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TO: All Interested Parties  
FROM: Kevin Simmons, NPIP Coordinator  
SUBJECT: **Licensing of Private Blood Testers for Pullorum-Typhoid of Poultry**

The 2024 Poultry Blood Testing Schools have been scheduled for **(Friday), May 3<sup>rd</sup> in Fayetteville, (Wednesday) May 8<sup>th</sup> in Batesville and (Friday) May 17<sup>th</sup> in Little Rock.**

The School in **Batesville** will be held at the **University of Arkansas Livestock & Forestry Research Station**, 70 Experiment Station Drive. Coming from Hwy 67/167, take exit 55 toward Batesville. Turn left on US-64/167 for 32 miles, keep right on US-167 Batesville Blvd., turn left on SR-69/White Drive about 10 miles, turn left on Hwy106 about 3-4 miles then turn left on Experiment Station Drive. Registration for the Batesville school will begin at 9:30 am with class convening at 9:40 am.

The school in **Little Rock** will be held at the **University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service Auditorium**, 2301 South University, located between UALR and 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Registration for the Little Rock school will begin at 8:20 am with class convening at 8:30 am.

The school in **Fayetteville** will be held at the **University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service Auditorium**, 2536 North McConnell. Take Exit 66 off of I-540. Registration for the Fayetteville school will begin at 8:00 am with the class convening at 8:10 a.m. The class should end late-afternoon.

All classes should end in the early to mid-afternoon. Successful completion of these testing schools will result in the issuance of a Private Blood Tester's license. The licensing schedule is as follows:

Issuance of licenses are as follows:

- 1st attendance of school - 1 year license
- 2nd attendance of school - 2 year license
- 3rd attendance of school - 5 year license

Every 5 years thereafter, payment and agreement by mail will be acceptable.

A licensing fee will be due upon issuance of license - \$22.00 per year. **CASH PAYMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please pay by money order or personal check.** If more information is needed, please contact:

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