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**2020 Fall Ag Teacher Section Meeting**

**District 2 FCAE Report**

Staffing updates - John Heiser, Riley Duckworth  
  
Distribute free pork and beef cuts meat posters and AITC calendars

1. [www.ILAgEd.org Website](http://www.ilaged.org)
   * Update Profile Info
     1. School Information including administrators, etc.
     2. Personal data, upload a photo
     3. Courses- enter at the bottom of your profile page. Use 8/1/20 as course start, 6/30/21 end.
     4. January- Add all 2nd-semester students to ILAgEd website or have students enter.
   * Course roster information entered BY STUDENTS each selecting a course by Oct. 1
     1. Use IL AgEd website- NOT AET or FFA.
     2. “How-to” videos are found in [Teach → Educator Resources](https://www.ilaged.org/educator-resources)
   * [Remote Learning Resources](https://www.ilaged.org/page.aspx?ID=4787)

1. FY21 Agricultural Education Line Item funding level - level funding at $5 million
2. Key legislative contacts list (Senate & House Appropriations)
   * Please make sure to send thank you notes for supporting agricultural education to your local Representative and Senator.
   * Invite legislators to chapter events.
     1. Local legislator finder -

<https://www.elections.il.gov/ElectionOperations/DistrictLocator/AddressFinder.aspx>

1. [Incentive Funding Grant](https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Agriculture-Education.aspx)
   * IWAS at ISBE.net - Set up accounts or request access from superintendent (if at a new school)
   * FY20 - Spend allocations
   * FY21 – IWAS budget will be loaded in August
   * Incentive Funding Grant available to start/operate middle school Ag programs.
2. [Three Circle FFA & SAE Grant](https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Agriculture-Education.aspx)
   * FY20
   * Record both START and END times (AET preferred). Type end time in the description field.
   * July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 - Grant time period for 400 hours.
3. Elite Conference - **September 17 - Virtual** 
   * Resources to encourage students to consider teaching Ag as career
   * Grade 9-12 and students could repeat

**DUE OCTOBER 1 in IL AgEd website** ([www.ILAgEd.org](http://www.ilaged.org))

* Course rosters entered (students select courses)
* FFA Membership submitted to State online
* FFA Dues submitted to State office
* FFA Strategic Plan submitted electronically

1. IAVAT Dues paid by **October 31st**
2. Improving Ag Ed Programs Grant - Not offering this year
3. ITCS Resources - order form
4. Agricultural Education Enrollment(a) and FFA Membership(b) Increase to Historical Highs
   1. 2016-17 - 31,655

2017-18 - 33,050

2018-19 - 34,285

2019-20 - 35,651 unduplicated students representing a 4% increase(1366)

* 1. 2016-17 - 17,535

2017-18 - 18,453

2018-19 - 19,099

2019-20 - 20,671 representing an 8% increase(1572)

10. On-Site and Virtual Assistance available

11. District Professional Development ideas

12. ISBE New Pathways and Course Matrix

13. Chapter visit exchange - Not available at the moment