



## National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference

Hershey, Pennsylvania

June 23-27, 2014

### County Farm Bureau Teacher Sponsorship Application

The National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference is being hosted in our backyard this year in Hershey, Pennsylvania. This relatively short distance to the conference opens up the opportunity for our New York State teachers to partake in a professional development opportunity like no other.

The conference includes engaging presentation, tours, keynote speakers, and networking which will provide exceptional learning opportunities for teachers. It will increase their comfort level in agricultural topics and also spark ideas for integrating agricultural content into instruction to meet academic standards in Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, Math, and Health/Nutrition. Learn more about the 2014 conference and previous conference proceedings at <http://www.agclassroom.org/conference2014/index.htm>.

The following application is due on March 21, 2014 to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Eligibility:** Teachers must be employed by a school system and currently teaching in grades K-12 in the United States, and planning to continue to teach in the 2014-2015 school year.

#### Application Guidelines:

- Scholarship application must be completed and submitted via e-mail by March 21, 2014.
- Applicants must reside or work in the county where they are submitting their application.
- Recipients will receive their conference registration and lodging in a double occupancy hotel room (\$800 value). Single occupancy hotel rooms are available, but the remaining balance will be the responsibility of the teacher.
- Transportation to Hershey will be provided at central meeting points across the state, courtesy of New York Agriculture in the Classroom.
- Meals not included in the conference program will be the responsibility of the teacher.

#### Selection Criteria:

- Applicant describes in detail the importance of embedding agricultural literacy in their curriculum.
- Applicant communicates valid and unique reasons for why they want to attend the conference.
- Applicant explains how the experiences gained will be used after the conference.



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**Name:**

**Home Address:**

**County:**

**Cell Phone:**

**E-Mail Address:**

**School Name:**

**Grade(s) and/or subject you teach:**

**Essay Question 1:**

- Why would you like to attend the 2014 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference?

**Please choose two of the three essay questions to answer below:**

- Why do you believe it is important for teachers and students to be agriculturally literate?
- Do you currently use agriculture in your curriculum? If yes, please explain the current agricultural applications and future possibilities. If no, explain the places in your curriculum where you see potential agricultural applications and future possibilities.
- How do you plan to integrate the information and experiences gained from the conference in your classroom and with others in the 2014-2015 school year?

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