



Application to Attend National Ag in the Classroom Conference

Hershey, Pennsylvania * June 23 – 27, 2014



Classroom Teacher or County Volunteer

Agriculture plays an important part in all our daily lives; however, many don't know the story of agriculture - from field and farm to home and table. Through exciting, engaging, and interactive workshops, you will learn not only the story of agriculture, but also how to incorporate it into all aspects of your curriculum.

As stories are told not only with words, but also with pictures, interesting and unique tours will take you behind the scenes of various aspects of Pennsylvania's multitude of agricultural commodities. These personal experiences will give you great insight to take back to your classroom.

Agriculture in the Classroom (AIRC) provides educators a wealth of resources for integrating agriculture, nutrition and natural resource education into the K-12 curriculum. AIRC programs improve student achievement by utilizing innovative, hands-on relatable lessons that intrigue students while teaching core curriculum concepts in science, social studies, language arts, math and nutrition. This conference showcases the best ideas and latest resources from across the country - ready for your classroom. (This conference will provide 20+ points towards license renewal if the teacher's license is eligible to be renewed using Professional Growth Plan hours.)

This is the conference for you if you are:

Educators of all grade levels	Informal educators	Curriculum and content specialists
AIRC program staff	AIRC volunteer/board members	High school agriculture educators
School administrators	Higher education staff/professors	
STEM educators	Commodity/agricultural producers	

Indiana teachers or AIRC volunteers who are members of Indiana Farm Bureau that are interested in attending the National Ag in the Classroom conference in Hershey, PA may apply for consideration by completing this application.

The individual(s) selected to attend the conference will have their conference registration fees, travel and hotel expenses paid for by Indiana Farm Bureau.

A complete agenda and conference details are available on the conference website:

<http://www.agclassroom.org/conference2014/>

Selection Criteria:

The Indiana Farm Bureau Women's Leadership committee will evaluate the applications. Each evaluator will be asked to score the applications according to the following criteria:

1. Applicant describes in detail the importance of embedding agricultural literacy in his/her curriculum. (30 pts)
2. Applicant communicates valid and unique reason(s) for why he/she wants to attend the conference. (30 pts)
3. Applicant explains how the experiences gained will be used after the conference (40 pts).

**Please return completed application to the Indiana Farm Bureau Education Coordinator
by Friday, February 28, 2014.**

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