#WhyIThankAg Photo Contest

Official Contest Rules

Please read these rules before entering the #WhyIThankAg Photo Contest to ensure your photos are eligible to win.

Deadline

The #WhyIThankAg Photo Contest runs from Thursday, November 1st at 12:00am through Friday, November 30th at 11:59pm.

Eligibility

- This photo contest is open to ALL Maryland Farm Bureau members. Maryland Farm Bureau staff and immediate family are ineligible.
- Only digital photos will be considered through our submission system. No hard copy prints will be accepted.
- Entries with text or captions on the photo will not be considered.
- Photos must be taken in one of Maryland's 23 counties.
- Only the person submitting the photo is eligible for the prize. The person submitting the photo should also be the person who took the photo.

Subject Matter

Photo submissions are subjective to the entrant and what they feel agriculture means to them. Images can feature produce from a local produce stand, children visiting an agritourism farm, livestock, crops, outdoor landscapes, nature scenes, harvest, sunrises, sunsets, barns, silos, classic farm equipment, etc. The contest is open to all creative work, so do not feel limited to the suggested items or themes.

How to Enter

Photos should be submitted prior to the November 30th submission date. Multiple entries are allowed. Submissions can be made one by one or all at once. High-resolution pictures are preferred. Image size and resolution will not affect placing as long as the image is not blurry.

Entrants must complete ALL three steps listed below to be eligible for the prize.

- 1. SUBMIT the photo using the online submission form on our website. The submission form can be found at <u>www.mdfarmbureau.com/photo-contest</u>.
- 2. SHARE the photo on social media with a caption using the hashtag #WhyIThankAg.
- 3. TAG Maryland Farm Bureau in the post.
 - a. Facebook: Maryland Farm Bureau
 - b. Instagram: MDFarmBureau
 - c. Twitter: FarmBureauMD

All photos entered are subject to being shared on any of Maryland Farm Bureau's social media platforms. Photos may also be made available on Maryland Farm Bureau's website, mobile app, and at Maryland Farm Bureau's Annual Convention in December.

Judging

Submitted photos will be judged subjectively by attendees at the Maryland Farm Bureau Annual Convention. Voting will take place throughout the event, which lasts from Saturday, December 1st through Tuesday, December 4th. Voting is limited to once per person.

Odds of winning are determined by the number of eligible entries received and by the artistic quality of the entries, as determined by voters in their subjective judgement.

Awards

The winner of the contest will be notified via email no later than Monday, December 10th. The top 3 photos will be announced on social media after notifying the winner. If the winner is unreachable, deemed ineligible, or fails to claim their prize within three (3) days, they forfeit the prize. Maryland Farm Bureau and its representatives, at their discretion, may award the prize to another entrant.

There will be one winner in the contest to receive a \$50 Dungarees gift card. The prize is not transferable. Winning the prize in this contest is contingent upon fulfilling all requirements in these rules.

License

By entering the contest, all entrants grant an irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive license to Maryland Farm Bureau to reproduce, distribute, display, and modify the entries in any media now or hereafter. Maryland Farm Bureau will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such use.

Consent

Participants give MFB express permission to use their entry, city of residence, likeness, name, and related information for promotional purpose without compensation.

Parties submitting photos certify that they have permission of all individuals shown in each photo and all individuals owning property shown in each photo.

Any personal data associated with the photo contest is collected in accordance with Maryland Farm Bureau's <u>privacy policy</u>.

Questions

Please contact Emily Solis at esolis@mdfarmbureau.com or 410-922-3426.