What are buying point trainings?

2-3 hour class on the importance of maintaining varietal identity in certified peanuts. Including:

- Seed certification overview
- Buying point requirements
- Developing a QMS plan
- Developing / documenting SOP’s
- SOP’s for trucks & dump pits
- Other tasks prior to receiving peanuts
Who participates?

- 1-2 appointed employees from each buying point (Owner, Manager, etc.)
- 1 class every other year
- No charge to attend
Why is varietal identity so important?

Each peanut variety has characteristics that make it desirable to the:

- Manufacturer
- Producer
  - Consumer
Why is Variety Identity & Purity Important to the Consumer?

-Taste
-Size
-Appearance
Why is Variety Identity & Purity Important to the Producer?

• Predictable Maturity Date
• Specific Oil & Meal Characteristics
• Higher Yields
• Pest Resistance
  - Diseases
  - Insects
  - Nematodes
Production Protocols
Inspected and Audited by Clemson

- Known source of planting material (breeder, foundation, registered)
- Field inspections to verify variety identity and purity, freedom from noxious weeds, other crops and diseases
- Approved Buying Points
- Approved Shellers/ Treaters
- Laboratory tested
Field Inspections

- Verify the variety
- Determine varietal purity
- Identify contaminating other crops
- Identify inseparable weeds (seeds)
- Verify adequate isolation

Common descriptors: maturity, plant height, leaf shape, shape of seed heads or pods, color of leaves and/or pubescence.
So, how do we guarantee the producer, manufacturer & consumer will receive the correct variety free of contamination?

Seed certification is designed to do exactly that – insure varietal purity & identity
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Questions?

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