

**FACILITATING COORDINATION IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION - 4  
FEBRUARY 2020, SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR MEGAN COY**

**I. ON SITE ASSISTANCE – SCHOOLS – 6 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS – 1**

**SCHOOLS** – Blue Ridge- Farmer City, Eisenhower-Decatur, Heartland Tech Academy-Decatur, Oakwood, Shiloh, Unity-Tolono

**PARTNERSHIPS** – Cumberland County Ag in the Classroom

**II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED – 1 PARTICIPANTS – 26**

Decatur Andreas Ag Academy Rwanda Presentation- Servant Learning - 26

**III. MEETINGS/CONVENTIONS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED – 6**

State Staff Meeting, Decatur

ADM Meeting, Decatur

Ag Legislative Conference Call

Illinois FFA Alumni Conference, Springfield

Statewide Ag Literacy Coordinator Meeting, Bloomington

212 Conference, Decatur

Eastern Illinois Food Bank Conference Call

IAVAT Professional Development Committee Conference Call

**IV. MILES TRAVELED – Auto: 865**

**V. OTHER ACTIVITIES - 16**

Assisted Schools with 3 Circle & Incentive Funding Grant Questions/Issues

Updated Remind.com List of Deadlines

Posted Vacancy for Ag Teacher Positions at a Variety of Schools

Worked with Preservice Teachers from the University Illinois on Curriculum Resources and Lesson Plan Development

Assisted Educator License with Stipulation (ELS) Candidate Work on Licensure

Developed and Shared Information and Resources for District IV Agriscience Fair and Ag Ed Career Development Event (CDE)

Assisted Teacher with Agriculture Education Tracker (AET) Record Book Questions/ State Degree Questions

Updated the Ag Ed Website with New Teacher Pictures

Coordinated Teachers for Project with Eastern Illinois Food Bank

Researched and Developed State Teach Ag Results (STAR) Project Information

Developed a list of FFA Week Resources for Teachers

Assisted with Coordination and Running of Invitational Vet Science CDE and Section 16 CDE

Worked with Recruitment and Retention Committee on Spring Branch Information

Followed up with Teachers and Administrators on Various Informational Requests

Contacted and Set Meetings with Ag in the Classroom Partnerships this Spring

Completed Monthly Reports

**VI. COMMENTARY**

Vacancies in District IV seem to be higher than they usually are at this time of the year. Part of that is due to growth, with four schools adding additional agriculture teachers and a new program being added. We also have four retirements, which adds to the higher number of vacancies. This year is a smaller class of Ag Ed graduates statewide, but we project one of our largest classes next year. It is important to continue to encourage people to explore agriculture education as a career.