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Carter County Extension Service to Offer Free Hay Testing

Forage sampling and analysis is the best way to determine the nutritional content and quality of hay. As part of the 2023 East Kentucky Hay Contest, free hay/haylage sampling is available through the Carter County Agriculture & Natural Resources program in conjunction with UK Ag Extension Forages specialists.

The deadline to request testing is September 18th. Ration balancing will also be available for beef, equine and goat enterprises at no charge. Information from your hay analysis can reduce feed costs, increase animal performance, and provide information to improve forage stands.

If you are interested in submitting hay/haylage samples for testing – either for personal use and/or the contest – please contact the office at 606-474-6686 or Rebecca.k@uky.edu to schedule an appointment.

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Upcoming Events:

- The **Grayson Farmer's Market** is open on Saturdays from 9:00 AM until sell out. The market is located in the shed behind the Extension Office. The **Olive Hill Farmer's Market** is located in the Save-a-Lot parking lot and is open on Saturdays and Wednesdays at 8:00 AM and Mondays at 3:00 PM until sell out each day.
- **Ag Advancement Council** – August 28th @ 6:00 PM
- **Little Sandy Beekeepers Association Meeting** – September 5th @ 6:30 PM; Topic: Closing Up for Winter
- **Hike & Learn** – September 7th @ 1:00 PM – Laurel Gorge Cultural Heritage Center