



Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

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ADVISORY – TOMORROW – HARRISBURG – Shapiro Administration, Congressional, Ag Industry Leaders to Kick Off 2026 PA Farm Show

Harrisburg, PA – Tomorrow, **Agriculture Secretary Russell Redding**, state and federal officials, agriculture leaders, and thousands of visitors will gather in Harrisburg for the Opening Ceremony of the **2026 Pennsylvania Farm Show**, officially kicking off the nation's largest indoor agricultural exposition. The ceremony will celebrate Pennsylvania's rich farming heritage, honor the farmers and families who sustain it, and highlight agriculture's enduring role in shaping the Commonwealth's economy, communities, and future.

The 2026 Farm Show – Pennsylvania State Fair™ – runs Saturday, January 10 through Saturday, January 17, 2026. The theme, *Growing a Nation*, celebrates Pennsylvania's critical role in shaping the United States through agriculture. It highlights how the Commonwealth's farming heritage helped feed the early nation and continues to drive economic growth, innovation, and community through its agriculture and food industries.

The 2026 Farm Show is the official kickoff of America250PA commemorations, celebrating the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States. America250PA celebrates Pennsylvania's pivotal place in U.S. history as one of the original 13 colonies and its contributions to the nation's founding, democratic traditions, and future prosperity.

WHO:

Pennsylvania Agriculture Secretary Russell Redding
Pennsylvania Congressman Glenn "GT" Thompson
America250PA Executive Director Cassandra Coleman
Betsy Ross

WHEN: Saturday, January 10, 10 a.m.

WHERE:

PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center
2300 N. Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110

The event will be outdoors, on the steps outside the Maclay St. Lobby Entrance

For a complete list of events, visit the 2026 PA Farm Show [daily schedule](#).

RSVP:

Press who are interested in attending must RSVP to aginfo@pa.gov

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