

# welcome!

#### new for 2023

As usual, we will co-locate our in-person finals with the National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. This is typically held the last week in October, but this year it is the first week in November. This has shifted the days of our Finals:

- Our event is usually held the Wednesday and Thursday of FFA week, but to avoid having Halloween as a travel day for our TRC core team and Finalists, we shifted the days for finals presentations to Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Awards Ceremony will be on Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup> following the final day of presentations. We will still live-stream the awards on **FacebookLive**.

Last year we introduced the new Safety Award (see **page 21**) and this year, we've expanded the Safety Report section (see **page 11**) to better illustrate what judges will be looking for. Note, there are no changes to what is expected, only a more detailed description:

- Expanded Safety Checklist with sections covering the facility, equipment, hazardous materials, and procedures.
- Tips on photography to illustrate your implementation of safety practices.

The new contact phone number is (502) 636-5118.

## To new competitors:

For those of you who are new to the Chevron Tractor Restoration Competition, we welcome you to the competition and the community. Since its inception in 1997, the Tractor Restoration Competition (TRC) has impacted the lives of students, their families, advisors and mentors around the country. We recommend you begin by thoroughly reviewing the **Instruction Book** as your source for all the requirements and guidelines for the competition. Reading every section, including the FAQ, can save you time in the long run, and set yourself up for success (and the road to the Finals).

## To returning competitors:

We are lucky to have so many teams, advisors, and mentors return year after year. Please make note of the changes noted here, and **download the current Resource Kit** with templates.

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Remember to stay tuned to our social media feeds for all the important information you need!

