

# STATISTICS

- 125 people die in farm accidents every year.
- Tractors are the leading cause of death with rollovers being the most common type of tractor accident (44% of all tractor fatalities are rollovers).
- Children age 15 and under and Adults over 65 have the highest injury rate.
- 40% of all farm work injuries could be prevented with use of protective equipment.
- 22,000 kids and teens are seriously injured every year on farms and around 100 die every year due to injuries

# Farm Safety Tips



Always wash your hands after handling or feeding animals to avoid transmission of bacteria, viruses, or parasites to yourself from the animal.

Use personal protective equipment such as seat belts in tractors, sturdy work boots, goggles, gloves, and ear plugs.

Be aware of where everyone is at and when they are to return so you can be alerted to trouble if they do not return on time.

Make a mental note of ways to escape safely in case the animal begins to behave unpredictably.

In large quantities, gases from manure can be deadly/toxic and sometimes explosive.

Approach farm animals cautiously from the front to avoid startling them as they can injure people if they become confused or threatened.

Keep pesticides, herbicides, and other chemicals locked and out of reach of children.

DO NOT "walk the grain" in storage areas and silos as it is possible to become trapped and suffocate.

Always wear protective equipment and wash hands after handling pesticides/herbicides.

Wear a helmet when riding ATV's on the farm.

Have an emergency plan-know who to call (911 or poison control).

DO NOT wear baggy or loose/tattered clothing around machinery where it can get caught. Tie loose hair back.

All farm members should know CPR.