OHIO VALLEY GIANT PUMPKIN GROWERS

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"One of the World's Premier Giant Pumpkin Clubs"

GREAT PUMPKIN COMMONWEALTH
(Official Weigh Off Site)
Saturday, October 14, 2023
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2026 Weigh-Off – October 10, 2026, Parks Garden Center

The OVGPG Directors are pleased to announce a special America's 250 prize list for this years contest. We want to continue to support our growing community and cement our legendary place with the heavy hitters of Giant Pumpkin growing with the biggest, deepest, and heaviest weighoff ever presented. Let's just say we dropped the tail gate.

2026 Prize List –

PUMPKIN – SQUASH (all one class, 100 seed donation required 20th place and above)

1. $12,250	6. $3,250
2. $9,250	7-10. $2,250 (No bonus for 2000 lbs and up)
3. $7,250	11-15. $500 ($500 bonus for 2000lbs and up)
4. $5,250	16-20. $300
5. $4,250	21-30 $100

Additional Prize – Top 10 - $100 gas card

Howard Dill, Squash, and Grand Exhibitor $100 and a small plaque
Random Drawings $50 @ 200, 300, 400, and 500 pound classes

WATERMELON / FIELD PUMPKIN – 1st $250, 2nd $125, 3rd $75
SUNFLOWER (Dia.) / TOMATO (Wt.) / LONG GOURD (Lgth.)– 1st $100, 2nd $50, 3rd - $30
MARROW / BUSHEL GOURD – 1st $50, 2nd $30, 3rd $20
WORLD RECORD BONUS - $13,000 after all 2026 weigh offs are complete

Total for a New World Record $25,250