



Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs & Shows Judging School

Spring Judging School

Saturday, April 20, 2024
Frederick Fairgrounds
Buildings 12 & 13
797 East Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21705-1998

You are invited to attend the Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows (MAAFS) Judging School Spring Session. 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. Session offerings are on the registration form. Included are the current MAAFS Judging School guidelines, outlining the requirements for Judging School participants.

Tentative Schedule:

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

Frederick Fairgrounds Information:

Refer to separate document - *Spring 2024 Fairgrounds Info*

Registration:

Deadline – April 6th

Email contact information and session choices to maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com - please do not mail

Registration Fee:

Collected April 20th - please do not mail registration fee

Payment by Cash/Check (preferred) - \$30 Check made payable to “MAAFS”

Payment by Credit Card - \$32

Morning Refreshments/Lunch:

Morning Refreshments/Lunch will be provided. If you have certain dietary restrictions, please bring your own food. Dietary restrictions cannot be accommodated.

We look forward to seeing you April 20th.

Laura and Carrie

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Email Completed Registration Form to: maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com

No registration accepted after April 6th

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

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

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

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

**Class confirmations sent after registration ends and a few days prior to the Judging School*

**Instructors 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 - Pies Instructor: Rachael Darby	<i>All participants will attend this session</i> Instructor: David Gordon	___ Baked Goods – <i>Candy</i> Instructor: Alicia Clugh	___ Baked Goods – <i>Cookies, Bar Cookies, Brownies</i> Instructor: Donna Hill
___ Beer Instructor: Bill Heverly, BJCP Certified		___ Weaving Instructor: Elaine Parry	___ Needle Arts - <i>Knitting</i> Instructor: Karen Witt
___ Spinning Instructor: Nancy Norris		___ Woodworking Instructor: Steve Roznowski	___ Wine Instructors: Cynthia McGee-Rowe & John Zeigler

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Fairgrounds Information:

Buildings: 12 (Youth Building) & 13 (Commercial Building) - **the day begins in Building 12**

Parking: Enter the Fairgrounds at Gate #3 on Monroe Avenue

Directions:

GPS Address - 797 East Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21705-1998

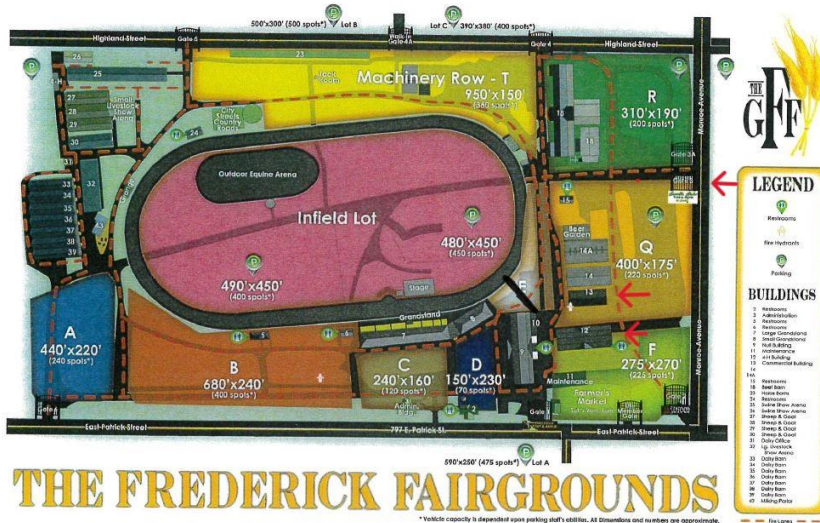
From Baltimore: Take I-70 West to exit #56, East Patrick Street. Follow directly to the fairgrounds. Make a right onto Monroe Avenue to Gate #3.

From Washington DC: Take I-270 North to exit #32, I-70 East to exit #56, East Patrick Street. Make a right at the end of the exit and follow straight. Make a right onto Monroe Avenue to Gate #3.

From Hagerstown: Take I-70 East to exit #56, East Patrick Street. Make a right at the end of the exit and follow straight. Make a right onto Monroe Avenue to Gate #3.

From Gettysburg, PA: Take Route 15 South to Frederick, use Baltimore I-70 East to exit #56, East Patrick Street. Make a right at the end of the exit and follow straight. Make a right onto Monroe Avenue to Gate #3.

Map of Fairgrounds:



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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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