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Crop Diagnostic School: 3 Spaces Left

The Young Farmers Committee still has three spaces left to attend [Crop Diagnostic School](#). The days left open to attend are July 14, July 18 and July 18. Please contact Lenore as soon as possible by [email](#) or at (204) 697-1140 to reserve your spot. The YFC will pay for your registration, and asks for a brief report on your experience. Feedback from participants in past years has been extremely positive, so take advantage of this opportunity if you are able to attend.

Grazing Tour: 5 Spaces Left

Five young farmers can still attend the [Manitoba Grazing Tour](#) (July 23 - 24) in Portage la Prairie. The registration fee, which will be paid by the YFC, includes all of your sessions, meals and shared accommodations. Again, we'd like a quick summary of what you learned, what was valuable, etc. Please contact Lenore as soon as possible by [email](#) or at (204) 697-1140 to reserve your spot.

YFC Survey

The YFC survey will remain open until this Friday, and we'd really appreciate your feedback on what you'd like us to do for you over the coming year. Follow [this link](#) to complete this brief questionnaire. Thanks!

Manitoba's Young Farmer Rebate Program

Government of Manitoba News Release

Increases to the province's Young Farmer Rebate program resulted in approximately \$1.6 million in total benefits provided to over 1,250 producers for the 2007-08 fiscal year and program activity is expected to remain strong in 2008-09, Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Minister Rosann Wowchuk announced today.

The minister noted the rebate recently increased by \$5,000 to a lifetime maximum of \$15,000 per person. The rebate is available to Manitoba farmers between the ages of 18 to 39. It is now calculated on two per cent of the first \$150,000 of principal of a loan for each of the first five years of the loan. The maximum rebate available to each borrower is \$3,000 per year.

To read the complete news release, follow [this link](#). To find out more about the province's Bridging Generations Initiative, go [here](#).