

2025 HALL OF FAME GUIDELINES

Purpose of the Stark County Agriculture Hall of Fame is to recognize outstanding contributions by an individual to agriculture. Annual awards to the Hall of Fame will honor men or women who have made outstanding contributions to agriculture. Couples and or businesses are also eligible, and are considered one recipient, if selected.

Recipients of the awards made in any year may not exceed four with no more than two being posthumous.

Categories:

1. Farmer or breeder- one who has made his/her/their major contribution from the land and the products thereof.
2. Agriculture- related activity- Agri-business / Ag Education / Ag Industry
3. Stark County Agricultural Society board member, Jr. Fair committee member, 4-H advisor, or fair volunteer.
4. Stark County supporter in government, agricultural agency, first responder, etc.

Recipients must have made their major contributions in Ohio and should have had long tenure in their field of endeavor, preferably over 25 years and shall have a solid Stark County connection.

Nominations may be made by any individual or organizations in Ohio by completing a nomination form (add more space as needed and attach with this form) and returning it to the Agriculture Hall of Fame Committee, at the Stark County Fair Office or by email to office@starkcountyfair.com.

All Nominations must be submitted on a properly prepared form. Such forms will be printed and available through the Agriculture Hall of Fame Committee via the Fair, fair offices or fair website.

Selection each year will be made by the Stark County Hall of Fame Committee. The decision of the judges shall be final and is usually completed in mid-July each year. Applicants not selected are retained for review for five years. Nominations may be re-submitted and/or additional information may be added. Annually, following selection, the nomination application will not be returned.

The Stark Co. Agriculture Hall of Fame Committee will cooperate with the Stark County Agriculture Society in arranging a suitable time, place, and method for the awards presentation.

The Stark Co. Agriculture Hall of Fame Committee will be members of the Stark County Agriculture Society and assigned by current board president.

ALL FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE FAIR OFFICE BY JULY 1.

Nomination Stark Co. Agricultural Hall of Fame

Name of Nominee: _____ Phone: _____

Address (if living): _____ Date Born: _____

_____ Birth City: _____

Email: _____ Education Level: _____

Family Contact Person (Circle 1): spouse son daughter

other: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Other family information (For write up) – spouse: _____

Children (in order from oldest to youngest): _____

Category:

- ☐ 1. Farmer or breeder
- ☐ 2. Agriculture- related activity
- ☐ 3. Stark County Agricultural Society Related Activity
- ☐ 4. Stark County supporter

Approximate years of agricultural service in Stark County: _____

What are 2 major agriculture activities for which this candidate is nominated:

1. _____

2. _____

REVIEW ALL THE QUESTIONS BEFORE STARTING TO ANSWER.

1. What contributions the nominee made to Stark County and/or Ohio agriculture:
2. What contributions the nominee has made to the community or church:
3. List what boards, commissions, or organizations the nominee provided leadership and labor to. Include years of services, offices held, committees lead, projects completed, etc:
4. Explain how the nominee's work has affected future generations of agriculturist, such as people who work in ag because of the nominee, companies continued in future generations, inventions, etc.
5. Outstanding personal traits:

As the nominator, I certify the above statements to be true and accurate.

Signed: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Be prepared to provide a photograph of the nominee suitable for enlargements, either with the application or after selection has been secured.

Applications are to be returned to the Stark County Fair Board Office or any board member. If working on an application and not able to meet this date, please contact us to find out when the committee meeting will be held to receive more time.