

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education
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On-Site Assistance – (9) High Schools (2) Community College (0) AITC Coalition

Flanagan HS	Pontiac Township HS
Illinois Valley Comm College	Seneca HS
Joliet Jr. College	Somonauk HS
Manteno HS	St. Charles Youth Center HS
Momence HS	WILCO HS
Peotone HS	

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 4 Participants – 1450

- DuPage County Teacher Inservice – College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn – 26
- JJC Intro to AgEd Class Presentation – Joliet Jr. College, Joliet – 24
- Kane Co. AITC Expo- Ag Careers, Soybeans – Moosehart Fieldhouse, Mooseheart – 800
- Will Co. AITC Expo- Ag Careers – JJC WAEC, Joliet – 600

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 4

- FCAE Staff Teleconference – District 2 Office
- DuPage Co AITC Committee – DuPage Co Farm Bureau, Carol Stream
- Governor’s Rural Affairs Council – Eureka College, Eureka
- Illinois Ag Legislative Day – Illinois Capitol, Springfield

Other Activities

- Hosted & Organized Illinois FFA Food & Vet Science CDE
- Hosted & Organized District 2 AgriScience Fair
- 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 - 1161

Commentary

Participation in State Food & Vet Science CDEs was at an all-time high this year. My goal was to increase student & volunteer numbers, which we accomplished, but we need more help organizing volunteers in the future. After our Midwest Ag Mech Instructors conference last month I want to organize thoughtful curriculum review & professional development to focus on helping teachers create a “culture of safety.” I continue to receive requests for new AgEd programs but don’t have enough time to follow-through on all of those plus service our new and current teachers/programs. I’m looking forward to the new Juvenile Justice Department Ag programs and we might need to consider creating a new FFA Section for them if they are able to follow through on starting FFA Chapters at all of their locations.