

To: National Weed Science Contest Coaches and Volunteers

From: Bruce Ackley and Mark Loux

Greetings,

The 2015 National Weed Science Contest will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at the OARDC Western Agricultural Research Station near South Charleston OH (about 40 miles west of The Ohio State University). As with past contests, Monday, July 20th will be a travel day. Also on the 20th, volunteers will meet at the site during the day to review the contest plots and finalize preparations, and an orientation dinner will be held in the evening for all participants, to communicate arrangements for the contest. The contest will run from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, followed by an evening awards banquet at the Ohio Union on the main campus of OSU. Included in this e-mail message are: 1) team registration forms; 2) volunteer registration forms; 3) rules for the contest, including weed and herbicide lists; and 4) hotel information. Please return the registration forms to Bruce Ackley by June 19 – his contact info is on the forms.

We encourage you and your students to participate in this year's National Weed Science Contest. The contest is an excellent opportunity for students to learn and interact with other students, faculty, and industry professionals. Please be sure to share this invitation with your students and any colleagues who may be interested in participating. We look forward to seeing all of you at the contest in July.

Respectfully, Bruce Ackley and Mark Loux