

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS Oct. 1, 2025**  
NOMINATION FORM

# **OHIO AND MICHIGAN Master Farmer Award WORKSHEET**

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Information provided on this form will be used only in the selection of Master Farmers. It will be held in strictest confidence and will not be made public without the candidate's permission.

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Candidate's name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Farm address \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate's date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Years as a farmer \_\_\_\_\_

Percent of income from farming \_\_\_\_\_ Acres owned \_\_\_\_\_ Acres rented \_\_\_\_\_

Total acres operated broken out by commodity \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of off-farm employment , if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

## **Family**

Spouse's occupation \_\_\_\_\_

List names and occupations of children (include spouses if married).

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_ education \_\_\_\_\_ occupation \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Farming Activities** (may be done on separate paper)

A. - When and how did candidate get started farming?

B - What steps have been taken to grow the farm business?

C. - How has the candidate adopted and used technology in their farming operation? What's the most important technological advancement implemented on the farm?

D. – What kind of conservation practices have been implemented on the farm?

E. – Name three key strengths of the operation?

## **Production**

A- Describe the candidate's livestock enterprises, if any.

B - Describe the candidate's cropping practices.

C. If applicable, describe any specialty crops, niche production strategies or value-added initiatives.

## **Leadership**

A - Has the candidate been active in local school affairs, township or county government, civic or community organizations or church? List any activities and offices held.

## Agricultural leadership

A - Has the candidate participated in farm organizations or leadership building activities? List offices held and activities.

B - List any awards or honors presented to the candidate from farm or civic groups.

## Nominator's statement

The Master Farmer Award symbolizes excellence in farming and community activities. Please describe why you feel this candidate should be honored with this recognition. And additional three references (letters of support) are required.

**Signature, address, email, relationship to candidate, and daytime telephone number of nominator:**

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*Return nomination, letters of recommendation and all other qualifying statements before Oct. 1, 2025 to:*  
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