

**OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARM FAMILY
COTTON DIVISION**

Note: Please answer questions that pertain to your operation if you are entering the OYFF contest as a Cotton Producer.

I. PRODUCTION PRACTICES

How are crop residues (cotton stalks, corn stalks, grain stubble) handled? _____

Discuss land preparation procedures _____

Do you plant Bt cotton? Yes ___ No ___ How many acres? _____

Insect Control Practices

List your major insect problems and the way you control them: _____

Disease Control Practices

List major fungal diseases or problems encountered and remedies used: _____

II. SOIL IMPROVEMENT

A. Percent of land soil tested last three years ___% Recommendations followed? Yes ___ No _____

B. Acres limed - _____ Acres needing lime - _____

C. Acres winter cover crops planted annually - _____.

Erosion Control (Wind and Water)

A. What soil conservation compliance methods are incorporated on your cotton acres? _____

Discuss various practices mandated and voluntarily carried out. _____

Water Management

A. Acres irrigated - _____

III. FIELDS

A. Average lint yield per acre for the last three years - _____

IV. MARKETING/RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Do you belong to a marketing association? Yes ____ No ____

B. If you manage your own marketing, how often do you monitor prices on cash/futures? _____

C. Do you try to manage price risk? Yes ____ No ____ If yes, how? _____

D. Do you forward contract or hedge in the future's market? _____ If so, how early do
you start selling? _____

E. Do you prefer an individual cotton broker? _____

F. Do you participate in commodity promotional activities? Yes ____ No ____ Explain: _____

List other commodity related organizations to which you belong. _____

V. How many acres did you have this year? _____

A. Do you plan to increase or decrease your acreage next year? _____

B. What yield levels do you need in order to break even? _____

C. What do you see as the next major innovation for the cotton industry? _____
