

# Carroll County Conservation District

# The Dirt



Landowner News

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## Welcome!

Welcome to the August edition of **The Dirt**, Carroll County Conservation District's newsletter!

The CAIP and YAIP program is underway! Packets have been mailed.

If you applied and have not yet received your packet in the mail, please contact us to determine your approval status!

## Agency Notes

NRCS - Landowners can apply for fiscal year '27 programs and schedule visits with technical staff.

**Extension** - Upcoming Field Day - 10/3/26  
Opportunities include: drone demonstration, chute-side training, and pasture seeding demonstration. More details to come!

FSA - Program enrollments and farm record updates may be completed at the New Castle or Carrollton offices. FSA staff is in the New Castle office on Mon-Tues and in Carrollton Wed-Thurs.



CARROLL COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Board Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING (DATE CHANGE)

CCCD OFFICE  
214 PARK AVE  
CARROLLTON, KY 41008  
8/27/26 7:00PM

The August CCCD Board Meeting will be held on August 27, 2026 @ 7pm at the CCCD office at 214 Park Ave. Carrollton.

## Program Updates

### Kentucky State Cost Share

State Cost Share program applications are available and accepted during business hours. Application deadline is **October 1 @ 12pm**. This is the final ranking for 2026. Please contact us for assistance and/or a complete list of practices.

### EQIP/CSP

New applications for program year '27 are being accepted continuously. Schedule a visit with our Conservation Technician.

### CAIP & YAIP

CAIP and YAIP packets have been sent. If you have not received yours, please contact us to determine your approval status. YAIP Project/Paperwork Deadline is **11/4/26 @ 4:30pm**. Details for presentation night will be coming soon. Youth are **required** to give a presentation to receive their reimbursement. CAIP Project/Paperwork deadline is **12/2/26 @ 4:30pm**.



## Did you know?

- Monarchs make a 3,000 mile migration journey.
- Milkweed (*Asclepias* species) are the only plant that Monarch caterpillars can eat.
- Kentucky's state butterfly, the Viceroy, uses mimicry (and looks like bird droppings as a caterpillar) to hide from hungry predators.



Ask us about outreach opportunities for your classroom or organization!



## Upcoming Events

Please visit <https://carrollcountycd.com/upcoming-events> to see a full list of opportunities.

- Agroforestry, Organics & Community Food Resilience - August 6, 4-7pm @Sylvatica Forest Farm
- Appropriate Tech Day - August 25, all day, UK Hort Research Farm
- 2026 Summer Forage Tour - August 11, 3pm, Josett Farm, 2319 Mayes Creek Rd, Springfield, KY 40069
- Poultry Processing Training - August 19, 9am, KSU Benson Research Farm, 1525 Mills Ln, Frankfort, KY
- OAK Field Day: Working with Nature and Creativity in Conservation - September 3, 9am-12pm, Loving Farm, Ewing, KY



## CCCD Program Spotlight Art & Writing Contest

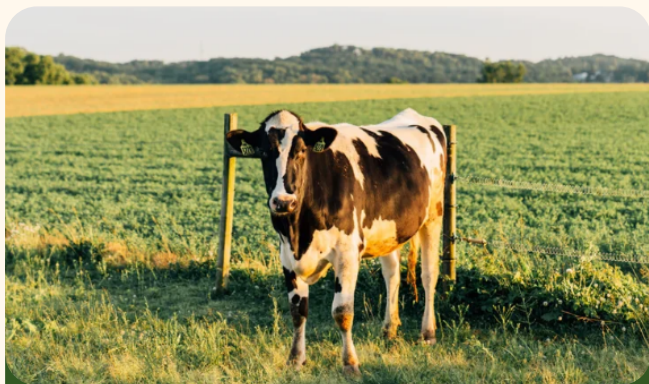
CCCD is proud to be involved annually with the Jim Claypool Art & Conservation Writing Contest. This contest educates students about soil, water, forestry, and wildlife conservation. Youth transform that knowledge into creative essays and artwork for a chance to win monetary prizes and statewide recognition.



Watering Facilities



Animal Mortality & Waste Facilities



Pasture and Hay Planting



Heavy Use Areas

## State Cost Share

The Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program was created to help agricultural operations protect the soil and water resources of Kentucky and to implement their agriculture water quality plans. The program helps landowners address existing soil erosion, water quality and other environmental problems associated with their farming or woodland operation.

State Cost Share offers 75% reimbursement of installation costs for eligible practices, up to \$20,000 annually. This is a competitive application process for the dispersal of cost share funds statewide. Producers must have an up to date [Agricultural Water Quality Plan](#) to apply.

For a complete list of practices, or assistance with applying, please contact CCCD [here](#). Application deadline is **10/1/26**.