



2024 SCARECROW CONTEST

You are invited to build a scarecrow for display during Fair Weather Farm's 4th annual Pumpkin Fest!
Contest is open to any individuals, families, businesses, or organizations in central Texas.

Rules:

- No store-bought scarecrows: you may purchase one and embellish it beyond recognition of how it appeared at the time of sale, but original works are preferred and judged accordingly. Be creative!
- Scarecrows should be made for families to enjoy (anything too scary or inappropriate will be rejected).
- Scarecrows should have the ability to be wired or attached to a simple 5 foot T-post. You are welcome to set up and arrange your scarecrow with any props/accessories on check-in day: wire & t-post will be provided, along with a name tag for your entry.
- Consider the weather and secure items for rain/wind.
- \$20 entry fee due at the time of drop off.

Showcase your stuff(ing) in one of these 3 categories:

"Traditional"

- ❖ Pay homage to the scarecrows that have been standing in fields for generations! Real straw, recycled items, farm tools, and old clothes are encouraged; the more rustic the better!

"Brady Pride"

- ❖ Create a scarecrow that portrays something wonderful about Brady America! Showcase a business, local athlete, hometown hero, organization...

"Total Eclipse of the Heart"

- ❖ Commemorate our incredible celestial event on April 8th in a unique way with this category!

- **Step 1:** Register your entry at FairWeatherFarmBrady.com by **September 24th**, and start building!
- **Step 2:** Scarecrow **check-in** is **Tuesday, Oct 1, 5-7pm** at the farm located at 2200 CR 116, Brady, TX. Your **\$20** entry fee is due at check-in (cash/check/venmo/cash app/square).
- **Step 3:** Be sure to invite your friends to Pumpkin Fest on **Oct 4 from 3-7pm**, so they can **vote** for your crow to win our "Best Overall" people's choice award! Free admission. You will see ribbons on scarecrows by 3pm Saturday! The farm will be open Oct 4,5,6 from 3-7pm.
- **Step 4:** Scarecrow **pick-up** is **October 15th, 5-6pm** (just in time to decorate your home/business for Halloween!) Prize money for first place ribbon winners will be given on pick up day. Scarecrows who remain in the field past Halloween will be discarded for your convenience.

Details: Judging will focus on creativity, originality, materials used, appropriateness for category, title creativity, durability in the field, and props used/created. **First** place ribbons in each category receive \$50 cash. A "Best Overall" award winner voted on by farm visitors will receive a voucher for a private party at FWF!