

**Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education**  
**Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor**  
**September 2014 Report**

**On-Site Assistance – (10) High Schools (0) Community College (2) AITC Coalition**

Chicago Ag Science HS	Naperville Central HS (x2)
Chicago Vocational HS	Oswego HS
DuPage Co. AITC (x2)	Tech Center of Dupage HS
Evanston Twp. HS	Yorkville Christian HS (x2)
John Marshall HS	

**Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 4 Participants – 99**

- Section 8 Leadership Training School – Chicago Ag HS, Chicago – 45
- EFE 60 Elementary Committee- AgEd resources, Prairie State College, Chicago Hts. – 8
- JJC Ag Careers Booth (AgEd Recruitment) – Joliet Jr. College, Joliet – 18
- Ag Careers Presentation – Loyola University, Chicago – 28

**Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 5**

- New Program Startup Meeting, Iroquois Elementary School, DesPlaines
- ILCAE Meeting – IAA Headquarters, Bloomington
- Districts 1 & 2 Ag Literacy Coordinator Meeting, Bureau Co. Extension, Princeton
- New Program Pitch meeting, Concordia University, River Forest
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield

**Other Activities**

- Prepped & Hosted Section 8 Urban Forestry CDE @ Morton Arboretum
- 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 - 1647**

**Commentary**

The year is starting out well for most of our schools, and from what I hear it's going very quickly for teachers. I have 10 new teachers, and 6 do not have an AgEd background, requiring a lot of extra time in answering questions and coaching through issues such as completing grants and FFA Rosters. They are catching on quickly, and hopefully those who chose not to take the Beginning Teacher Course this year will take it next year. As a group, I'm very happy about the enthusiasm of all of our first year teachers and their willingness to learn and invest time in their program.