

Manteca Sunrise Kiwanis
Presents our 4th

Annual Pumpkin Growing Contest

SHOW US HOW WELL YOU GROW
AND
GET YOUR PUMPKIN TO MARKET ON TIME!

Rules:

1. Your \$10.00 donation registers you for the growing contest and provides you with an official Dill's Atlantic "giant" pumpkin plant from the Kiwanis.
 - a. These plants are ready to put in the ground and grow a large pumpkin.
 - b. Your growing talents will show in the fruit's size, capable of exceeding 500 lbs.
 - c. Only officially registered contestants are eligible for the competition and prizes.
 - d. It will take 120 days of growing to get a fruit of size to market.
 - e. Plants are available beginning May 1.
2. Plant your pumpkin and nurture the plant to produce an extraordinary pumpkin in one of the following categories:
 - a. Largest (above 200 lbs.): 1ST, 2ND, 3RD.
 - b. Nearest Perfect Shape (above 100 lbs.): Circumference uniform in 3+ directions.
 - c. Celebrity Look-Alike
3. Bring your pumpkin to "market" Saturday morning October 1, 2022, at the Manteca Pumpkin Fair. Judging will be conducted Saturday afternoon by dedicated Kiwanis members (judges). Category winners will be determined upon the objective (weights & measures) and subjective (personal opinions) findings of the judges. All decisions of the judges are final.
4. Prizes are as follows:
 - a. Largest – 1ST = \$500, 2ND = \$300, 3RD = \$200
 - b. Perfect Shape – 1ST = \$200, 2ND = \$100
 - c. Celebrity Look-Alike - \$100
5. Contestants are encouraged to often "Share" photos of their pumpkin plant growing over the summer on our Facebook page: @Manteca Sunrise Kiwanis. Or you may email the Sunrise Kiwanis so we may post your photos at either of these addresses: info@sunrisekiwanis.org, www.mantecapumpkinfair.org

Guidelines:

Amend your soil as necessary to ensure vigorous growth. The space required for a "giant" pumpkin should be a minimum of 100 square feet. Grow the plant in full sun. To promote the size of one pumpkin, pinch off other fruit as they form and focus the plant on the giant fruit. See additional details on the back of your entry receipt. Remember to allow for access to the pumpkin so, when it comes time, you can get it loaded onto a truck or trailer and bring it to the Manteca Pumpkin Fair. Don't hurt yourself trying to manhandle the pumpkin – get help and have fun!