

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education
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December 2014 Report

On-Site Assistance – (12) High Schools (0) Community College (3) AITC Coalition

Clifton Central HS	John Marshall HS
Cook Co. AITC	Lockport Twp. HS
DuPage Co. AITC	Milford HS
Evanston Twp. HS	Naperville Central HS
Ford-Iroquois Co. AITC	Oswego HS
Gardner-South Wilmington HS (x2)	Plano HS
Gary Comer Youth Center HS	Woodland HS

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 3 Participants – 418

- Evanston HS Foods Class: Ag Careers & "Where does your food come from" – 18
- Normal Parkside MS- Ag Careers – 250
- Coal City HS Ag Careers Booth & Presentation – 150

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 2

- Cook Co. AITC Coalition Meeting – Cook Co FB, Countryside
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield

Other Activities

- Reviewed & updated Food Science course outline
- Reviewed and made entries in the teacher and program database website.
- Developed and posted listserv messages.
- Email correspondence with various individuals in agricultural education.
- Completed monthly reports and weekly activity log sheets.

Miles Traveled - 1444

Commentary

This month I have continued to focus on developing my relationship with schools who have either lost their Ag program (Oswego East) or who have very little participation in AgEd outside of the classroom to increase their numbers and involvement. The relatively mild weather made school visits easy, and I am looking forward to visiting a lot of schools in January to help schools complete SAE Improvement grants. Despite a very strong push to get students to complete Agri-Science Fair Grant Applications, very few District 2 students applied for them, which disappoints me. I hope students choose to participate in the Agri-Science Fair even without the money. I will continue to push that as I visit schools in January.