The turf and ornamentals field day program is designed for all segments of the turf and ornamentals industry — lawn care, athletic fields, golf courses, nursery, landscape, and grounds maintenance. Included on the program are research presentations, problem diagnosis, commercial exhibits, and equipment displays. There will be time to see current research, talk to the experts, and get the answers to your questions.

We hope to see you on Thursday, August 3!

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Turf & Ornamentals Field Day
August 3, 2017

8:00 a.m. Registration (coffee, tea, donuts)
Visit Exhibitors

8:45 Welcome

9:00 Tour Highlights:

- **Turfgrass Weed Control Update** — Jared Hoyle
  New weed control products are entering the turfgrass market. Learn how these products stand up against commonly used products in the industry and the benefit they could have to your weed control program. Also, come see demonstration trials of new ways to use older products.

- **Turf & Ornamental Diseases** — Megan Kennelly
  From leaf spots to root rots, each year brings its own set of plant health problems. We’ll talk about the common diseases and moldy, mildewy hot topics of 2017.

- **Bermudagrass & Zoysiagrass Cultivar Selection** — Jack Fry and Yanqi Wu (Oklahoma State Univ.)
  See the top performing bermudagrasses in the current National Turfgrass Evaluation Program trial and visit with the breeder at Oklahoma State who developed and released Latitude 36 and Northbridge. KSUZ 0802 is a new, fine-textured zoysiagrass that has good quality, fine texture, and is cold hardy - see how it’s doing in Wichita under home lawn and golf course conditions.

- **Using Kansas Mesonet to Improve Accuracy in Landscape Irrigation** — Dale Bremer
  Kansas State University is expanding the number of sites for weather stations across Kansas in their Mesonet network. Learn the basics of how Mesonet data from a site near you can be used to estimate how much water to apply to your turf and landscape.

- **Right Plant, FROM the Right Place** — Jason Griffin
  Green trees should be green! Choosing trees adapted to the stresses of your region is an important first step. Come see the work we are doing on selecting trees well adapted to high soil pH.

- **Prairie Star Flowers** — Cheryl Boyer
  The K-State Research & Extension Prairie Star Flowers bedding plant trial features new cultivars from breeders and growers around the world. Take your time evaluating plant performance in our prairie climate — 136 cultivars are on display (98 in the sun, 38 in the shade).

- **Tall Fescue NTEP** — Steve Keeley
  Breeders are constantly working to release new and better tall fescue cultivars and we have been evaluating these grasses in Wichita. See how they are performing in a side-by-side field test. Some old standbys, such as K-31, are also included in the trial for comparison.

- **Turf & Ornamental Insect Control** — Ray Cloyd
  This stop will discuss turf and ornamental insect pests and new pest control materials that may alleviate problems. Be sure to bring "bug" samples and ask questions associated with pest management.

11:30 Lunch

Credit Hours

Pesticide recertification credit hours for commercial pesticide applicators:

1 hr in 3B and 1 hr in 3A

AND

.25 GCSAA education points

Exhibitors

Equipment exhibitors can set up the day before (August 2). Please contact Christy at (785) 532-6173 if you are interested in exhibiting at the field day on August 3.

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