

**MARION COUNTY AGRICULTURE
AG CHALLENGE OF CHAMPIONS CONTEST**

Sponsored by Straub International of Marion

***Division X - Judging Contests and Special Events: Agriculture
Challenge of Champions***

Superintendent: Mark Meyer

Saturday, June 28, 2 pm Marion High School Ag Ed Building

***Purpose: To choose and recognize our outstanding Marion
County 4-H or FFA Agriculture / livestock oriented youth.***

State Fair Division: ages 16-19

Intermediate Division: ages 11-15

Junior Division: ages 7-10

RULES

1. Each contestant must be certified by County Extension Agent or FFA Instructor as a Marion County student.
2. All FFA & 4-H members may participate, only 16-19 years of age as of January 1 of current year will qualify for the State Fair.
3. The superintendent and committee of the contest will be in charge of contest. They shall have the authority for interpretation of rules. To contact the superintendent, email Mark Meyer: meyermar@usd408.com
4. The contest will take place on Saturday, June 28 at 2 p.m. at the Marion High School Ag Ed Building.
5. No contestants will be allowed to have books or notes, phones or electronics during the contest.
6. While the contest is in session there shall be no communication among contestants.
7. The first place contestant qualifies to participate at the Kansas State Fair. It is up to the contestant to work with the Ag Challenge Superintendent (Mark Meyer) to get entered for the State Fair Contest.
8. Cash awards presented by Straub International of Marion and the Marion County Fair Board on Friday, July 25, at 6:30 p.m at the Pavilion. Winners need to be present to accept their award.

Potential Format of Contest (may be subject to change)

1. Written test with questions concerning total agricultural/livestock industry, farm equipment, farm management and general agriculture.
2. Identification of livestock equipment.
3. Identify breeds of beef cattle, dairy, cattle, sheep, hogs, goats & horses.
4. Identification of concentrate and/or roughage.
5. Identification of different retail cuts of meat.
6. Identification of common crops (either plant or seed)
7. Identification of common weeds.
8. Identification of common agronomic items including deficiency symptoms, fertilizers, inoculants, ag lime, soil probes, etc.
9. Agriculture Mechanics identification of tractor parts.
10. Possible interview on agricultural current event topics, or general agriculture

Determination of ratings: Individual ranking shall be determined by total points of each contestant. Awards - Cash prizes for Seniors,

CASH AWARDS FOR SENIOR DIVISION

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