farm Bureau, 970 Piner Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. **Reservations are due no later than Feb. 27, 2015.**

Every class completing a registration form will be guaranteed a visit to Ag Days on the date selected. Farm Bureau will notify each teacher by fax or e-mail that their registration form has been received.

Please provide a fax and e-mail address on the registration form. Additional information including parking and drop-off instructions will be sent after reservations close on February 27, 2015.

Ag Days Awards Dinner

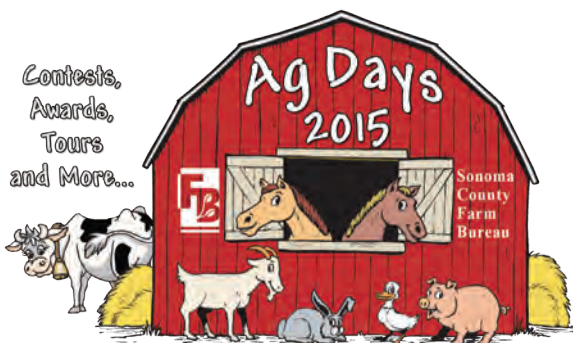
All contest winners will be honored at the Ag Days Awards Dinner!

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

5:30 p.m.

Grace Pavilion, Sonoma County Fairgrounds
1350 Bennett Valley Rd Santa Rosa, CA 95404





2015 Contest Theme: “Sonoma County - Farm Powered”

Contest Rules:

- **Open to all Sonoma County Schools, grades K - 6 and Special Education.**
- **All work must be students original work/ideas.**
- **No company logos or slogans to be used.**
- **Entries must pertain to the theme.**
- **Winners will be contacted and honored at the Ag Days Awards Dinner, Tuesday, March 17, 2015, beginning at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Awards Program, Sonoma County Fairgrounds.**
- **Ag Days Student Contest Entries delivered between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on February 10 - 13, 2015 to Sonoma County Farm Bureau, 970 Piner Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.**



Bookmark Contest

Rules: One bookmark per student. Bookmarks must be 2” x 6” and relate to the theme. Bookmarks must include school, class, student’s name, address, phone, grade, and teacher’s name on the entry.



Essay Contest

Rules: One essay per student. Essay must be a minimum of 50 words and a maximum of 150 words and be based on the theme. Essay must include school, class, student’s name, address, phone, grade, and teacher’s name on the entry.



Poster Contest

Rules: One poster per student. Posters may be no smaller than 8 1/2” x 11” and no larger than 12” x 18”. Posters will be judged for sincerity, originality and relevance to theme. Poster must include student’s name, school, address, phone, teacher’s name, and grade on poster back.



Farm Photography Contest

Rules: One color photograph per student. The photograph must depict a Sonoma County farm scene and relate to the theme. Photos must be at least 5 by 7 inches but no larger than 8 by 10 inches. No mats or frames. Photos will be judged on angle, lighting, color, contrast, viewpoint and technical ability. On the back of each photograph please include the student’s name, school, grade, address, phone number and teacher’s name.

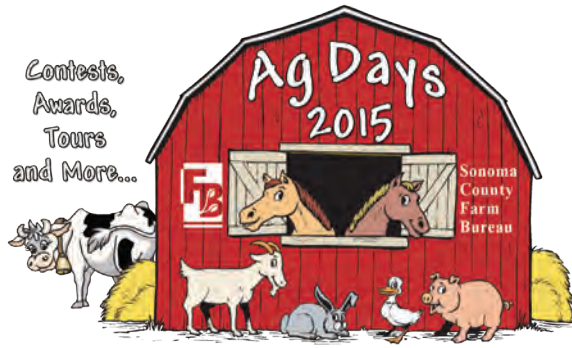


Decorate-A-Grocery Bag Contest

Rules: One decorated bag per student. You can use a paper bag or cloth bag from a grocery store or make a shopping bag of your own. Then let your imagination run wild and decorate the bag based on the theme. The decorated bags will be judged on originality, craftsmanship, creativity and adherence to theme. Each entry must have the student’s name, school, address, grade, phone and teacher’s name.



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Mural Contest



Rules: One mural per class. Murals must be 3' X 6' and have three reinforced holes at the top for hanging. No company logos or slogans may be used. Murals will be judged for ideas, originality, and relevance to the theme. Murals must include school, class, address, phone, grade and teacher's name on the entry.

Scarecrow Contest



Rules: One scarecrow per class. Scarecrows may be any size (child or adult-sized). Entries must be one piece, sturdy enough to withstand transport and weigh not more than 40 pounds and no taller than 72 inches. Entries will be judged for originality and sincerity. Farm Bureau reserves the right to disqualify scarecrows deemed inappropriate. All qualified entries will be exhibited at Ag Days. Each entry must include school, class, address, phone, grade, and teacher's name attached to the scarecrow.

Farm Video Contest



Rules: One video per class, student or group of students. This can be a class, individual or group project. The video must depict a Sonoma County farm, agricultural processing facility, farmer or farm family. The video must relate to the theme. The video should be no more than five minutes in length. The videos will be judged on content as well as visual appeal, sound and technical ability. Please submit your videos on a DVD or flash drive. Each entry must have the school or student's name, address, grade, phone and teacher's name.

Awards

Scarecrow, Mural and Farm Video Contests: Ribbons and \$25 will be awarded to each grade's 1st place winner. The grand prize winner, selected from first place winners, will receive a plaque and \$50 in total prize money. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each categories. **Categories: K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and Special Education.**

Bookmark, Essay, Poster, Farm Photography and Decorate-A-Grocery Bag Contests: Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category. The grand prize winner, will be selected from first place winners and will receive a plaque and \$50. **Categories: K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and Special Education.**

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5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, 2015

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Please note: Teachers can pick up entries at the Farm Bureau office beginning March 25, 2015.

All entries must be picked up by April 17, 2015.



Sonoma County Farm Bureau Ag Days 2015 School Tour Registration Form



(One Registration Form Per Class / Teacher)

Teacher's First Name: _____ Teacher's Last Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Number of Students: _____ Number of Teachers: _____ Number of Parents: _____

School Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Date Attending: _____ Tuesday, March 17 _____ Wednesday, March 18

Contest Entries

How many entries will you be submitting in each area?

- Bookmark Contest _____
- Essay Contest _____
- Poster Contest _____
- Mural Contest _____
- Farm Art Contest (Scarecrow) _____
- Farm Photography Contest _____
- Farm Video Contest _____
- Decorate-A-Grocery Bag Contest _____

Return of Entries

Please Note: All entries may be picked up at the Sonoma County Farm Bureau office beginning March 25, 2015.

All items must be picked up by April 17, 2015.

Fax or Mail this form to So. Co. Farm Bureau no later than Feb. 27, 2015. Fax: 544-7452

Tour Information

Ag Days Tours for K - 6 students are available Tuesday, March 17 and Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa.

Teachers, choose a day to bring your class. Exhibit area open 9:00 a.m. to noon each day. Farm Bureau will notify each teacher by fax or e-mail that their registration form has been received. Plan to attend Ag Days on the date selected.

Fax forms to: 544-7452 or mail to: SCFB, Ag Days 2015, 970 Piner Rd., Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

Classes are encouraged to bring sack lunches and enjoy a leisurely lunch on the lawn or picnic area.

We invite classes to spend a great day with us!