FARM SAFETY NOVA SCOTIA

Lloyd Evans Memorial Youth Safety Contest

Lloyd Evans is remembered for many significant contributions to agriculture, with a legacy defined by leadership and unwavering dedication to farm safety. Throughout his life, Lloyd held a number of influential roles, including President of the Annapolis County Federation of Agriculture, the Nova Scotia Grain Commission, Horticulture Nova Scotia, the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture (NSFA) and the Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA). However, some of his most notable contributions were related to advancing farm safety.

As a true safety champion, Lloyd was a driving force behind key initiatives that continue to safeguard farm families and workers across Nova Scotia today. He chaired the NSFA Safety Committee, served on the National Farm Safety organization for nine years, and was an executive of the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association. Not only that, but Lloyd was also instrumental in the establishment of Farm Safety Nova Scotia (FSNS) and the Farm Safety Handbook.

In recognition of Lloyd's dedication to agriculture in general and farm safety in particular, the Lloyd Evans Memorial Award was created. Going forward, the award will be presented to a youth who has shown interest and taken initiative to promote safety awareness, influence their peers, promote best practices and help build a strong safety culture in agriculture—today and for the future. It is intended to recognize, motivate and create future safety leaders in the agriculture industry - just as Lloyd was.

Purpose:

To inspire, recognize and motivate youth who demonstrate creativity, leadership, and initiative in promoting farm safety awareness.

Award Objectives:

- Encourage youth to think critically and proactively about farm hazards and staying safe on or near the farm
- Promote youth awareness in agricultural safety.
- Empower youth to influence positive safety culture within their families, schools, and communities.

Contest Rules

Who can participate?

To be considered for the award, the contestants must:

- Be between 9 and 21years old
- Be residents Nova Scotia.
- Be involved in agriculture (e.g., family farm, 4-H club, school agriculture program, or community activity).

Project

Create your own original video on farm safety content! Your video should feature examples of how to be safe on the farm, raise awareness of safe best practices, or just record yourself giving a safety talk on how to prevent/ avoid common hazards on the farm. Remember to have fun and be creative!

Entry Requirements

- To participate in the contest, entrants or the parents or guardians of entrants (under 18 years of age), as well as all persons included in the video (participants), must complete a consent form
- Video submissions must be the original work of the contest entrant and must not infringe upon or violate any laws or any third-party rights, including, but not limited to, copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret or other proprietary rights and must not lead to any cause of action including libel, defamation, privacy violation, contract breach or tort. All videos are intended for the general public. Therefore, personal, private information should not be included in video submissions. Farm Safety Nova Scotia will not accept videos that are offensive to an individual or organization, rude in tone, abusive, unintelligible or irrelevant to farm safety.

Submission Process:

- Video submissions must be no longer than 2 minutes in length
- Video submissions can made through the contest entry form.
- It is the sole responsibility of the contestant to ensure that their contest submission is received by Farm Safety Nova Scotia before the submission deadline.

Contest Entry Form

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Deadline for Entries

Entries must be postmarked no later than February 15, 2026, to be accepted.

Safety

The personal safety of the individual contest entrant and any other persons involved in making a video submission to the contest must be maintained at all times. All contest participants must be supervised by an adult when producing their video submission. If a video includes depictions of hazardous farm practices, entrants must follow all safety rules and take precautions to prevent injuries and other losses. If filming on a farm site, entrants must obtain permission from farm owners and take all appropriate health and safety precautions.

Evaluation Criteria and Scoring Rubric (Total: 100 points)

Category	Description	Points
Quality	Sound and visuals are clear, and easy to follow.	0–25
Creativity	Demonstrates originality and engaging storytelling in delivering the safety message. The video captures attention and shows a fun or unique approach.	0–25
Effort	Shows commitment, planning, and overall presentation reflect effort and attention to detail.	0–25
Message Relevance & Effectiveness	Clearly relates to topic “preventing harm on the farm” to promote safety awareness. Communicates a strong, practical, and memorable farm safety message that could positively influence others.	0–25

Judges will score each participant, and the scores will be added together for the total score for each participant.

Judging Process

All acceptable videos submitted by **February 15, 2026**, will be judged and winner will be notified by **March 15, 2026**, by either email or telephone. Winners will be selected based on the criteria of quality, creativity, effort, message relevance and effectiveness.

Recognition

The winner will be notified by March 15, 2026, either via email or telephone and will be featured on our social media and website during the Canadian Agricultural Safety Week Celebration March 15-21, 2026.

Prize Information

The winner gets:

- Their name engraved on a plaque as the **Lloyd Evans Memorial Award winner for 2026** and a cash prize of **$250**
- Recognition as the Lloyd Evans Memorial Youth Safety Award winner through our social media platforms.

The plaque stays at the NSFA office. The cash prize can either be picked up at our office or sent via bank transfer to the winning entrant. The winner can decide when they are notified, how they would like to obtain their prize. If no submissions are deemed appropriate, Farm Safety reserves the right not to award any prizes.

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