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AGRICULTURAL FAIRS JUDGING TRAINING

The Department of Agricultural Resources (DAR) is pleased to offer an Agricultural Fair Judging Training to be held in Western Ma. In order to be a **Certified Judge for Fruits, Vegetables, Canning and Community/ Grange Exhibits**, a judge candidate needs to attend an instructional training as well as take a test based on the information presented at the instructional training.

The information covered will be based on *the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Blue Book*. To become a Class One Certified Judge, the judge candidate will be required to pass the test with a score of 80% or higher. To become a Class Two Certified Judge, the judge candidate will be required to pass the test with a score of 80% or higher as well as mentor a Massachusetts Certified Agricultural Fair Judge(s) to at least three (3) agricultural fairs held in Massachusetts within 18 month from the date of passing the test.

Training Location and Details:

Saturday, February 27th, 8 am: Young Building conference room at the Eastern States Exposition Fairgrounds, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield. **No snow date**

Schedule for the Day

8:00 am -8:30: Registration

8:30 am - 10:00: Instructional Training for Certification Test

10:00 am -10:15: Break

10:15 am -11:45: Instructional Training for Certification Test

11:45 am -12:15 pm: Lunch Break - **Lunch is not provided; plan to bring your own or money to order pizza.**

12:15 pm -1:45: Certification Test

2:00 pm -2:45: Animal Health Rules and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) presented by DAR, Division of Animal Health.

3:00 pm- Adjourn

To register fax or email the registration form to the attention of Julia Grimaldi, fax: 617-626-1850 or email: julia.grimaldi@state.ma.us. Questions: 617-626-1763. **Registration Deadline is Wednesday, February 24th**

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Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Email address (required): _____

Phone Number (required): _____

Agricultural Fair Affiliation (if any): _____

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