

Professional Development For Educators

Earn PDCH credits while engaging in interactive, hands-on experiences. Workshops will be held 4 to 6 p.m. at the Cook County Farm Bureau. Custom onsite workshops are available for school districts with a minimum of ten participants.

Ag Curriculum: Thursday, Sept. 29, 2022
"Ag-citing Ways to Add Ag to Your Curriculum"

Learn fun ways to integrate agricultural topics into your curriculum through book and project grant applications. Free resources and activities will be offered.

Fall: Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022

"Thankful for Food and Harvest"

Thanksgiving dinner and its harvesting process will be explained with lesson plans and activities.

Winter: Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022

"Branching Out into Tree Science"

Topics include tree science, agroforestry, Christmas tree farms, and more.

Spring: Wednesday, March 8, 2023

"Earth, Water, and Soil"

Incorporate soil and water conservation into your classroom's Earth Day celebration.



Summer Ag Institute

Join your peers in education to tour farms and agribusinesses, learning how to connect ag to your curriculum. Experiences and activities will allow you to walk away with materials aligned to NGSS/Common Core. Earn PDCH credits, additional fee for grad credits.

Who We Are

Ag in the Classroom is part of the Cook County Farm Bureau®, a non-for-profit membership organization created by farmers that serves the farm and non-farm public.

Our Ag Literacy Mission

"To expand students' awareness and appreciation for the importance of agriculture everywhere."



For all educational resources,
visit bit.ly/AgLesson



For membership information, visit
www.cookcfb.org



BRING AGRICULTURE TO YOUR SCHOOL

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Ag in the Classroom

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OR VIRTUAL LIVE

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FREE PROGRAMS

Intro to Illinois Ag Part One - 4th Grade



This 60-minute interactive presentation includes:

- Teaching students how agriculture provides food, fiber, and energy.
- Review food supply chain including production, processing, manufacturing, and distribution of goods and services.
- Examples of science and technology used by agriculture such as robotics, drones, and GPS systems.

Next Generation Science Standards: Earth & Human Activity 4-ESS3.A • Structure & Processes 4-LS1-1 • Social Science Standards: SS.G.3.4, SS.EC.2.4, SS.G.1.4: Common Core Science Standards: SL.4.1 • SL.4.3, RI.4.3 4.4, 4.5 Math.Content.4.MD.A.1, 4.NF.B.4

Seasonal Programs Grades 1-4

30-minute VIRTUAL LIVE

Pumpkin and Apple Fall Facts

Examine the growth and development of fall specialty crops.

Keeping Warm with Agriculture

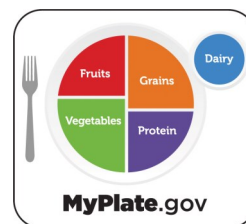
Learn how food and fiber are grown to keep us warm during winter.

There's AG on MyPlate Part Two - 4th Grade

This 60-minute follow-up program is designed to engage students in thoughtful discussion and activities by:

- Tracing a product from farm to table through a wheat dissection/grinding activity.
- Discussing the importance of a balanced diet through a food journal exercise.
- Learning to read food labels and make comparisons to identify healthy choices.

NGSS: Structure & Process 4-LS1-A, Natural Resources 4-ESS3-1-ESS3 Common Core State Standards ELA-Literacy, RI.4.4 W.4.2; W.4.2d; SL.4.1b; SL.4.1c; SL.4.1d; SL.4.3; L.4.3a-1



Careers in Agriculture Grades 6-12



Farm Shadow Program

An opportunity for middle and high school students to gain valuable insight into potential agriculture careers, such as engineering, science, nutrition, and horticulture. Options may include classroom and virtual presentations or hands-on experiences. Call or email for more information.



FREE Teacher Resources

Multidisciplinary Agricultural Integrated Curriculum Kits (mAGic)

Our learning kits are multidisciplinary, all inclusive, and designed to bring agriculture to life in your classroom. We provide lesson plans, along with supplementary supplies (if needed) in the subject areas of: **Soil•Illinois•Plants•Insects/Pollinators**

Ag Mags Non-fiction, four-page readers introduce ag science, careers, livestock, and more! Free classroom sets of 30. Shipping rates may apply.



Ag Day Spring 2023 (Third Grade)

This free two-hour farm program will rotate students through learning stations to help them understand the importance of Illinois ag. Program provides pre and post engagement activities. Transportation required.

Bookmark Contest

Reinforce student learning while showcasing their creative side. Due: May 1, 2023.

<https://bit.ly/bookmark-2023>

