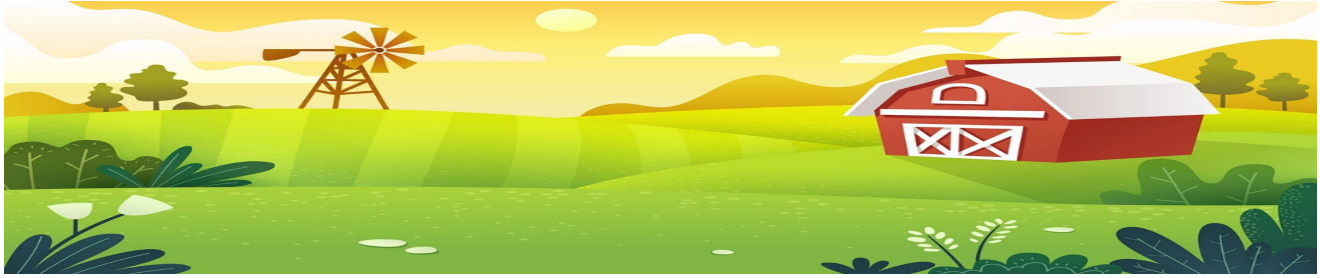


# New to Farming



## Where to Start

- The Manage Program is a financial way of looking at start-up cost vs profit hopes.  
**Farm Manage Agent, Ty Wolaver (931) 993-2466**
- The **Farm Service Agency (423) 586-0321 ext. 2** is a federal office which help with dollars which can be used when a natural disaster (floods, drought etc.) occurs. You must have your farm registered with them before receiving these benefits.
- **Ag Tax Exemption Form** can be picked up at the Extension Office or online. It will save your farm 10% toward farm purchases.
- **Green Belt Land Taxes (Local County Courthouse)** is a benefit to anyone with 15 acres or more. This allows your land taxes to be at a minimum. Over time this benefit really adds up.
- **Schedule F Tax Filing** Farms should be saving all receipts and expenses for tax purposes. These should be filed for business, grants and a host of other reasons.
- **Center of Profitable Ag (931) 486-2777** works with new start-ups, value-added, business questions, finding markets, labeling, and all things profitable to farms.
- **UT Extension** has an office in every county in the state. Extension role is to deliver research-based information for The University of Tennessee to each and every person in the state. Extension focuses on the education needed to produce whatever agriculture product is wished to be grown.
- **Farm Grants** 2 main sources of grants for the farm are **Soil Conservation 865-828-5211** (animal watering, hay feeding areas, cross-fencing, stream-crossings, etc) and **Ag Enhancement TAEP** (see TN Dept. of Ag website or local Extension Office). TAEP covers livestock, vegetable, fruit, bee keeping, vineyards, orchards, value-added, and much more.