

Guidelines

Farm Expo 2023 Outstanding Junior Farmer of the Year Award Presented by Kubota

In association with the Future Farmers of America Programs of Tennessee -Virginia

Introduction and Purpose:

The purpose of this program is to recognize exemplary efforts of our junior farmers in Northeast Tennessee-Southwest Virginia, specifically in the counties of Lee, Scott, Wise, Russell, and Washington in Virginia, and Hawkins, Sullivan, Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Johnson, and Greene in Tennessee. We are looking for those farmers who can be identified as having a real “heart” for farming. The identification, selection, and recognition will be a joint effort of the Future Farmers of America in Northeast Tennessee – Southwest Virginia, and Six Rivers Media (parent company of Kingsport Times News and Johnson City Press). In that effort, Six Rivers Media invites you to support farmers by participating in the Junior Farmer of the Year Award program. You are invited to nominate outstanding farmer(s) from your county to compete for this award.

The award selection will be presented at Farm Expo 2023, to be held at Bristol Motor Speedway – South Building the weekend of February 4 – 5, 2023. The announcement will be made on Saturday, February 4, on the Farm Expo Main Stage. Your support is critical to the success of this program. The eligibility guidelines are listed below, and the nomination form is enclosed. **The completed nomination form must be received by December 20th, 2022, at the address given below.**

Eligibility:

To be eligible for this award, the producer must meet the following guidelines:

- a) The Junior Farmer must be in the counties of Lee, Scott, Wise, Russell, and Washington in Virginia, or Hawkins, Sullivan, Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Johnson, and Greene in Tennessee.
- b) The Junior Farmer must show exemplary efforts to becoming a farmer and serving his community.
- c) The Junior Farmer should be open to doing an interview with judges.

Nominations:

- a) The person nominating must include the attached nomination form and a typed or handwritten narrative describing why this farmer should be nominated.

b) Please return the completed form by December 20th, 2022, to:

Farm Expo 2023
Outstanding Future Farmer of the Year Award
Attn: Hayley Potter
701 Lynn Garden Drive, Kingsport TN, 37660

Or complete and email the nomination to hpotter@sixriversmedia.com

Should you have any questions, please call Hayley Potter at (815) 975.5000.

***This award program is open to all farmers without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, age, religion, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, or family status.

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Nominee Information
(#1 of 2 required items for nomination)
All information reported and received is confidential.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail _____

School in attendance: _____

How many acres would they like to have: _____

How they have stood out as a Junior Future Farmer _____

What kind of farmer do they want to be _____

Amount of acreage in crops do they want _____

Description of crop(s) _____

Other _____

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Nominee Information
(#2 of 2 required items for nomination)**

Tell Your Story

(The story should include information that would strengthen the nomination. Please include photos, awards, etc.)

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Nominee Information
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**Tell Your Story (continued)
(Please sign and date as requested below to complete this nomination)**

Signature of Nominee/Date

Signature of Person Nominating/Date