

**PLEASE COMPLETE ALL  
REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Please return completed form and payment to:

Gary Wirkus  
Tractor Safety Course  
Colby High School  
PO Box 110  
Colby, WI 54421

Registration deadline is **May 18th**.

*(Please print all information)*

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Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City & Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Age  
(as of January 1, current year)

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Date of Birth (month/date/year)

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

**REGISTRATION FOR THE CLARK COUNTY  
TRACTOR SAFETY COURSE**

- There is a \$20 fee for participants (includes all materials and exam fees). Please make checks payable to **Colby School**.
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If you have any questions please call:

Gary Wirkus                      223-2338  
UW-Extension Office         743-5121

**Class Dates:**

**June 16—19**  
8:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.  
(bring your own lunch)

Youth must attend all class sessions.

There will be no make-up classes.

Written and driving exam will be held on **June 19**.

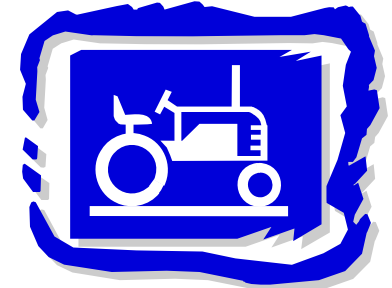
**Site Coordinators:**

Gary Wirkus                      223-2338  
Karen Sipple                      743-5121

**2008  
Clark County  
Tractor and  
Machinery  
Safety Course**

**Colby High School**

**June 16—19**



***An educational program  
to enhance the safety  
knowledge and skills for  
youth operating tractors  
and machinery on  
Wisconsin farms.***

## THE CLARK COUNTY TRACTOR SAFETY COURSE WILL:

- Provide youth between the ages of 12 and 16 with the necessary requirements to be certified for compliance under Wisconsin Act 455.
- Meet the requirements for the U.S. Department of Labor Agricultural Hazards Occupation Order for youth **14-15 years of age** employed on a farm other than their family farm.

## THIS COURSE INCLUDES:

- Hazard recognition and correction
- General farm safety knowledge
- How to approach farm safety with a positive attitude

## TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THIS COURSE, YOUTH MUST:

- Attend all classes—there will be no exceptions.
- Pass both the written and driving exams.

**Wisconsin Act 455 stipulates that the Tractor Safety Course must meet the federal tractor and machinery certification requirements. Therefore, this course will be taught at a level designed for youth 14-15 years old.**

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS COURSE:

- Youth 14—15 years of ages who need the federal certificate of training for employment on farms. This is in accordance with Part 570, Child Labor Regulations, Subpart E-1.
- Youth between the ages of 12 and 16 who will be operating tractors or self-propelled farm machinery on public roads for their own family.
- Youth desiring tractor and machinery safety instructions.
- Class size is limited to **20 youth** (first paid/first serve basis).

## ASSESSING YOUR CHILD'S ABILITY:

There are some physical requirements for completing this course which will be covered in the next section. Before going on to the physical requirements, first ask yourself these questions.

- Is your child able to recognize dangerous situations like driving too fast or turning too sharp?
- Is your child able to think through situations quickly to avoid hazards?
- When given directions does your child follow them?
- Does peer pressure cause your child to show off or attempt things beyond their ability?

## WHO CAN ATTEND / PHYSICAL ABILITIES:

- Youth must be able to sit securely in the operators seat of a tractor with 40-60 horsepower (utility type tractor), fully depress the clutch and reach all of the controls. The tractors used for this course will have seat belts and they will be properly fastened for safe operation.
- Youth should have the strength to shift, steer, and hook-up equipment to the tractor.
- Youth will be asked to complete a driving course. They should be able to control the tractor and an attached two-wheel trailer or implement while looking to see if there is traffic around them.

## PARENT AND YOUTH RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Youth must attend all classes. There will not be any make-up work.
- Youth must take written and driving exam on **June 19**.

An EEO/Affirmative Action employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and ADA requirements.

If you need an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access this program, activity, or service, please contact the program coordinator at 715-743-5121 as soon as possible (10 days is reasonable) preceding the scheduled event so that proper arrangements can be made in a timely fashion.

***Every child is different. Preventing injury to your child may mean saying no now and waiting until their abilities develop.***