

**Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education**  
**Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor**  
**May 2009 Report**

**On-Site Assistance – (9) High Schools      (0) Community College      (0) AITC Coalition**

Belvidere HS	Marengo HS
Burlington-Central HS	Oswego HS
Clifton-Central HS	Pontiac HS
Flanagan HS	Tri-Point HS
Genoa-Kingston HS	

**Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 5    Participants –526**

- Bloom Twp. HS Renewable Energy Fair, Chicago Ridge, 185
- ISU Student Teacher Workshop, Normal, 9
- Section 10 IAVAT Meeting, Clifton Central, 16
- Milford Grade School Ag Expo, Milford, 290
- DeKalb County Summer Ag Institute, DeKalb, 26

**Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 7**

- Grundy County AITC Ag Jeopardy moderator, Morris
- TREES EFE P&CC Meeting, Golden Corral, Joliet
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield
- Watseka HS FFA Banquet, Watseka
- Chicago Community Gardening event, Chicago
- IL AITC Spring Coordinator Meeting, Normal
- Joliet Township HS Program Startup meeting, The Department, Joliet

**Other Activities**

- Grundy County Dairy Tour presentation (District 2 Intern)
- WILCO Ag Careers presentation (District 2 Intern)
- Reviewed and processed amended IFGA budgets.
- 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 - 2288**

**Commentary**

I do not foresee an unmanageable number of vacancies this year (compared to last year). My focus of effort has been to support the two programs that closed to reinstate courses, and have not dedicated much time to opening new programs. However, the new program we do have seem to be doing well, and I hope that they continue to grow and attract students. I predict Gardner will add a full-time ag teacher within two years, and Burlington looks to be growing well; both teachers are doing a great job. I would like to organize the FFA Alumni efforts in District 2 over the next year to support our programs, especially in the current fiscal climate.