Field days and tours on ISU Farms-2021

Assuming the pandemic continues to subside as practices and vaccines are implemented; and in full compliance of all current ISU policies regarding covid: in-person field days and tours on ISU farms are allowed in 2021.

Decisions on format, schedules, topics, dates and arrangements will be made locally—by a team of the farm manager and ISU extension/faculty/administrative partner(s) (if applicable).

Also, a virtual state-wide field day on crops and soils will be offered in partnership with ISU ANR Extension Crops Team. Virtual field days and tours are encouraged.

The ISU Farms follow all applicable ISU guidelines regarding COVID-19. ISU Extension provides guidance at:

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/vp/open-iowa

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/vp/files/page/files/guidance and expectations for in-person education and business 1-29-2021.pdf

Field days and tours on ISU Farms -- key points (at this time):

- Outdoors is better than indoors
- 6-ft physical distancing
- Face coverings
- Hygiene and sanitation
- Food—consider pre-packaged or dedicated servers
- No shared tools without sanitation (pens, etc.)
- Registration (pre- or on-site) if contact tracing is needed
- Private events are generally discouraged, but if private events are requested, they are required to be submitted for approval with ISU: https://request.event.iastate.edu

Contact ISU Research Farms, 515-294-5045 with questions.

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