

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education
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April 2016 Report

On-Site Assistance – (22) High Schools (0) Community College (2) AITC Coalition

Belvidere HS	Lincoln-Way Central HS
Belvidere North HS	Lockport HS
Cook Co. AITC	Milford HS
Dwight Twp. HS	Naperville Central HS
Earlville HS	North Boone HS
Evanston Twp. HS	Peotone HS (X2)
Herscher HS	River Valley (Momence) HS
Harvard HS	Tri-Point HS
Hiawatha HS	Watseka HS
Hinckley-Big Rock HS	Will Co. AITC
Iroquois West HS	WILCO HS
Kaneland HS	

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 3 Participants – 215

- GMO Benefits presentation – Hadley Jr. High, Glen Ellyn – 160
- Big Rock Middle School Ag Careers – Big Rock MS, Big Rock – 15
- Animal Science Careers – Saratoga School, Morris – 40

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions –6

- Illinois Ag Education Roundtable Meeting – Eastland Suites, East Peoria
- ISU Ag Ed Advisory Committee- ISU, Normal
- The Talking Farm AgEd Program Startup meeting – The Talking Farm, Skokie
- FCAE Staff Meeting - Illinois FFA Center, Springfield
- Illinois FFA State Officer Selection Committee – Lincoln Land CC, Springfield
- Section 6 FFA Banquet & Teacher Meeting – DeKalb Co Farm Bureau, DeKalb

Other Activities

- Planned Illinois FFA Convention administrator hospitality room
- 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 - 2725

Commentary

April was a very busy month with school visits, teacher openings, assistance to Ag Literacy Coordinators, phone calls/emails with various teacher questions, and roster entry. I very much enjoyed having a Sycamore student spend the day with me on an Ag Education job shadow, and I think she enjoyed observing other Ag programs and a new teacher. I'm very worried about finding candidates for all our openings, and schools worry how the state budget impasse will affect their programs. 15 people have already enrolled in District 2 Vet Science in-service, and I'm looking forward to that event.