

# 2024 PAT Core Training

May 22-23 | Bozeman

This program is designed to train pesticide educators in understanding and teaching Montana Private Applicator core categories.

[www.montana.edu/extension/pesticides/events/patcore](http://www.montana.edu/extension/pesticides/events/patcore)

## LOCATION

Comfort Inn  
1370 N 7<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Bozeman, MT 59715

## FEE

\$100. MSU Ext. may use PAT Funds.

## REGISTRATION

Register by April 19.

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## HOTEL

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## DAY 1 – May 22

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| 9:00 am  | <b>Welcome, Goals and Responsibilities of Local PAT Coordinators</b><br>Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Specialist   |
| 9:20 am  | <b>Introduction to Pesticides: Basics of Mode of Action &amp; Formulations</b><br>Mat Walter, MSU Extension Agent - Lewis and Clark County  |
| 10:15 am | <b>Core Topic: MT PAT Program</b><br>Colleen Pegar, MSU Extension Agent – Hill County   |
| 10:50 am | <b>Break</b>  |
| 11:00 am | <b>Core Topic: Reading the Pesticide Label and Story Problem</b><br>Ben Hauptman, MSU Extension Agent - Granite County  |
| 11:50 am | <b>Lunch</b>  |
| 12:30 pm | <b>Core Topic: Pesticide Law and Recordkeeping Story Problem</b><br>Beth Thomas, MDA Certification and Training Coordinator   |
| 1:30 pm  | <b>Core Topic: Pesticide Safety and Toxicity, PPE Kits, and Story Problem</b><br>Amy Bowser, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Technician   |
| 3:00 pm  | <b>Break</b>  |
| 3:15 pm  | <b>Core Topic: Pesticides and the Environment, Soil Demo Kits, and Story Problem</b><br>Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Specialist<br>Mat Walter, MSU Extension Agent - Lewis & Clark County |
| 4:30 pm  | <b>Introduction to Spray Equipment</b><br>Dave Brink, MSU Extension Agent - Mineral County  |
| 5:00 pm  | <b>Adjourned for Evening</b>  |



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## DAY 2 – May 23

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| 8:00 am  | <b>Core Topic: Calibration, Demo Kit, and Story Problem</b><br>Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Specialist                         |
| 9:30 am  | <b>Core Topic: Integrated Pest Management</b><br>Dr. Tim Seipel, MSU Extension Cropland Weed Specialist  |
| 10:30 am | <b>Break</b>   |
| 10:45 am | <b>PAT Licensing, Coordinating an Initial Private Applicator Program and PEP Website</b><br>Amy Bowser, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Technician |
| 11:45 am | <b>Workshop: Hosting Pesticide Events</b><br>Amy Bowser, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Technician  |
| 12:30 pm | <b>Surveys and adjourned</b>   |



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