

2025 Intermediate Grazing School

This program is designed for producers and agricultural professionals to sharpen their skills as a grazer. Topics covered include grazing math, portable watering systems, forage plant identification and growth, nutrient cycling in healthy pasture ecosystems, and more with an emphasis on ruminants – beef, sheep, dairy, goats.

Wednesday, September 24 & Thursday, September 25, 2025

Woodford County Extension Office
184 Beasley Road
Versailles, KY 40383
7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST

COST: \$60/participant -- includes notebook, refreshments, and lunches

ONLINE Registration with Credit Card:

<https://2025IntermediateGrazing.eventbrite.com>



Registration by U.S. Mail: Caroline Roper
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Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Number of participants _____ x \$60 per participant = _____ **Total Cost**



Make CHECKS payable to: KFGC



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2025 Intermediate Grazing School Agenda

MEET AT WOODFORD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE EACH MORNING

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

- 7:30 Registration and refreshments
- 8:00 Introduction of staff and participants
- 8:15 Grazing math and small group planning
Dr. Katie VanValin, UK
- 9:00 Break & travel to field demonstration area
- 9:30 Getting comfortable with electric fencing
Jeremy McGill
- 10:00 Portable water system setup
Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler, UK
- 10:30 Methods to assess forage availability
Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 11:00 Hands-on: setting up small paddocks for grazing demonstrations
- 12:00 Return to Woodford County Extension Office
- 12:30 Lunch (Woodford County Cattlemen)
- 1:00 Hands on plant identification
Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 1:30 Options for getting water to livestock
Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler and Dr. Chris Teutsch, UK
- 2:30 Managing tall fescue in grazing systems
Dr. Katie VanValin
- 3:15 Exploring plant root systems
Dr. Ray Smith and Dr. Chris Teutsch
- 4:00 Discussion

Thursday, September 25, 2025

- 7:30 Refreshments
- 8:00 Understanding and managing nutrient cycles in grasslands
Dr. John Grove, UK
- 8:45 Managing shade in grazing systems
Dr. Katie VanValin, UK
- 9:30 Break
- 10:00 Drought proofing your grazing system
Dr. Chris Teutsch
- 10:30 Utilizing the Graze Model for planning
Adam Jones, NRCS
- 11:15 How I am making grazing work on my farm,
Local Producer
- 12:00 Lunch (Woodford County Cattlemen)
- 12:45 Optimizing the use of existing forage resources
Dr. Chris Teutsch, UK
- 1:15 Travel to field demonstration area
- 1:45 Field exercise: Group reports and paddock demonstration
- 3:00 Frost seeding clover
Brittany Hendrix and Dr. Chris Teutsch
- 3:45 Annuals for extending grazing
Dr. Ray Smith, UK
- 4:45 Final comments, diplomas, and adjourn

