

MEMORANDUM

TO: Area Commercial Tree Fruit Growers

FROM: Mark Sutphin, Associate Extension Agent, Horticulture  


SUBJECT: **2018 Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit School – February 16, 2018**

DATE: January 19, 2018

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The next meeting of the Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School will be held on **Friday, February 16, 2018**, at the Clarion Inn and Conference Center (formerly the Best Western, Lee-Jackson Inn Banquet Convention Center). This building is located at 711 Millwood Avenue, Winchester, Virginia 22601. The program will begin at 8:30 a.m. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

This session will re-certify you for two years on your Virginia private pesticide license (category 90). The offering also will re-certify for West Virginia credits. In order to receive re-certification credit, you will need to sign in by 8:30 a.m., and sign out at the end of the program.

There will be a \$20 registration fee for the event and will include lunch and morning coffee. To ease registration the morning of the event, we are asking that you **complete and return the enclosed registration form with payment (checks made payable to: *Treasurer, Virginia Tech*) by February 13, 2018**. Walk-in attendees and those not submitting pre-payment, will be charged \$30 at the door. If you have any questions, I can be reached at the Frederick Office or by email: [mark.sutphin@vt.edu](mailto:mark.sutphin@vt.edu).

The agenda for the meeting is included. We look forward to seeing you on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Mark Sutphin, Frederick County Extension, at (540) 665-5699/TDD (800) 828-1120 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to discuss accommodations five days prior to the event.



## 2018 Winchester Regional Commercial

### Tree Fruit Production School

February 16, 2018

#### Attendee Registration Form

**Please return** this form along with your \$20.00 (per person) Attendee Registration Fee, (checks made payable to: *Treasurer, Virginia Tech*) **by February 13, 2018** to:

Virginia Cooperative Extension – Frederick County

107 North Kent Street

Winchester, VA 22601

Farm/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

There will be a charge of \$50.00 for all returned checks.

No refunds will be processed unless we are notified prior to February 13, 2018.

# Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School

February 16, 2018

Clarion Inn and Conference Center, 711 Millwood Avenue, Winchester, VA 22601

- 8:00**            **Registration and Pesticide Recertification Sign-in** (*View Exhibits and Coffee Break*)
- 8:30**            **Welcome and Introductions**  
*Mark Sutphin, Extension Agent, Horticulture - Frederick County*
- 8:45**            **Precautions Regarding New Herbicide Technology in Row Crops**  
*Bobby Clark, Senior Extension Agent, Crop and Soil - Shenandoah County*
- 9:30**            **An Overview of Crop Load Management of Apples, Frost Protection Methods, and Apple Roostocks**  
*Sherif Sherif, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Virginia Tech - Winchester*
- 10:00**           **Sponsor/Vendor Brag Session** (*New products, chemicals, improved technologies, etc.*)
- 10:30**           **Break** (*View Exhibits*)
- 11:00**           **Spotted Lanternfly**  
*Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech - Blacksburg*
- 11:30**           **An Update of the FSMA Produce Safety Rule in Virginia**  
*Erik Bungo, VDACS Produce Safety Program*
- 12:00**           **Lunch** (*View Exhibits*)
- 1:00**            **Grower Panel – Young Growers and Their Journey Back to the Operation and the Family Farm**  
*Moderator: Mark Sutphin, Extension Agent, Horticulture - Frederick County*
- 1:45**            **From the Vault – Pics and Issues Sent to a Tree Fruit Pathologist**  
*Keith Yoder, Professor of Plant Pathology, Virginia Tech - Winchester*
- 2:15**            **An IPM Refresher and Recent Pest Issues in Virginia Tree Fruits**  
*Chris Bergh, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech - Winchester*
- 2:45**            **Spray Bulletin Update/New Chemistries: Regulatory Update and Label Changes**  
*Tree Fruit Extension Specialists*
- 3:30**            **Pesticide Recertification Sign-out and Adjourn** (*View Exhibits*)

