



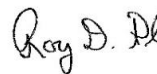
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TO: Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Growers
FROM: Roy D. Flanagan III – Agriculture Extension Agent 
SUBJECT: Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Programs – February 26 & 27, 2019
DATE: January 21, 2019

I hope this letter finds you well and excited about the 2019 strawberry crop. This letter is to inform you of our upcoming **2019 Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Programs on February 26th and 27th**. Our Strawberry Field Walk will be held on February 26th from 12:30 p.m. until dark. Our Evening Program, “Soil Fumigant Applicator Training and Certification” will take place immediately following the Field Walk. Our Strawberry School and Tradeshow is the following day, February 27th, at the Advanced Technology Center from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Additional details are enclosed on the reverse of this letter for your review.

We are currently in the process of pursuing pesticide recertification credits for the Strawberry School from Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia. Please contact me directly if you would like to be notified when they are secured. Also, if you are traveling in from another state and would like me to pursue recertification credits for your state, contact me directly and I will give every effort to make that happen.

For those of you attending from out of town, I have been able to secure a special room rate of \$89 at the Fairfield Inn and Suites [Book your group rate for Mid-Atlantic Strawberries Program](#). Please contact them directly at (757) 422-4885, and **mention that you’re with the Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Programs to receive the group rate.**

Pre-registration is required for ALL of our programs. Please don’t hesitate to contact me directly by phone at (757) 385-4769/office or (757) 641-1434/cell. You can also reach me by email at royf@vt.edu.

Many thanks to you all for helping to make this program a success year-after-year. I look forward to seeing you next month!

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Jill Wright at the Virginia Beach Extension Office at (757) 385-4769/TDD# (800) 828-1120) during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations five (5) days prior to the event.



Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Programs – February 26 & 27, 2019

Pre-registration is required for ALL programs

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Strawberry Field Walk: 12:30 p.m. until Dark

Beginning at Greenbrier Farms, 225 Sign Pine Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23322/

Ending at Hickory Ridge Farm, 2928 Battlefield Blvd. S., Chesapeake, VA 23322

Cost: Free

❖ **Greenbrier Farms**

- Plantings include: Chandler and Sweet Charlie varieties
- Non-fumigated production, various planting dates, single row on small beds with biodegradable mulch experiment, as well as Virginia Tech trials of beneficial bacteria treatments for enhanced growth of plants.

❖ **Hickory Ridge Farm**

- Plantings include: Camarosa, Camino Real, Chandler, and Sweet Charlie
- We will see combinations of pre-plant herbicide, fumigant, and non-fumigant treatments, as well as some small variances in planting dates.

❖ **Speakers:** Drs. Chuck Johnson, Jayesh Samtani, and Allen Straw (confirmed as of 1/15, more may be added)

Evening Program | Soil Fumigant Applicator Training and Cert: 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: 2449 Princess Anne Rd., Bldg. 14, 2nd floor conference room, Virginia Beach, VA 23456

Cost: Free/ Dinner is included (funding provided by Harris Seed and VA Strawberry Association)

- ❖ Soil Fumigant Applicator Training, as per guidelines by EPA, fumigant applicators with private pesticide licenses must receive this training and certification every three years, this will be your opportunity to receive in person training and testing for certification in an in person situation, all other options are web based. (As of today we need to get government shut down lifted to get EPA approval on this)

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Strawberry School and Trade Show: 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Virginia Beach Advanced Technology Center, 1800 College Crescent, Virginia Beach, VA 23453

Cost: Free / Lunch and snacks included

Regional strawberry experts in the industry and leading universities will provide information on fertility programs, insect pests, diseases, fumigation alternatives, overall strawberry production considerations, and a forecast for the 2019 crop. Exhibits from sponsors will be on site.

Updates from:

- ❖ Virginia Strawberry Association and The Southeast Strawberry Consortium

Grower Spotlight:

- ❖ **Bill Stacy**, Stacy Farms, Marietta, Ohio

Speakers:

- ❖ **Dr. Hannah Burrack**, Extension Specialist and Professor
North Carolina State University
- ❖ **Dr. Mengjun Hu**, Assistant Professor- Plant Pathology
University of Maryland
- ❖ **Dr. Charles S. Johnson**, Professor- Plant Pathology
Virginia Tech – Southern Piedmont Agriculture, Research, and Extension Center
- ❖ **Dr. Natalia Peres**, Professor, Strawberry Pathology
University of Florida- Gulf Coast Research and Education Center
- ❖ **Dr. Jayesh Samtani**, Assistant Professor and Small Fruit Extension Specialist
Virginia Tech – Hampton Road Agriculture, Research, and Extension Center
- ❖ **Dr. Allen Straw**, Horticulturist, Southwest Virginia

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Mid-Atlantic Strawberry Programs

February 26-27, 2019
REGISTRATION FORM



Contact Information (Please Print)

Name	
Guest 1	
Guest 2	
Guest 3	
Guest 4	
Business	
Address	
Suite/Apt	
City	
State/Zip	Zip
Home #	()
Mobile #	()
Work #	()
Email	
Website	

numbers are listed ahead of this,
for text, use 757-641-1434
Many Thanks,
Roy D. Flanagan III
ANR Extension Agent-VB

Registration Due February 22, 2019

Strawberry Field Walk Registration February 26 • 12:30 p.m. Until Dark

# Attending	
Cost: Free	Registration requested

Fumigant Applicator Training and Certification February 26 • 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

# Attending	
Cost: Free	Registration required for meals

Registration Submission

Email registration to:
(Include 2019 Strawberry Program in Subject Line)
jwright@vbgov.com or royf@vt.edu
For additional information contact:
Roy Flanagan (757) 385-4769 / royf@vt.edu
Jill Wright at (757) 385-8316 / jwright@vbgov.com

If I have your contact information and nothing is needing to be updated, just drop me an email, text, or call and let us know how many are coming and which programs you are attending. Emails and phone

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Hotel Accommodations

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