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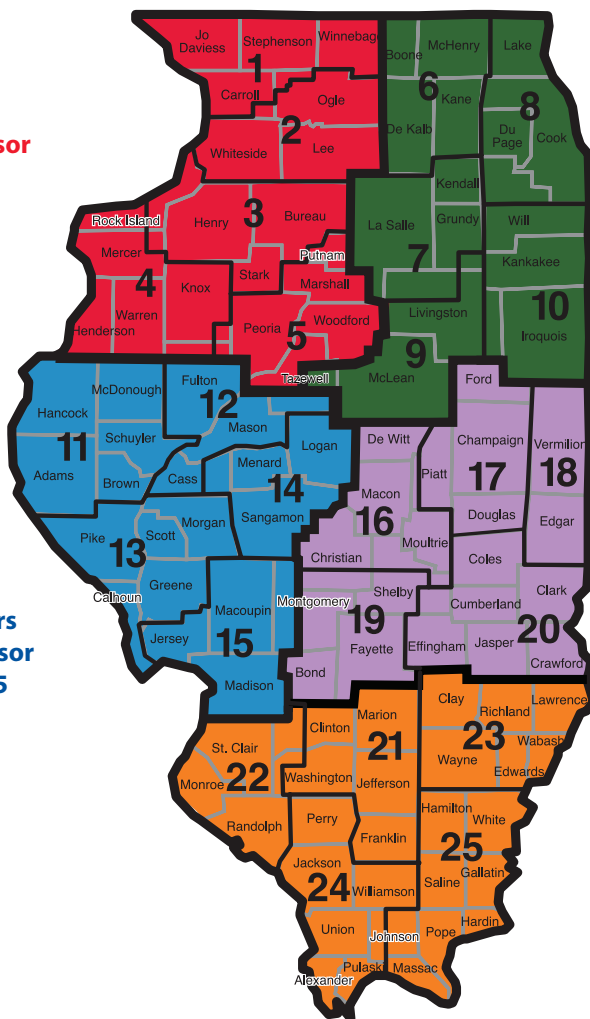
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Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education (FCAE) Update 9-1-20

2019-20 School Year

AFNR Enrollment Duplicated – 43,941

AFNR Enrollment Unduplicated – 5,759(5-8 grade), 30,184(9-12 grade), 35,939(Total) 231(Private Schools)

FFA Membership - 20,671

6 New Programs for 2020-21

D2-Obama STEM Middle

D3-Hamilton

D4-Brownstown, Urbana

D5- Cypress Middle-Vienna, New Simpson Hill Middle-Vienna

4 Closed Programs for 2020-21

D2-Waubonsie Valley

D3-Capital Area Career Center-Springfield, Edwardsville-Liberty Jr. High, Edwardsville-Lincoln Jr. High

Total Programs for 2020-21 – 356

Total Teachers for 2020-21 - 452

- New all-inclusive website, www.ILAgEd.org, increases efficiency for information processed, data management, and marketing/promotion.
- New online record keeping system and data management continued to be utilized by students and teachers, www.TheAET.com.
- Program advisors have assisted 90% of schools and teachers onsite or virtually in 2019-20.
- Program advisors have assisted 70% of county ag in the classroom coordinators onsite in 2019-20.
- Developed a state plan for revision and new development of curriculum and resources.
- Continued partnership with State Teach Ag Results(STAR) national program and grant to recruit and retain agriculture teachers.
- Identified and collected E-Learning resources for teachers during COVID-19 on ILAgEd.org.
- National Association of Supervisors Agricultural Education (NASAE) conference travel grants awarded to three program advisors.
- Ag Career Corner was introduced on social media where 50+ agribusiness representatives described their career and colleges/universities promoted their campuses.
- Working together with IAVAT and FFA in developing a diversity and inclusion state plan.
- Partnered with the University of Illinois with virtual Experienced(2nd year) and Beginning(1st year) graduate level courses for agriculture teachers.
- FCAE Staff monthly reports can be accessed at <https://www.ilaged.org/fcaemonthlyreports>

Summary of Illinois Agricultural Education Programs and Teachers

Programs										Teachers									
DISTRICT	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	
1	61	58	58	57	58	59	61	63	63	67	65	65	65	67	68	74	74	76	
2	69	70	69	64	65	67	70	69	69	104	103	102	102	90	91	92	94	96	
3	61	62	61	62	65	65	65	69	67	76	79	79	79	80	81	84	84	84	
4	61	62	62	62	63	64	69	72	74	71	72	70	69	71	74	80	85	87	
5	66	67	68	67	76	79	80	80	82	80	82	82	81	95	99	102	105	107	
Virtual								1	1								2	2	
TOTALS	318	319	318	312	327	334	345	354	356	398	401	398	396	403	413	432	444	452	

	Section	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21		Section	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
	1	14	14	15	15	15		1	16	15	16	16	17
	2	11	12	13	14	14		2	15	16	17	16	18
	3	13	13	13	13	13		3	14	14	16	15	15
	4	10	10	10	10	10		4	11	11	13	14	13
	5	10	10	10	11	11		5	11	12	12	13	13
	6	14	14	14	14	14		6	18	16	18	18	20
	7	11	11	13	13	13		7	15	14	16	17	17
	8	16	17	17	15	15		8	26	31	27	26	26
	9	13	13	13	14	14		9	18	18	18	19	19
	10	11	12	13	13	13		10	13	12	13	14	14
	11	13	13	13	14	15		11	17	18	18	17	18
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	13	13	13	13	14	14		13	13	13	13	14	15
	14	13	13	13	13	12		14	15	15	16	16	15
	15	13	13	13	15	13		15	19	19	21	20	18
	16	14	14	17	19	19		16	15	17	20	23	23
	17	14	14	14	13	14		17	17	17	17	17	18
	18	10	10	11	12	12		18	12	11	13	13	12
	19	12	12	12	12	13		19	13	13	13	14	15
	20	13	14	15	16	16		20	14	16	17	18	19
	21	16	16	16	16	16		21	18	18	18	20	20
	22	19	19	20	20	20		22	22	21	24	24	24
	23	12	13	13	13	13		23	19	20	20	20	21
	24	17	18	18	18	18		24	17	19	19	19	19
	25	12	13	13	13	15		25	19	21	21	22	23
	TOTAL	327	334	345	353	355		TOTAL	403	413	432	442	450
	Average	13	13	14	14	14		Average	16	17	17	18	18

School Year	Unduplicated Students	Duplicated Students	FFA Membership	7-12 Approved Programs	High School AgEd Teachers
1990-91	11,733		11,321	307	307
1991-92	12,140		11,901	325	316
1992-93	12,985		12,167	325	352
1993-94	13,353		12,365	317	341
1994-95	15,177		13,505	303	345
1995-96	16,431		13,678	302	341
1996-97	17,285		14,262	302	348
1997-98	17,898		15,043	306	351
1998-99	24,230		14,932	308	355
1999-2000	24,301	29,071	15,216	308	361
2000-01	24,765	28,597	16,032	314	354
2001-02	24,906	30,166	15,802	316	375
2002-03	25,436	31,192	15,786	316	372
2003-04	25,747	32,226	15,981	310	367
2004-05	26,488	33,885	15,846	313	371
2005-06	26,329	35,974	16,698	311	379
2006-07	26,274	35,492	16,729	316	396
2007-08	30,178	42,902	17,085	318	400
2008-09	29,048	42,090	17,148	319	401
2009-10	29,066	40,617	17,602	318	398
2010-11	28,895	40,035	16,173	312	389
2011-12	29,048	39,926	16,712	314	393

2012-13	29,202	40,006	17,640	321	390
2013-14	29,463	40,027	17,529	321	381
2014-15	29,615	38,817	17,410	320	386
2015-16	30,562	36,306	17,679	321	391
2016-17	31,655	37,023	17,535	327	403
2017-18	33,050	37,823	18,453	334	413
2018-19	34,285	39,058	19,099	345	432
2019-20	35,939	43,941	20,671	354	444

New FY21 and FY22 Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Courses

Orientation and Introduction Courses:

1. Animal Biology
2. Basic Agricultural Business
3. Basic Biotechnology
4. Basic Environmental Science
5. Basic Food Processing
6. Basic Natural Resource Management
7. CTE Career Exploration
8. Plant Biology

Skill and Advanced Courses:

9. Advanced Agricultural Engine Maintenance
10. Advanced Agricultural Welding
11. Advanced Animal Biology
12. Advanced Plant Biology
13. Agricultural Commodity Marketing
14. Agricultural Computers and Technology
15. Agricultural Economics
16. Agricultural Electrical Systems
17. Agricultural Engineering
18. Agricultural Entrepreneurship
19. Agricultural Government
20. Agricultural Math
21. Agricultural Power Mechanics
22. Agricultural Sales and Marketing
23. Agricultural Welding
24. Alternative Energy
25. Animal Genetics
26. Animal Nutrition
27. Animal Processing
28. Aquaculture Science
29. Biotechnical Engineering
30. Community Food Production
31. Equine Science
32. Forestry
33. Global Agriculture
34. Greenhouse Management
35. Hunter Safety
36. Landscape Management
37. Large Animal Care
38. Plant Processing
39. Precision Agriculture
40. Service and Support Animal Training
41. Small Animal Care
42. Sustainable Agriculture
43. Turfgrass and Sports Field Management
44. Urban Forestry
45. Water Treatment
46. Wildlife Management

FY20 TOTALS		68.5	873
Date	Workshop	Hours Offered	Attendees
7/16/19	SAE for All Train the Trainers	6	17
7/17/19	District 4 Summer Workshop - Lakeland	6	4
10/14/19-10/15/19	BUILD Conference - AET	4	32
10/14/19-10/15/19	BUILD Conference - FFA Center Updates	1	73
10/14/19-10/15/19	BUILD Conference - Roundtables: AET, Foundation, CDEs	2	42
10/14/19-10/15/19	BUILD Conference - Eat That Frog Book/Time Management	1	65
10/16/2019	Lincoln Land Soil Science Workshop	2	12
12/6/2019	Section 13 Teacher Workshop - Burrus Seed Tour	2	7
12/14/2019	PreService Teacher Welding Training at Capital Area Career Center	6	15
1/15/2020	Section 12 Land Use CDE Training - Land Use Score Card & Parliamentary Procedure/Conduct of Chapter Meetings	2	15
1/17/2020	Wildlife Management Workshop, SIC Harrisburg	1	7
2/7/20-2/8/20	212 Conference (Decatur) - Scovill Zoo Tour	2	28
2/7/20-2/8/20	212 Conference (Decatur) - AgriBusiness Foundations BriefCASE	6	29
2/7/20-2/8/20	212 Conference (Decatur) -MyCAERT	2	38
2/7/20-2/8/20	212 Conference (Decatur) - Ag Sensors	2	45
2/7/20-2/8/20	212 Conference (Decatur) - IL FFA Center Updates	2	112
2/13/2020	Section 13 IAVAT Winter Meeting Professional Development - AET Proficiencies & State Degrees	1	10
3/6/2020	Women Changing the Face of Agriculture - Reading Strategies & Ag Senses	1	10
6/1 - 6/5/2020	Supporters of Beginning Ag Teachers Virtual Conference	8	10
6/15/2020	Land Use CDE Webinar	1	25
6/19/2020	WIU Soil Health Bucket	1.5	40
6/19/2020	WIU Soil Health Bucket	3	6
6/22/2020	RealityWorks: Tips for Starting Your Hydroponics Program	1	49
6/23/2020	Teaching Cover Letters & Resumes	1	33
6/23/2020	Ready. Set. Teach! National FFA Resources	1	39
6/25/2020	Career Exploration in AET using O'Net & Foundational SAEs	2	29
6/25/2020	Evaluating Student SAEs Online	2	31
6/25/2020	Managing the Chapter's Strategic Plan	2	40
6/29-6/30/2020	AgriBusiness BriefCASE	9	31

mAGic Curriculum and Lesson Update

(9-21-20)

- Illinois – Release date November 15 or before, waiting for alignment to standards**
- Sequence of revisions - Soil, Plants, Insects, Poultry, Dairy, and Machines**
- Illinois includes 27 revised lesson titles**

Cattle Corrections

City & Country Contrast through Poetry

Corn & Soybean Processing and Products

Flags are Symbolic

From Bluestem and Bison to Corn and Cattle

Futures Trading

Home Grown in Illinois

How Many Deer are Here?

Illinois Agriculture by the Numbers

Illinois Road Trip

Investigate Illinois

Let's Gather Together

Let's Talk About It

McDonalds A Chicago Success Story

Navigating the Water Highways

Prairie Basics

Prairie Passages

Prairie Plant Adaptations

Prairie State Mapping

Science in Your Shopping Cart

Skyscraper Science

Sprouting Success in Illinois from North to South

Stockyards to Skyscrapers

The Shape of Illinois

Trees Are for Treasuring...and Measuring

Wealth of Illinois

Who are the Amish?