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TAEP - Big Change to Application Process

“To increase program efficiency, the upcoming 2024 TAEP application process will be entirely online. Application and program information will only be available online at the TAEP homepage. The traditional application booklets will no longer be printed or available online. Paper application forms are no longer available to submit. More information at the link below.

<https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/farms/taep/taep-updates-2024-2025.html>



Photo Credit: Michigan State University

Fall Webworms - Unsightly & Largely Harmless

Throughout my travels the past two weeks or so, I've noticed this seasonal pest becoming a little more prevalent and even my 4 year-old has noticed them. Although these defoliators make a showy scene, they're of little concern to the health of your tree as they arrive towards the end of the year after the tree has stored up plenty of energy reserves. Control could be warranted on small newly-planted trees. If within safe reach, the best option would be to use a stick to stir up the webbing (and worms) and place them in a bucket of soapy water for the day. Insecticides application would be risky to the applicator and of little effect as the webbing largely repels liquid. More info on this pest can be found at the link below:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/the-rise-and-fall-of-the-fall-webworm>

DIGITAL LITERACY & TAEP ACCOUNT SETUP

AUGUST 29TH 5:30PM- 7PM
 UT-TSU EXTENSION - 330 JOYCE LN., WINCHESTER, TN

RSVP BY PHONE:
 931-967-2741
 Deadline 8/23/24

**Navigating Computer, Tablet and Phone
 Connecting to the Internet
 Basic Cyber Security
 Creating an Email
 TAEP Signup**



Soybean Disease Highlight - Frogeye Leaf Spot

Frogeye leaf spot (FLS) is a fungal disease that can overwinter on soybean debris and can be introduced on infected seed. Symptoms usually appear during reproductive growth stages and include circular to angular leaf lesions with a purple to dark brown margin around the tan/gray center. Lesions begin as dark water-soaked spots on younger leaves and as they age, centers become ash-gray to light-brown. On the underside of leaves, FLS lesions will have a tan/gray center and if sporulating there will be a dark black area in the center of the lesion where spores are being produced.

Management options include resistance via variety selection and the application of an effective fungicide during reproductive stages. More information at the link below and hyperlinked video above.

<https://guide.utcrops.com/soybean/foliar-diseases/frogeye-leaf-spot/>

- Timely Extension Publications -

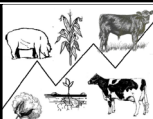
<https://tiny.utk.edu/pub>

- [Seasonal Prices for TN Feeder Cattle & Cows - D39](#)
- [Harvesting, Drying, Handling and Storing Soybeans - PB1912-I](#)
- [Harvest, Handling & Storage of Vegetable Produce - W346-I](#)
- [Garden Planning, Plant Preparation and Planting - W346-B](#)
- [Lawn & Landscape Weed Control for Homeowners - W1068](#)
- [How to be Profitable with a Small Cattle Operation - W1009](#)

Tennessee Market Highlights

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