

FCAE LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT UPDATE

July 8, 2022

- ✓ Current AFNR enrollment – 31,073 (9-12) + 4,716 (5-8) = 35,789
Increase of 3,133 students over a year ago. Highest on record.
- ✓ 121 AFNR teacher vacancies with 103 filled. 9 retirees, 28 left teaching, 32 teacher moves from school to school, 13 new programs, 21 Educator License with Stipulations (ELS), 30 additional teachers added to programs.
- ✓ 34 AFNR May, 2022, graduates licensed to teach. 25 accepted an ag teaching position, 5 grad school/industry, 4 still looking.
- ✓ 709 professional development hours have been provided with 1640 educators attended.



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New Programs - 13

- 1 - Knoxville Junior
- 1 - Morton
- 1 - Pekin
- 2 - Barrington
- 2 - Milton Pope Junior at Marseilles
- 3 – Auburn
- 3 – Civic Memorial at Bethalto
- 3 – Franklin Junior
- 3 - Meredosia Chambersburg
- 4 – Arthur Christian (non public)
- 4 - Mahomet Seymour Junior
- 4 – Mattoon Junior
- 5- Mater Dei at Breese (non public)

Closed Programs - 1

3 - Mt. Pulaski Middle

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- ✓ FCAE staff have established Junior Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANRRS) Chapters with just under 200 students in these schools (number of members in parentheses): Freeport (11), Gary Comer Youth Center in Chicago (25), Prosser Career Academy in Chicago (26), Cahokia (36), Carbondale (27), Lovejoy Academy in Brooklyn (15), and the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (50)



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- ✓ FCAE staff organized and held a Jr. MANRRS Leadership Institute on April 22, 2022 at the University of Illinois at Chicago. 70 students and 40 adults attended a hands-on professional learning and networking event with agricultural career professionals and university and college representatives. Lt. Governor Juliana Stratton gave opening remarks inspiring the students.
- ✓ FCAE staff have facilitated and organized Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging (DEIB) professional learning workshops for agriculture teachers both in-person and virtually. Trying to be intentional.



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- ✓ Urban Agriculture Career Development (CDE) – May 13 at the Gary Comer Youth Center in Chicago. 15 teams, 4 students per team, consisting of a written test, rain water practicum, packaging of food activity, evaluation of food products, plant identification, and an urban agriculture group presentation.
- ✓ Three Circles FFA & SAE Extended Contract Grant - 2017-18 - 158 teachers, 2018-19 - 220 teachers, 2019-20 - 264, 2020-21 - 279, 2021-22 - 302 (63% of ag teachers have a 12 month contract), expecting 350 for 2022-23.
- ✓ Rigorous and active calendar in June, July, August providing professional learning opportunities for teachers with extensive time for first year teachers, second year teachers and teachers with an Educator License with Stipulations (ELS) license.
- ✓ Assisting school districts in completing the incentive funding grant with two allocations, fall and spring.
- ✓ Facilitating school officials professional learning and luncheon at FFA Convention on June 15th in Springfield. 21 attended.



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- ✓ FCAE Assistance Stats - beginning July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022
 - ✓ 877 onsite or virtual assistance visits to schools, institutions, county AITC
 - ✓ 347 onsite or virtual assistance to 5-12 grade schools (98%)
 - ✓ 86 onsite or virtual assistance to AITC coordinators (80%)
 - ✓ 875 onsite or virtual meetings
 - ✓ 99,109 miles traveled Average – 1376/month/FCAE staff
 - ✓ 126 overnight stays Average – 21/FCAE staff
 - ✓ FY22 grant extension until August 30, 2022 as the FY23 grant has not started yet.



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- ✓ Partner Update with Cutting Edge Curriculum (CEC) doing business as myCAERT
- ✓ As of June 1, 2022, Introducing Callie McClay, Marketing Manager
(217) 446-0500 x134 cmcclay@caert.net
- ✓ Mindy McDermott and Jay Runner are board members for this Illinois not-for-profit corporation
- ✓ Annual subscription for Illinois users is \$1600
- ✓ Annual subscription for out of state users is \$2600 first year, \$1900 each additional year
- ✓ Continue working under the Royalty Agreement signed by Dan Pentony, previous owner. Challenging ongoing negotiations continue for an updated and signed Royalty Agreement for out of state sales of the curriculum.

Online Assessments

- ▶ 1,000s of Questions
- ▶ Scored Automatically
- ▶ Document Standards Attainment



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- ✓ Continue to support programs and teachers at 5-12 schools, colleges, and universities. **6% increase of teachers. 45 new first year teachers.**
- ✓ Continue to support AITC county partnerships and coordinators.
- ✓ Continue to grow programs and students in urban areas of the state.
- ✓ Continue to provide professional learning for pre-service teachers, Educator Licensed with Stipulations (provisional teachers, and licensed teachers.
- ✓ Assist in the revision of current curriculum and develop new curriculum in the areas of urban education, food science, and technology (drones, data management, safety, etc.).

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- ✓ Item for consideration for future ICAE meetings.
- ✓ Allow stakeholder representatives to be resources during the meetings to answer questions and allow for input on agenda topics without taking time for a motion for public comment.
- ✓ Similar to school district board of education meetings where school staff are allowed to speak when specific information or additional details are needed. These meetings follow guidelines and policy of the Open Meetings Act.