

# CROPCHAT

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## 2nd Annual Crop Scout School for Growers and Beginning Crop Scouts to be offered at the Borlaug Learning Center/ ISU NE IA Research Farm

NASHUA – Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will be offering a crop scout school on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the ISU Northeast Research Farm near Nashua in the meeting room of the Borlaug Learning Center. This is an all-day class specially designed for growers and crop scouts with limited scouting experience (0-2yrs). Live plants for weed ID and staging of corn and soybeans will be used for a hands-on learning experience in conjunction with a traditional lecture approach.

Registration starts at 9:00 a.m., with the program beginning at 9:30 a.m., adjourning by 3:30 p.m. The main topics for the day include; corn & soybean growth and development, weed ID & herbicide injury, corn and soybean diseases, and insect identification. Instructors for the class will be your local ISU extension and outreach field agronomists; Terry Basol, Brian Lang, Meaghan Anderson, and Rebecca Vittetoe. The program is designed to enable those that attend to take the information given for the day and take it back home with them where they can directly apply it in the field during the upcoming growing season. Some comments from those that attended last year include; "Great content, good location, Well done", "Had a great time, thanks for offering this program!", and "Great handout material".

Registration fee of \$75.00 covers lunch, materials, and refreshments for the day. Class size is limited to the first 30 paid registrants, so please register early to secure a seat. The registration form needs to be filled out and sent to the Borlaug Learning Center, Nashua Iowa postmarked no later than March 18<sup>th</sup> (attached). For more information, and to obtain a copy, please contact your local extension office, ISU Field Agronomist, or Terry Basol at 641-426-6801; email: [tlbasol@iastate.edu](mailto:tlbasol@iastate.edu).

Directions: From Nashua at the Jct of Hwy 218 (Exit 220) and Co. Rd. B60, go west on B60 1.1 miles to Windfall Ave., then south 1 mile to 290th St., then east 0.2 miles to the farm.

**Please feel free to pass this and the attached flier with registration form on to anyone that you think would be interested in attending. If you are a grower that would like to learn more about scouting your own fields or a beginning crop scout, we have created this class specifically for you. Our goal is for you to be able to take the information learned and be able to directly apply it in the field this upcoming growing season.**