

**COLUMBUS, OHIO
GENERAL INFORMATION**



**MAY 18 - 21, 2009
OPTIONAL HACCP TRAINING
MAY 21 - 22, 2009**

COURSE: The 16th National Egg Quality School (NEQS) will be held May 18 -21, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency, Columbus, in Columbus, Ohio. The NEQS continues the tradition of a curriculum that is designed for the serious-minded student who is willing to learn as much as possible about egg quality in a concentrated, comprehensive four days. The National Environmental Health Association (27 hours) and American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists (12 hours) award contact hours of continuing education credit for successful completion of this course. Lectures combined with individualized instruction and hands-on laboratory experience has proven to be a successful technique in preparing students to be more knowledgeable egg emissaries. The class will be divided into sections of five students, each with an instructor who will work with their section throughout the course reviewing and explaining lecture material, answering questions, instructing them in the laboratory and preparing students for the exam. For the first time, the school will offer an optional HACCP course with approved curriculum from the International HACCP Alliance. Several of the lectures given during the National Egg Quality School will be part of this training. The remainder of the HACCP training will be held Thursday afternoon and all day Friday (May 21 - 22, 2009).

LEADERSHIP: The school is administered through a Board of Directors elected by egg industry stakeholders with support and leadership provided by the following organizations: American Egg Board, Arizona Department of Agriculture, Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission, Egg Nutrition Center, Egg Safety Center, Indiana State Egg Board, Iowa State University, Maryland Department of Agriculture, National Egg Regulatory Officials, North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, North Carolina State University, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Pennsylvania State University, South Carolina Department of Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture, University of Arkansas, University of Kentucky, and Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services. The instruction staff includes leading university scientists, experienced state and federal regulatory officials, and seasoned industry organization representatives.

SPONSORSHIP: American Egg Board, Centurion Poultry, Inc., Georgia Egg Commission, Hartman USA, Inc., Hickman's Family Farms, Lumber City Eggs, Midwest Poultry Services, LP, MOARK, LLC, NuCal Foods/Rocky Mountain Eggs, Pactiv Corporation, Rose Acre Farms Inc., Sutherland's Food Service, and W3 Partners have generously provided donations during 2008 to further the educational opportunities offered by the school.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND RATES (Payable individually to the Hotel): The Hyatt Regency, Columbus, is located on 350 N. High Street in Columbus, Ohio, with a room rate of \$101.00 single or double plus 16.75% tax per night. Arch Transportation is available from the Port Columbus International Airport for \$15.00 one way. Reservations recommended: (614) 252-2277. Valet parking is available at the hotel for \$23 per day. Off site is available for \$12 per day. Room reservations must be made through Candy Byers, Indiana State Egg Board.

TUITION AND MEALS: The tuition is \$475 prior to April 1, 2008; \$575 after April 1, 2009. This fee includes all books, supplies and group meal functions. Group meal functions are lunch on Monday; lunch and dinner on Tuesday; lunch on Wednesday, and coffee breaks. The tuition for the optional HACCP training is an additional \$150 prior to April 1, 2009; \$175 after April 1, 2009. This fee includes all books, supplies, and group meal functions. Group meal functions are lunch on Thursday and Friday and coffee breaks. Your check or credit card information for tuition and meals must accompany your application.

HOW TO ENROLL – ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: APRIL 20, 2009

Complete the Application for Admission available on the website, clip and mail with your check or credit card information for tuition to:

National Egg Quality School
Indiana State Egg Board
Attn: Candy Byers
Purdue University, Poultry Science Building
West Lafayette, IN 47907

Telephone: (765) 494-8510
Fax: (765) 494-6349
Web: <http://www.neqs.org>
e-mail: cbyers@purdue.edu

Apply early to ensure acceptance. Enrollment is limited to 60 students for the regular school and 30 students for the optional HACCP course. Applications will be accepted in order of receipt and all applications will be acknowledged. Fees will be refunded if a notice of withdrawal is received by April 23, 2009. After that date, fees will be retained to cover committed costs.

UPON ACCEPTANCE: When your application for admission is accepted, you will be notified via a confirmation letter with additional information to help you plan your trip and make your stay at the National Egg Quality School both a productive and pleasant learning experience. Dress for the school is casual. Course materials will be distributed during registration at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 18, 2009. Section assignments will be located in these materials.

CERTIFICATES AWARDED: Certificates of Proficiency will be awarded to those students who attend all sessions and satisfactorily pass the examination on Thursday. Students that attend all sessions but do not take the exam on Thursday will be awarded a Certificate of Attendance. Students who complete the optional HACCP training will receive a certificate and be registered with the International HACCP Alliance as having received recognized training.