

July 7, 2025

Our planning team, made up of representatives from seven local organizations & businesses, is incredibly excited about plans for **Day on the Farm 2025!** This year's event will take place on **Thursday, September 18, 2025** at Sylvester Ranch.

Day on the Farm showcases the commitment of our community to instill an appreciation for agriculture in the youth of Franklin County. In 2024, we had close to 400 3rd Grade students, teachers, and guests from throughout Franklin County experience unique facets of agriculture: Soybeans, Dairy, Wildlife Management, Livestock Care & By-Products, Equine Health, Conservation, Veterinary Science, Farm Equipment, and Farm to Table Exploration. As always, Sylvester Ranch/Mustang Seed was a very gracious host going above and beyond to make sure the venue was set up for the big event. The interaction between the elementary students and the youth from the 3 High School FFA Chapters (Ottawa, Central Heights, West Franklin) and 2 High School FCCLA Chapters (Ottawa and Central Heights) was also a tremendous benefit.

This event is truly a team effort with everything from planning, facilitating, and funding. For the past 5 years, we've been fortunate to have nearly 20 local sponsors who made it possible to offer this event free of charge to every 3rd grade student and teacher throughout Franklin County. And we're asking for your help to do it again in 2025! Any **financial sponsorship of \$200 or more** by a business or individual will get their **logo on the back of the t-shirt** that is worn by all volunteers that day (and all over the county for many years to follow).

If you or your business would like to **make a financial contribution to Day on the Farm 2025**, please make your check out to Franklin County Farm Bureau Association with Day on the Farm 2025 in the memo line, and mail to 112 W. 17th St Ottawa KS 66067 by **August 20th**. Be sure to also send your high resolution black and white logo (300 dpi or higher) to franklinfb@kfb.org so it can be included on the t-shirts!

It's going to be a great day at the farm!

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