



Mr. John Deere Contest

Lowcountry Strawberry Festival



Sunday, April 6, 2025 – 2 PM

Purpose of Contest:

Boone Hall Plantation and Boone Hall Farms want The Mr. John Deere Contest to be a fun and enjoyable experience for the little boys, their families, and visitors to the Lowcountry Strawberry Festival!

Each contestant will receive a participation recognition prize package, which will be handed out at the conclusion of the contest regardless of the outcome of the competition.

Contest Rules:

1. Entry is for the first 25 boys entered, 3-6 years of age. However, Boone Hall Plantation reserves the right to make exceptions to the above age stated for participation. Entry fee is \$30.00, which will be used to buy the prize packages and awards for the competition. All contestants must have their entry form and fees turned in by Monday, March 31, 2025.
2. The contestants are requested to wear a farmer-themed outfit for the competition. However, we don't want this to be a hardship or a reason for not participating. This part of the contest is designed to add to the fun and excitement of The Lowcountry Strawberry Festival. As an alternative, contestants will be allowed to wear whatever they choose, if the outfit is appropriate and in good taste.
3. The judges will determine the winner of the contest and the judges' decision will be final.
4. All contestants are requested to be present and checked in at the entrance to the festival by 1:00 pm on the day of the competition and stage side by 1:45. The contest will be held at the Boone Hall Farms stage on the festival grounds. A representative from the competition will be on hand at the festival entrance with a list of the contestants at admissions. You will be able to pick up the entry wristbands for the contestant and one parent and/or guardian at that time. The accompanying parent/guardian and contestant will then be directed to the Boone Hall Farms stage area for the competition and given further instructions as needed. Please plan to arrive early as there may be traffic delays for this popular event.
5. Admission for the contestant and one accompanying parent or guardian to The Lowcountry Strawberry Festival is included in the entry fee. Any other family members or friends must pay admission before entering the festival or the competition. No exceptions. Admission is \$15 for adults and children (3 and up) and children 2 and under are FREE with adults.
6. Once the competition is underway, each contestant's name will be called; the contestant will walk across the stage, stand briefly in front of judges, and walk off stage. We will have event staff stationed beside the stage to help the boys on and off the stage. It is preferred that each contestant can walk unassisted across the stage. However, if a child gets confused or has difficulty crossing the stage, he may be assisted with this. We prefer that parents/guardians stay in the audience seating area, but if a boy gets upset and needs help from a family member then that parent or guardian will be allowed to help their child at their discretion. Again, we want this to be fun for everyone!
7. The Winner of the Mr. John Deere Contest will be awarded an exciting prize package and receive a handsome crown that will be his as he will be Mr. John Deere 2025.
8. We are grateful that Abby Watson will oversee the contest this year. Entry fees should be made payable to Boone Hall Plantation. Please mail payment and completed entry form to:

Boone Hall Plantation
Attn: Little Mr. John Deere 2025
1235 Long Point Rd.
Mt. Pleasant, S.C. 29464

Once we receive your entry form and payment, Abby will send you an email confirmation to verify your child's entry into the contest and will provide you any additional details and instructions. If you have any questions, please call Abby at 843-856-5364 9am-5pm weekdays only or email her at: abbyw@boonehallplantation.com.

Thank you!



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Entry Form

Child's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Age of Participating Child: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

1) Does participating child have any serious medical condition or injury that may be affected by this contest?

Please circle: YES NO

If yes, please explain in detail below:

2) Does the child have any allergies?

Please circle: YES NO

If yes, please explain in detail below:

Parent or guardian of the participating child is informed that their child will be required to walk across an elevated stage unaccompanied by parent or guardian to participate in the competition. Parent or guardian of participating child will acknowledge there are risks associated with this part of the event which could include bodily injury if the child were to slip or fall entering the stage, walking across the stage, or exiting the stage area. Parent or guardian is voluntarily entering their child into The Mr. John Deere Contest at the 2025 Lowcountry Strawberry Festival and in doing so, assumes all of these risks. Parent or guardian of the child contestant, upon signing this form, hereby agrees to waive and release Boone Hall Plantation and all its officers, directors, employees, co-sponsors, vendors as well as any of their affiliates and successors from any liabilities of any kind arising from this event. Parent or guardian also gives permission to Boone Hall Plantation and Boone Hall Farms to use photos and video of their participating child for promotional or marketing purposes as needed. Parent or guardian has read all the above rules and agrees to follow them. Parent or guardian also hereby swears that to the best of their knowledge their participating child is physically and mentally fit to compete in this contest.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date