



## Ag Day 2019

In 2018, over 800 4<sup>th</sup> graders from Grand Island Public and Northwest Public schools actively participated and enjoyed the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce's Ag Day! This day is dedicated to exposing elementary school students to the wonderful world of agriculture. Last year, children were able to experience exhibits such as: Plant displays of the six grains raised in Nebraska, Central Platte Natural Resource District, Nebraska Corn Board, UNL Department of Entomology, Raising Nebraska, Midwest Dairy Association, Nebraska Cattle Women, wool spinning and weaving, and 4-H/Hall County Extension. The students also enjoyed demonstrations performed by a local horse farrier, a horse trainer and a sheep shearer. In addition they were able to touch and feel piglets, meat goat and kids, sheep and lambs, horse, a dairy calf, beef cow and calf, and chickens!

The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Ag Day is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at Fonner Park; we are anticipating this year's event to be a huge success, but we need your help! Our goal is to have each year's Ag Day be better than the last, but your participation is vital. Please consider participating in this year's Ag Day. The enclosed form can be completed indicating your participation and returned to the contact information notated on the form.

The Ag Day format will be the same as the past 19 years. The morning session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and run until 11:30 a.m.; the afternoon session will run from 11:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Due to the tight scheduling, a quick lunch will be provided for you on site, courtesy of the Grand Island Area Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Committee.

As in the past, concourse exhibitors are to be set up and ready by 8:00 a.m. on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Doors will open at 7:00 a.m. for you to organize your booth. The first group of students will arrive at 8:20 a.m. Set-up may also be arranged for the afternoon prior to the event. Please call or e-mail me to make arrangements.

Presenters in the concourse of Fonner Park can expect approximately 25-40 students per group attending your 10 minute presentation before rotating to the next presenter. There will be several groups in succession, exact scheduling will be provided to exhibitors that morning.

Red Barn presenters and those bringing livestock will also need to be ready by 8:00 a.m. Red Barn demonstrations are presented 4 times (twice in the morning and twice in the afternoon) to approximately 200-250 students each time.

I look forward to seeing you on March 26, 2019! Please send the following registration form to the contact information located at the bottom of the form. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (308) 379-7191 or email at [gjagday@gmail.com](mailto:gjagday@gmail.com). Again, we hope to have you participate in Ag Day 2019. Please let us know by Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup> if you are able to participate. You are what makes Ag Day the successful, educational event it has become!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Annette Schimmer".

Annette Schimmer  
Grand Island Chamber of Commerce  
Agricultural Committee Ag Day Chair



## Ag Day 2019 Presenter Registration Form

March 26, 2019  
Fonner Park

This form is to confirm your participation in Ag Day to be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 from 8:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m. at Fonner Park in Grand Island, Nebraska. Plan your arrival and set-up time based on your previous experience. The exhibit time-table is pretty fast paced!

A complimentary lunch will be provided to you, in appreciation from the Ag Committee. Please indicate the number of lunches are needed for your organization presenting at Ag Day.

Thank you for the important work you do for the youth in our community. We strongly support efforts to educate our youth on the importance of agriculture and our economy. We are very appreciative of your time and contributions in this fashion.

- YES! I plan on participating in Ag Day 2019 on March 26, 2019.  
 No, my organization does not wish to participate in Ag Day 2019.

Please order this many lunches for my organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please fill out and return this form by Friday, February 8, 2019 to:***

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