

# 2020 Kentucky State Fair Largest Pumpkin and Largest Watermelon Contests

## ***Largest Pumpkin Contest***

1. The Largest Pumpkin Contest will take place at approximately 12:00 Noon Eastern Standard time. (It will immediately follow the Largest Watermelon Contest) on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Armory (Please see map included on Kentucky State Fair website)
  - The Armory formerly known as the Army National Guard Recruiter building is located behind the Cracker Barrel on Crittenden Drive. Once you turn on KFEC Gate 4 Drive, make the first left after the Cracker Barrel parking lot. There will be sign directing you where to go.
2. Exhibitors will take pumpkins with them at the conclusion of the weigh-off.
3. All pumpkins must be grown by exhibitor.
4. Exhibitors are limited to one entry.
5. Out of state entries are accepted in this class.
6. Exhibitors can enter via entry form available on our web site at [www.kystatefair.org](http://www.kystatefair.org). Onsite registration is available for an entry fee of \$20.00 per exhibitor.
7. Pumpkins must arrive on a pallet at the Kentucky State Fair on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> between 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Armory. A forklift will be available for loading and unloading.
8. Growers will need to load their pumpkins on a sufficient pallet at the farm for unloading purposes by a KSF forklift upon arrival at the Kentucky State Fair. The Kentucky State Fair will not be responsible for insufficient pallets. Pallets should be able to be moved by a hydraulic hand-jack; the forks on the hydraulic hand-jack are 27" wide and 3 ½" tall.

Prize money will be awarded as follows and will be based on the final, official weight of all pumpkins:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$300
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$250
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place: \$200
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place: \$150
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place: \$100
- 7<sup>th</sup> Place: \$75
- 8<sup>th</sup> Place: \$75

If the 1<sup>st</sup> place pumpkin weighs 1,000 lbs. or more, the exhibitor will receive a \$1.00 per pound for the weight of the pumpkin. This award applies to the 1<sup>st</sup> Place pumpkin weighing 1,000 pounds and above ONLY. If the largest pumpkin does not weigh 1,000 pounds or more to qualify for the \$1.00 per pound, then the largest pumpkin will be awarded \$500 for first place.

**Please note: If the Largest Pumpkin weighs 1,000 lbs. or more, the exhibitor will receive premiums for the \$1.00 per pound and will not receive the \$500, prize money for 2<sup>nd</sup> place through 5<sup>th</sup> place will be adjusted up.**

### ***Largest Watermelon Contest***

1. The Largest Watermelon Contest will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Armory.
  - The Armory formerly known as the Army National Guard Recruiter building is located behind the Cracker Barrel on Crittenden Drive. Once you turn on KFEC Gate 4 Drive, make the first left after the Cracker Barrel parking lot. There will be sign directing you where to go.
2. Exhibitors will take watermelons with them at the conclusion of the weigh-off.
3. All watermelons must be grown by exhibitor.
4. Exhibitors are limited to one entry.
5. Out of state entries are accepted in this class.
6. Exhibitors can enter via entry form available on our web site at [www.kystatefair.org](http://www.kystatefair.org). Onsite registration is available for an entry fee of \$20.00 per exhibitor.
7. Watermelons must arrive at the Kentucky State Fair on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> between 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Armory. (Exhibitors will be sent a map and directions.)
8. Prize money will be awarded as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place is \$100
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place is \$75
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place is \$50
  - 4<sup>th</sup> place is \$25