



# Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs & Shows Judging School

## Spring Judging School

Saturday, April 27, 2019  
Montgomery County Fairgrounds – Heritage Building  
16 Chestnut Street, Gaithersburg, MD 20877

You are invited to attend the Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows (MAAFS) Judging School Spring session in Montgomery 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.

**Important Information:** Judging School will be held in the Heritage Building and Building 2 on the Fairgrounds.  
**The day will begin in the Heritage Building.**

### 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 31<sup>st</sup>**

**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](mailto:maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com).

Directions: From I-270 take Exit 11 (Montgomery Village), make a right on Route 355 South, make a right on Chestnut Street. Fair entrance on the right.

**No registrations accepted after March 31<sup>st</sup>**

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

We look forward to seeing you April 27<sup>th</sup>.

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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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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*

<b>Session I 9:15-10:30am</b>	<b>Session II 10:45-12:00pm</b>	<b>Session III 12:45–2:00pm</b>	<b>Session IV 2:15-3:30pm</b>
___ Cheese 101 Instructor: Alicia Clugh	___ Baked Goods - <i>Cookies</i> Instructor: Mary Ellen Arbaugh	___ Baked Goods - <i>Quick Breads</i> Instructor: Donna Hill	___ Food Preservation Instructor: Donna Hill
___ Fruits and Vegetables Instructor: Wendy Dilworth	___ Booths and Banners Instructor: John Richards	___ Crafts Instructor: Ann Richards	___ Needle Arts – <i>Crocheting</i> Instructor: Nita Armstrong
___ Spinning & Weaving Instructors: Elaine Parry and Bonnie Frederick	___ Woodworking Instructors: Ed Hogan and Paul Leatherman	___ Educational Posters Instructor: Renee Baccus	___ Clothing Instructor: Breanne Lippy

Morning refreshments and lunch are provided by the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. Please list any dietary restrictions (i.e. gluten, dairy, etc.). If possible, attempts to accommodate restrictions will be made.

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*Please do not use staples, tape, or paperclips to attach your check to the registration form.*



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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 ~ Friday in conjunction with MAAFS convention

### **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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