

**Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education**  
**Megan Coy, District IV Program Advisor**  
**February 2018 Report**

**On-Site Assistance – 7 high schools, 1 University**

**Program Visits:**

Chrisman High School  
Heartland Tech Academy  
Oakland High School  
Jasper County (Newton) HS  
Taylorville High School  
Teutopolis High School  
Tuscola High School

**College/University Visits:**

University of Illinois

**Workshops/In-services/Presentations (14 Participants)**

- MyCAERT Presentation at University of Illinois

**Meetings/Conferences/Conventions**

- Thunderstruck Annual Report Meeting, Champaign
- Ag Legislative Committee Conference Calls
- 60 by 25 Network Conference, Bloomington
- Ag in the Classroom Coordinators Meeting, Bloomington
- Illinois PAS Conference, Springfield
- Section 16 State Degree Day, Decatur
- Section 16 Proficiencies, Maroa
- PD Meeting at U of I Meat Science Lab, Urbana
- FCAE Staff Meeting, Peoria

**Other Activities**

- Provisional Teacher Assistance
- Organized the Invitational Agriscience Fair
- Worked with teachers & administrators on 3 Circle Grant Issues
- Updated Remind.com and TeachAg.net Websites
- Created Elite Promotional materials
- Updated Ag Ed CDE Rules
- Assisted teachers with AET, State Degree, & Proficiency Issues
- Assisted with organization and planning of Heartland Tech Academy Vet Science CDE
- Assisting with & uploading rosters
- Developed and posted listserv messages.
- Women Changing the Face of Agriculture Workshop Prep
- Email correspondence with various individuals in agricultural education.
- Completed monthly reports and weekly activity log sheets.

**Miles Traveled – 1394 miles**

**Commentary**

February seems to have flown by! This month was filled with a lot of different conferences and meetings. It was interesting to attend the 60 by 25 Network Conference and learn more about the ESSA implementation & different partnerships

between business & industry and education. I think it was beneficial to meet some of the people involved in different sectors of Career and Technical Education. Other highlights this month included getting out and visiting a few schools. I had a great time at Taylorville with Sue Schafer, Katie King and their student teacher, Elise Hackett. It was fun to be with students during FFA week and meet Taylorville's Ag Department Service Dog, Aggie! I also learned a lot from my visit with the agriculture teachers at Newton. John Lidy was able to show me some of the projects his students were working on and we discussed working together on getting his BSAA class through NCAA approval. I learned a great deal about the different parts of a small engine in Brock Tarr's Ag Mechanics class and was able to listen to freshman compete over who got what breed of cattle for their projects in Travis Tarr's Intro to Ag Class. I always enjoy being in the classroom and seeing what our teachers are up to!