

**Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education**  
**Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor**  
**July 2012 Report**

<b>On-Site Assistance – (1) High Schools</b> Chicago HS for Ag Science	<b>(0) Community College</b> McHenry Co. AITC	<b>(1) AITC Coalition</b>
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**Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 3 Participants – 63**

- District 1 Horticulture/Ag Sci Workshop – IL Valley CC, Oblesby – 18
- Boone-Ogle-Winnebago Co. SAI – Winnebago Co. Farm Bureau, Rockford – 22
- Cook Co. SAI – Cook Co. Farm Bureau, Countryside – 23

**Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 7**

- RTTT Grant Application Completion Meeting, IL FFA Center, Springfield
- National FFA & Illinois DCEO Teleconference
- FCAE Staff Meeting – University of Illinois ITCS, Urbana
- National FFA & Illinois DCEO Learning Exchange Data Cloud Mtg – LLCC, Springfield
- IAVAT Professional Development Teleconference
- New FCAE PA: Kathy Novotny meeting
- North Wheaton HS (new) Foods Teacher Katie Hancock meeting (share lessons)

**Other Activities**

- Manage application of RTTT Grant Submission
- Deliver Printed materials from P-20 Ag Careers Project to District offices
- Manage P-20 Ag Careers Mobile Phone App development
- Updated the teacher candidate/vacancy pages on the agriculturaleducation.org website.
- 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 - 1235**

**Commentary**

The summer is going so fast! Mobile phone App development is in Beta testing, Summer Ag Institute is wrapped up, and new teachers have been added to the database. My goal for the first two weeks of August is to meet with my new teachers to make sure they are ready to begin the year. I am very happy with the quality of the Ag Careers materials that were developed with P-20 Career Pipeline grant dollars from IL DCEO. Our teachers will love them and I know I can use them often in my presentations. I am still concerned with the number of candidates that Illinois, and our neighboring states, are graduating. Our teachers really must understand the critical need for ag teachers and promote Ag Ed as an important career that is in high demand. I will be promoting this at Fall Meetings. I'm also very excited to begin working with the two new FCAE Program Advisors and to return to District 2. I'm not very familiar with many of the programs in Section 8 and I look forward to my time with each teacher.