

# Cook County Farm Bureau® Foundation

## Raffle for Ag Education

A Raffle Fundraiser to benefit Agricultural Literacy in urban Cook County

**2023**

### Official Rules

**Sponsor:** The sponsor and beneficiary of the Raffle for Ag Education fundraiser is the Cook County Farm Bureau® Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization. The address in which the Foundation may be contacted is:

Cook County Farm Bureau® Foundation  
6438 Joliet Rd.  
Countryside, IL 60525  
708-354-3276  
ccfb@cookcfb.org

The Raffle for Ag Education fundraiser is being conducted pursuant to a raffle license issued to the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation by the village of Countryside. This raffle is conducted pursuant to Illinois law and is void outside of Illinois.

By participating in this raffle, entrants are agreeing to be bound by these official rules and by the decisions of the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation. The official rules are posted online at [www.cookcfb.org/foundation](http://www.cookcfb.org/foundation). The official rules should be reviewed prior to ticket purchase.

**Purpose:** the intended purposes of the proceeds from the Raffle for Ag Education is to provide funding through the Foundation for the Cook County Farm Bureau's award-winning Ag in the Classroom program, fund higher education scholarships for individuals pursuing a future agriculturally related career, and to provide funding for a CCFB Foundation sponsored internship focused on supporting the agriculture literacy program of the organization.

**Purchase of a raffle ticket:** The price per ticket will be US \$50.00. Tickets may be purchased online, through the mail or in-person from an official Foundation representative. We will sell a maximum of 300 tickets. All purchases of raffle tickets are non-refundable.

If less than 25 tickets are sold, the raffle will be canceled, and all money paid will be refunded.

Raffle ticket stubs must contain the following legible information to be deemed valid ... Name (first and last), Phone Number, Address and Email Address. If any of the listed information is missing or illegible, or if full payment does not accompany the ticket stub, the ticket stub will be deemed invalid and will not be eligible to win a prize.

**Drawing:** The Raffle for Ag Education prizes will be drawn on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 7:00 pm as a part of an online drawing ceremony held at the Cook County Farm Bureau, 6438 Joliet Rd., Countryside,

Illinois. Individuals entered into the drawing are welcome to witness the drawing online through a zoom link that will be provided to the email address provided on the ticket stub.

Winners need not be present to win. All prizes must be claimed within 30 days from the drawing.

A list of the winning raffle ticket numbers may be obtained by sending an email request to [ccfb@cookcfb.org](mailto:ccfb@cookcfb.org)

**Prizes:** If the Drawdown is “sold out” (300 tickets sold), the payouts prizes will be as follows...

1<sup>st</sup>: \$2,500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$1,500

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$500

If fewer than 300 tickets are sold, see the adjusted the payout schedule in the Official Rules Addendum.

**\*\*Update as of 6/13/23**

*The Foundation Committee has decided to pay out the full prize amount, even if all tickets are not sold.*

**Eligibility:** An individual must be 18 years or older at the time of entry purchase. Entry purchaser must be a legal resident of the state of Illinois. Internet sales of raffle tickets are open only to legal residents of Illinois physically present in Illinois when the transaction occurs. Only one person per ticket may be designated to receive payment.

Management and employees of the Cook County Farm Bureau and Foundation are not eligible to enter the raffle or win prizes.

**Recording and ticket accounting:** All ticket sales will be recorded in a master Excel document in the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation office upon receipt of payment.

**Notification of winners:** All winners will be notified via telephone, email or US mail using the information provided on the ticket stub within 3 days of the online drawing ceremony referenced above. All winners are required to authenticate ownership of the winning ticket prior to prize being issued. All winners will be issued a check within 5 days of claim. If a selected winner is unable to be located after a period of 30 days from the draw date of the raffle, the selected winner will be determined to have forfeited the prize and the prize will be donated to the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation for the charitable purposes listed above.

**Taxes and IRS rules:** All winners are responsible for any and all federal, state, and local income or excise taxes, fees, assessments and like charges associated with the prize. If required by law, prize winners will be issued an IRS form W2-G for the amount of the prize. Amounts paid for chances to participate in raffles, lotteries or other similar programs are not gifts and, therefore, the price of the

entry does not qualify as a deductible charitable contribution. Check with your qualified financial advisor for additional information.

**Privacy:** By entering the raffle, entry purchasers agree that their information provided in connection with the entry may be used for communications promoting the raffle and future raffles sponsored by the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation. This includes permission to use winner’s first and last name, city, photograph, statements, prize information and voice for advertising and/or promotional purposes without further compensation and without notice, review, or approval into perpetuity. An entry purchaser may subsequently “opt out” by emailing an opt out request to [ccfb@cookcfb.org](mailto:ccfb@cookcfb.org) Other than as provided in this section, and entry purchaser’s information will not be shared with or sold to any other person or entity.

**Waiver/Limit of Liability:** Entry purchasers and winners, by participating and by accepting a prize, release the Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation and Cook County Farm Bureau and any of its respective directors, officers, partners, employees, sponsors, and advertisers from any and all liability with respect to participation in the promotion, possession, use and distribution of the prize awarded.

The Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation is not responsible for tickets that are stolen, lost, damaged, illegible, given away, resold, tampered, delayed, misdirected, undelivered or any other error. The Cook County Farm Bureau Foundation reserves the right at its discretion to disqualify any individual found to be tampering with process or operation or acting in violation of these official rules.

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**Addendum**

In the case that the Drawdown for Ag Education raffle is not sold out, the prize schedule will be adjusted as follows...

ticket pulled	300 (Sold out)	250-299 tixs sold	200-249 tixs sold	150-199 tixs sold	100-149 tixs sold	50-99 tixs sold
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$750	\$600
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$ 750	\$500	\$400	\$300
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$500	\$400	\$350	\$250	\$200	\$150

**A minimum of 50 tickets must be sold for any prize to be awarded**