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# **2025 CHIPPEWA COUNTY FARM/TRACTOR AND MACHINERY SAFETY CERTIFICATION**



**June 16th—19th, 2025  
8:00am—2:00pm**

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The purpose of this program is to teach youth about tractor, machinery, and farm safety.

Tractor and farm machinery operators need to be knowledgeable and safety-smart. Studies show that many farm accidents are caused by inexperience, carelessness, haste, fatigue, stress, or poor judgment or attitude. These problems, and practical tractor operation, will be discussed by program instructors through the supplementary videos.

With certification, youth ages 12 to 16 will be allowed to operate tractors or self-propelled implements of husbandry on a public road, under the direction of their parent or guardian (state law).

Youth ages 14-15 will be certified to be employed or to work without pay on a farm other than their family farm (federal law). They will be certified in:

- 1) **TRACTOR OPERATION** - Operating a tractor over 20 PTO horsepower. This includes connecting or disconnecting equipment or any equipment parts to or from a tractor.
- 2) **EQUIPMENT OPERATION** - Operating or assisting to operate equipment listed below. This includes starting, stopping, adjusting, feeding, or any activity including physical contact associated with the operation of the equipment listed. This equipment includes: hay mower, hay baler, forage harvester, forage blower, unloading mechanism of a non-gravity-type self unloading wagon or trailer, grain combine, corn picker, auger conveyor, feed grinder, crop dryer, cotton picker, post-hole digger, post driver, non-walking-type rotary tiller, and mobile pea viner.

Upon successful completion of this 24-hour program, the student will receive certification in both the State and Federal Tractor and Machinery Programs. This safety program is directed toward youth who are 12-16 years of age. To enroll, youth must be **at least 12 years of age the day that the class begins.**

The **state certification** is good for four years. The **federal certification** will automatically be issued

when youth reach their 14th birthday.

In order for a youth to successfully complete the program and receive the Wisconsin Safe Operation of Tractor and Machinery Certificate of Training, he or she must:

- Participate in 24 hours of instructional training;
- Pass the written exam with a score of 70% or greater; and
- Pass a driving exam, which demonstrates tractor driving ability in a 2-wheel course with a trailed implement.

Students will also be asked to complete a 15-question identification quiz.

To register for the program, complete the form and return it to

Bloomer High School Ag Department  
1310 17th Ave  
Bloomer, WI 54724

A \$50.00 fee is charged for education materials: Checks should be made payable to Bloomer High School and sent with your registration.

**Important Notes:**

- This course is open to all youth who live within a Chippewa County School District.
- Registration is limited to the first 50 students.
- Please register early to secure your seat.
- Registration closes May 3rd or when registration limit is reached.
- No walk-in registrations will be accepted.
- In order to cover all training material students will be required to complete some course work and driving practice outside of scheduled time.

**Lunch:**

Students will have a working lunch and are asked to bring a packed lunch for each day of the course. Students will not be allowed to leave for lunch.

## Farm/Tractor Safety Certification Student Registration

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent (Guardian Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street/City/Zip)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Check: \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_ Female

Race: \_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_ Black \_\_\_\_ Asian  
\_\_\_\_ Am Indian \_\_\_\_ Hispanic

Residence: \_\_\_\_ Farm \_\_\_\_ Rural Non-Farm  
\_\_\_\_ City 10,000-50,000

My child may need assistance with reading the written exam on test day. \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Yes

My child has experience with operating agricultural machinery \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Yes

Course will be conducted at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair grounds agricultural campus. 225 Edwards St. Chippewa Falls, WI 54757

⇒ As a student, I agree to take part in this special 4-H/FFA program, and I agree to obey instructors and conduct myself safely while in this program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature/Date

⇒ As a parent (guardian) of the above child, I give my consent for his/her participation in this program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent (Guardian) Signature/Date

Fee: \$50.00 per student

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_