

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education
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September 2013 Report

On-Site Assistance – (7) High Schools (1) Community College (0) AITC Coalition

Chicago Ag Science HS
Manteno HS
Naperville Central HS
Oswego HS

Peotone HS
Ray Graham Occupational HS
Southside Occupational HS
Triton College

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 4 Participants – 105

- Culvers Owners, Rolling Meadows – 19
- Eisenhower HS Hort/Environment Club: Ag Careers, Eisenhower HS, Blue Island—18
- JJC Ag Transfer "Ag Ed" recruitment presentations, JJC, Joliet – 40
- Moraine EFE Elementary Educator Workshop, Oak Lawn – 28

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 9

- TREES EFE P&CC Committee, Golden Corral, Joliet
- Section 8 Vo-Ag Fair, Chicago Ag Science HS, Chicago
- Plainfield South HS Counselor Meeting, Plainfield
- Morris HS Counselor Meeting, Morris
- DesPlaines EFE Advisory Mtg, Triton College, River Grove
- IL AITC Coordinator meeting, Hawthorne Hotel, Champaign
- CHAS Advisory Committee, CHAS, Chicago
- Cook Co. AITC Advisory, Cook CFB, Countryside
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield

Other Activities

- Pack and move items from Urban FCAE Office (to close)
- Plan/organize TREES EFE/Will-Grundy Ag Literacy Book Program
- Plan & Host Urban Forestry CDE
- Attend various Culvers/FFA Promo Nights to teach Ag Careers
- 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 - 1320

Commentary

The Culvers nights I attended have proven to be very popular both with the customers I observed and the store owners. I think the FFA Members enjoyed getting to tell the story of agriculture. I'm very excited about the prospects for new programs that I have been developing, but they require a lot of my time to foster. I continue getting many requests for presentations in Will County, and unfortunately I cannot accommodate them all. One of my goals for the year is to encourage Will County AITC to hire a full (or at least part-time) presenter to help with these requests.