

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education
Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor
April 2011 Report

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

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 4 Participants – 142
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- Section 10 Spring IAVAT Meeting – Clifton Central HS, Clifton – 13
- WILCO 8th Grade Career Expo – WILCO Career Center, Romeoville – 65
- Grundy Co. AITC Ag EXPO – Coal City Middle School, Coal City – 55
- Illinois State University Ag Ed Student Teacher Seminar – ISU, Normal – 9

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 14
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- River Valley-Momence FFA Banquet, Momence
- Illinois FFA State Awards Day, University of Illinois, Urbana
- District 1 AITC Coordinator Spring Meeting, Ronald Regan Birthplace, Tampico
- District 2 FFA Public Speaking CDE, JJC, Joliet
- TREES EFE P&CC Meeting, Golden Corral Restaurant, Joliet
- IL CTE Legislative Awareness Day, IL Capitol building, Springfield
- JJC Culinary Reception, JJC, Joliet
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield
- Tri-Point FFA Banquet, Tri-Point HS, Cullom
- Somonauk FFA Banquet, Somonauk HS, Somonauk
- Seneca FFA Banquet, Seneca HS, Seneca
- ISBE Common Core & Career Readiness Workshop, JJC City Center Campus, Joliet
- Blackhawk College Ag Dep't Meeting, Blackhawk College, Kewanee
- IAVAT Professional Development Teleconference

Other Activities

- Gathered and summarized Comm. College & Univ. data for 2011 Ag Education report
- Completed tasks for the P-20 Pipeline initiative.
- 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 - 1814

Commentary

I am excited to begin work on the Ag Industry Workforce P-20 Employee Pipeline project. I know it's a very large task, but I think it will give us critical employment data that will help both educators and industry prepare for the next 10-15 years. University data was returned early this year and looks good so far, as does the Community College data. I look forward to learning more about the Common Core initiative as the science objectives are released, I think it will be a good movement for Illinois Education to begin to incorporate this into our curriculum.