The Pennsylvania Soybean Yield Contest is designed to focus farmer attention on agronomic and management skills that will increase soybean profitability.

If you know what it takes to produce great soybeans, you could be a winner in the 2024 PA Soybean Contest. The state is divided into five regions. The top producer in each region be awarded an educational trip to the Commodity Classic.

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

If you would like to enter the 2024 Pennsylvania Soybean Yield Contest, you must register by **September 1, 2024.**

Online registration is available at [www.pasoybean.org](http://www.pasoybean.org).

You may also request a registration form from your local Penn State Extension Educator, or by contacting:

**Montgomery County Extension**
**PA Soybean Yield Contest**
**1015 Bridge Rd, Suite H**
**Collegeville, PA 19426**
**Phone: 610-489-4315**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any bona-fide farmer who farms in Pennsylvania and grows 5 acres or more of soybeans within the state is eligible.

**PRODUCTION:** For the state-wide and regional yield contest winners, participants must use non-irrigated soybeans, but are not restricted as to variety, fertilization, spacing or other cultural practices.

**PRIZES!** In addition to bragging rights, the state champion will receive a trip for two (the winner and one other individual* with a direct financial interest in their farming operation) to the Commodity Classic. (Up to $3,000.)

The top yield winner in each region will receive a trip for the winner to the Commodity Classic. (Up to $2,000.)

**OTHER AWARDS:**
90 Bushel Club plaques will be awarded.

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* Subject to approval by the PA Soybean Board. All decisions of the Board are final. Awards are non-transferable and have no cash value.
CONTEST RULES:

1. Notice of intent to participate must be submitted by September 1, 2024. One entry per farm.

2. A minimum of a 5-acre field located within the physical boundaries of Pennsylvania shall be selected by the grower. Sample must be measured at actual cutting width of the sicklebar on the combine head, skipping two header widths in the field between passes. All end-rows and an equal number of side rows must be removed before starting a supervised harvest. The harvested area must include complete passes through the field (except for field border removal). Harvest reports, grain and soil nematode samples must be submitted and postmarked by November 15, 2024. A thank you gift will be presented to growers for their completed harvest report.

3. A designated representative* (other than the grower) shall:
   a. Measure the test area.
   b. Be present when the test area is harvested.
   c. Supervise weighing on state inspected scales or an approved weigh wagon.
   d. Sign the report.

   The designated representative may be an NRCS (SCS) staff person, Extension employee, Production Credit Association representative, FHA representative, FFA Vocational Ag instructor, bank Ag loan officer, private crop consultant, state/private college agricultural staff member or a retiree from one of these occupations. The representative may have no financial or direct business ties to a company selling agribusiness supplies (i.e., be totally independent).

   *The previous year’s winner MUST have TWO designated representatives when entering the contest following the winning year.

4. Only one entry per farm will be accepted. Pennsylvania Soybean Board members and any designated representative as outlined above are ineligible for prizes.

5. There is no charge for contest participation.

6. Moisture content shall be obtained on a state approved moisture meter.

7. A mandatory seed protein and oil analysis will be paid by the Pennsylvania Soybean Board. Growers should obtain a one pint random sample (collected as the combine is unloading), put it in a plastic bag, enclose it in a box, and send it with the Harvest Report Form. Indicate the grower’s name and address, and that the sample is from the PSB Yield Contest.

8. Acre yields will be calculated on the basis of 13% moisture.

9. Awards for growers: Participants must complete all required forms provided with the application and meet all other requirements as herein stated to become eligible for awards.

   a. The grower in each region who is certified in the contest as having the highest yield per acre of non-irrigated beans in accordance with contest rules will be declared the Yield Champion for that region and will receive an educational prize and a plaque. A State Yield Champion will also be declared.

   b. Growers who are certified in the contest as having 90 or more bushels yield will receive a 90 Bushel Club plaque.

10. Production practices used by participants will be publicized at the time the region winners are announced. Growers may choose to have their results publicized anonymously.

Harvest report forms are available after September 1, 2024 at www.pasoybean.org.

Harvest report forms must be postmarked by November 15, 2024.