

DEPARTMENT – O-52 – Small Engine Contest & Lawn Tractor Contest

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Entries must be completed on line at www.carrollcountyfair.com Entry fees need to be paid by credit card only. Must sign up for each contest. **No late entries** will be accepted.

Due to proposed Maryland budgetary constraints that are beyond the control of the Carroll County 4-H and FFA Fair Board, Inc., the Board reserves the right to withhold a portion of premium monies, up to and including all of an exhibitors earned premium payment, for the 2025 4-H and FFA Fair.

A 4-H or FFA member must be enrolled in a small engine or science project in order to enter the Small Engine Contest and Lawn Tractor Contest at the Carroll County 4-H and FFA Fair.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Pre-registration is required to participate in the demonstration, written and driving parts of the contests. Any Contestants showing up with **no Demonstration** can not participate in the Small Engines Contest. No Power Point Presentation, there is no Electric at the Contest.
2. Contestants **MUST** be checked in by 10:30 am on the day of the contest
3. The **Lawn Tractor Contest** will consist of:

Juniors: written examination and small engine parts identification

Intermediates & Seniors: written examination, small engine parts identification, and lawn tractor safety knowledge and driving skills.

****Lawn tractors will be provided for the driving part of the contest.**

4. The **Small Engine Contest** will consist of:

All Age Groups: written examination, small engine parts identification, and a demonstration / visual presentation (15 minutes maximum, 5-10 minutes preferred)

5. Scores for all parts of the contest will be combined when determining individual placing. Lowest score places highest.
6. Driving order for the contest will be assigned by the Superintendent according to the event participant listing provided from the entry form. **All out-of-county participants** will follow the Carroll County 4-H participants for judging and practice only. No placing's will be assigned. Adults accompanying the out-of-county participants may be asked to assist with running elements of the contest.
7. Designated judges will preside over the event and their decisions will be final. Contestants must abide by the rules and regulations. Any judge may disqualify a contestant because of unsafe practices or act unbecoming of a 4-H or FFA member. Participants must be physically capable of operating the tractor without help from others or by bypassing the tractor safety system.
8. Premiums:
1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$9.00, 3rd - \$8.00, 4th - \$7.00, 5th place and below: \$5.00

Section 001: Lawn Tractor Contest**Classes:**

- Class 1001 Junior
- Class 2001 Intermediate
- Class 3001 Senior

Section 002: Small Engines Contest**Classes:**

- Class 1002 Junior
- Class 2002 Intermediate
- Class 3002 Senior

Section 003: Special Awards**Lawn Tractor**

- Class 1003 Champion & Reserve Junior - Rosette and Award
- Class 2003 Champion & Reserve Intermediate - Rosette and Award
- Class 3003 Champion & Reserve Senior - Rosette and Award

Small Engine

- Class 1005 Champion & Reserve Junior – Rosette and Award
- Class 2005 Champion & Reserve Intermediate – Rosette and Award
- Class 3005 Champion & Reserve Senior – Rosette and Award