



Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs & Shows Judging School

Spring Judging School

Saturday, April 4, 2020
Hagerstown Community College
Career Programs Building
11400 Robinwood Drive
Hagerstown, Maryland, 21742

You are invited to attend the Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows (MAAFS) Judging School Spring session in Washington County, MD. Participants should have some knowledge of the subject area they plan to register for, and are encouraged to bring items to be discussed in the class. Following are the class offerings. In addition, attached are the current MAAFS Judging School guidelines, outlining the requirements for Judging School participants.

Tentative Schedule:

8:30 – 9:00 am – Registration/Light refreshments
9:00 – 9:15 am – Welcome
9:15 – 10:30 am – Session I
10:45 – 12:00 pm – Session II
12:00 – 12:30 pm – Lunch
12:45 – 2:00 pm – Session III
2:15 – 3:30 pm – Session IV

Registration Deadline – March 18th

Registration Fee: \$30

Check payable to: MAAFS

If you would like to be removed from the Judging School list, please contact Laura Kefauver at 443-604-4926 or maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com.

Directions to the College: <http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/about-hcc/our-locations/hcc-main-campus/map>

Link to campus map: <http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/1707-campus-map.pdf>

Area Hotels *(for informational purposes only)*

Hampton Inn, 1716 Dual Highway, Hagerstown, MD -- 301-739-6100

Comfort Suites, 1801 Dual Highway, Hagerstown, MD -- 301-791-1800

Country Inn and Suites, 17612 Valley Mall Road, Hagerstown, MD -- 301-582-5003

No registrations accepted after March 18th

Mail check & registration form to: MAAFS, Laura Kefauver, 11618 Big Spring Road, Clear Spring, MD 21722

We look forward to seeing you April 4th.

Email: maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com ♦ Website: www.maafs.com

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Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If applicable, would you like to receive Judging School information by email? Yes or No

Please identify your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice for each session. *If not, you will be assigned a class if needed.

Confirmation of receipt of registration/payment will be sent after registration closes.

**Class confirmations to be sent prior to the Judging School*

**Instructors are subject to change*

Session I 9:15-10:30am	Session II 10:45-12:00pm	Session III 12:45-2:00pm	Session IV 2:15-3:30pm
___ Baked Goods - <i>Cake Decorating</i> Instructor: Cindy Long	___ Wine Instructor: Larry Elleston	___ Food Preservation Instructor: Shauna Henley	___ Baked Goods - <i>Cookies</i> Instructor: Abby Glassberg
___ Needle Arts - <i>Knitting</i> Instructor: Nita Armstrong	___ Weaving Instructor: Barbara Diefenderfer	___ Rugs Instructor: Susan Feller	___ Felting Instructor: Alicia Clugh
___ Interview Judging/Ethics - <i>This is a 2 hour class.</i> <i>Participants will attend this class in session 1 and 2.</i> Learn techniques to provide feedback when interacting with exhibitors and judges. Instructor: Kunni Biener		___ Flower Arranging Instructor: TBA	___ Fashion Revue Instructor: Laura Kefauver

A box lunch is provided by Hagerstown Community College. Please select a box lunch choice:

___ Turkey ___ Roast Beef ___ Garden Salad

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Rules and Guidelines for Participants of MAAFS Judging School

Purpose

To train and qualify indoor exhibit judges for local fairs and shows.

Objectives

1. To provide training, using specific criteria, to perform critical analysis that will bring about uniformity and consistency in judging indoor exhibits.
2. To provide training and affirm competence for perspective judges consisting of an Association approved curriculum.
3. To develop a pool of qualified judges.

Levels of Judges

Novice: In the process of completing program requirements in the prescribed curriculum.

Qualified: Having successfully completed judges' training and field experience.

Instructor: Qualified judge who has completed instructor training and conducted one or more judging school classes.

Steps to Attain Qualification

1. Attend judges' training schools.
2. Complete three segments in the same subject area by different instructors. Example ~ 3 separate classes of crafts with different instructors.
3. Provide written permission to be placed on a judges list that is made public.
4. Judge at a minimum of 2 fairs or shows with another judge. (You should not judge alone)
5. Provide documentation to MAAFS Judging School of the dates judged.

Until all five steps have been completed you will be considered a Novice judge.

Steps to Retain Qualification

During a two-year period:

1. Judge at a minimum of 2 fairs or shows and provide documentation to MAAFS Judging School.
2. Attend at least 1 class in the qualified subject matter at a MAAFS Judging School.

Recognition

Participant will receive a subject area pin following the receipt of documentation. A form will be provided by Judging School coordinators.

Re-certification

If you do not attend within a 2 year period, you must take 3 refresher classes in each category that you are qualified to judge in.

Responsibility

1. Keep a notebook of handouts from each instructor as a future reference.
2. Keep a list of the classes you have taken.

Timeline for Judging School

Spring~ before fairs and shows begin ~ Saturday

Fall ~ after fairs and shows are over ~ Saturday

Why you should not judge at your own fair

It is recommended that you do not use your own judges, due to a conflict of interest.

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