



As most of you may know by now, the Luling Watermelon Thump Association's Board of Directors made the very difficult decision in early May to cancel the 2020 Luling Watermelon Thump festival.

Thankfully, there are certain "Thump" traditions that we can still participate in while staying safe. We **ARE** going to continue growing melons to celebrate the festival we love, honor the growers, and promote the Luling watermelon market just how Herman Allen planned in 1954 when proposed the idea of a celebration that we now call Thump!

The Lil' Growers Committee is excited to team up with **Apple Lumber** and be able to provide each child that registered on March 7, 2020 a t-shirt. Apple Lumber is graciously allowing us to pass out t-shirts outside their store on **June 20, 2020 from 9am-11am**. **Citizens State Bank of Luling** and **Capital Farm Credit** are helping to sponsor the awards for this year's winners:

The REVISED rules for the 2020 Lil' Growers Competition are as follows:

1. Jubilee watermelons are the **ONLY** type of watermelons allowed entry and participant must only use the seeds given at registration. Only the registered contestants will be eligible to win prizes.
2. To enter a chance to win **Grower's Showmanship Award**: Each month, one photo must be submitted showing the child's participation, for a total of three photos (March, April, and May). Photo submission is acceptable via:
 - a. Email to: lilgrowers@watermelonthump.com
 - b. Submit only one (1) photo per month.
 - c. Last day to submit March, April, May photos will be **June 1, 2020**
 - d. GROWER'S SHOWMANSHIP is determined by the photos that are sent in for each child. We love to see the level of your child's involvement in the growing process and the fun they are having.
 - Ages 1-5 will have 3 winners announced on June 10, 2020
 - Ages 6-9 will have 3 winners announced on June 17, 2020
 - Ages 10-14 will have 3 winners announced on June 24, 2020
 - Winners will be announced on the Thump website, Thump's Facebook and Instagram, Apple Lumber's digital board, and in the Luling Newsboy & Signal
3. To enter a chance to win **Thumper's Showmanship Award**: one photo must be submitted of the child in their 2020 Lil' Growers T-shirt holding their melon. Photo submission is acceptable via:
 - a. Email to: lilgrowers@watermelonthump.com or post a picture on the official Luling Watermelon Thump Facebook page.
 - b. Submit photos only from **June 25-28, 2020**
 - c. THUMPER'S SHOWMANSHIP AWARD is determined by the child's presentation in their photo submission.
 - Ages 1-5: will have 1 winner announced on July 3, 2020
 - Ages 6-9: will have 1 winner announced on July 3, 2020
 - Ages 10-14: will have 1 winner announced on July 3, 2020
 - Winners will be announced on the Thump website, Thump's Facebook and Instagram, Apple Lumber's digital board, and in the Luling Newsboy & Signal

The Lil' Gowers Committee wants to thank **Apple Lumber**, **Citizens State Bank of Luling**, and **Capital Farm Credit** for their continued support given to the Luling Watermelon Thump Association and all of the parents, grandparents, family members, and contestants for their commitment and participation in the 2020 Lil' Growers Competition!

Sincerely,

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