

**Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education**  
**Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor**  
**June 2017 Report**

**On-Site Assistance – (4) High Schools    (1) Community College    (0) AITC Coalition**

Chicago Ag Sciences HS  
Clifton-Central HS  
Kankakee CC

Lincoln Way East HS  
Lockport HS

**Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 7    Participants – 94**

- NSERVE EFE/The Talking Farm summer course – The Talking Farm Skokie – 13
  - Attended the Orientation plus 3 class sessions (incl. final day parent event)
- Stephenson/Winnebago Co SAI (Biotech, genetics) – Freeport – 12
- Winnebago/Ogle Co SAI (mAGic resources) – Rockford – 16
- Kane County SAI (mAGic resources) – St. Charles – 14

**Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 3**

- Illinois FFA Convention – Bank of Springfield Center, Springfield
- IAVAT Summer Conference – Doubletree Hotel, Bloomington
- FCAE Staff Teleconference

**Other Activities**

- Attended Wagner Farm “Dairy Breakfast and Livestock Show” (Ag Careers)
- Attended Cultivating Change Summit to learn about increasing diversity & inclusion policies, procedures, networking.
- Updated the teacher candidate/vacancy pages on the [agriculturaleducation.org](http://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 - 1299**

**Commentary**

The Summer Ag course for North Shore Cook County schools had very high reviews. 12 students participated and all students said they would take another course. State FFA Convention and Ag Teachers Conference went well, kudos to Jennifer Waters and Megan Coy for great professional development and Ag Ed CDE events. Cultivating Change Summit gave me workshop presentation materials that I can use to present to teachers in Illinois how to complete a community analysis and develop a diversity & inclusion plan to create a program that is more welcoming of all under-represented groups in their community. All vacancies are filled and I look forward to adding St. Anne as a new program this year with Southside Occupational re-starting.