

Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher Supplement Grant Program

The Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation, in partnership with the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, offers grants up to \$250 to support the integration of agriculture into regular classroom instruction or after school programs with an academic focus. Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher Supplement Grants are designed to initiate new projects or expand existing projects that promote agriculture literacy. Grants can be used to fund innovative lessons, activities, classroom resources, guest speakers, outreach programs, field trips, and other projects.

Eligibility Guidelines

- Preschool through 12th grade teachers, school librarians, and Homeschool Assistance Programs (HSAP).
 - Applying preschool teachers should be from nonprofit organizations if not affiliated with a school district.
- Homeschool programs tied to a co-op program.
- Projects must teach agriculture through Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Studies.
- Project must take place between January 15 and June 4, 2023. Please note: successful applicants won't be notified until Feb. 1 so you may want to wait if your project depends on IALF funding.
- A teacher may not apply for more than one grant per year.
- Teachers with overdue follow-up reports from a previous grant award are not eligible to receive funding.
- Grant money cannot be used for fund raising efforts, political issues, or campaigns.

Grant Timeline

- Applications due by January 9, 2023, 11:59 p.m.
- Successful applicants will be notified by February 1, 2023.
- Funding will be distributed by February 17, 2023.
- Final wrap-up reports and at least one photo of the project must be submitted by June 9, 2023.

Wrap-Up Report Content

As part of this grant, you will be required to submit a wrap-up report at the conclusion of your project. Following are some of the questions you will be asked. Please plan to capture this information as you progress through your project.

- How many minutes did your students spend learning about agriculture?
- How many students participated in this program?
- Grades of students
- Provide a brief summary project with specific examples from your class (300 words).
- Did you make any adjustments to the project's scope? If so, why.
- What were the outcomes of the learning experience? (qualitative and/or quantitative, where possible)
- Upload at least one photo

Purchase Eligibility

Items eligible for purchase with this grant include, but are not limited to:

- *Iowa Ag Today* publications from the Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation: <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/iowaAgricultureLiteracyFounda/AgToday.html>
- Books from our recommended list to add to your library: <http://www.iowaagliteracy.org/resources/lending-library/lending-library.aspx>
- Kits from the AgClassroomStore: <https://agclassroomstore.com/>
- Books, kits, other resources from the American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture store: <https://www.dmsfulfillment.com/FarmBureau/DMSSStore/Product/Products>

For additional information about agriculture literacy resources available to Iowa educators, visit www.iowaagliteracy.org.

Wait!

Before you start your application read the following:

- You can save and come back to finish the application as often as necessary prior to the submission deadline.
- After you submit your application, you will be able to log-in to print or revise until the submission deadline.
- Each teacher applying for a grant must complete a separate application, even if the project is the same.
- The applying teacher is responsible for preparation and completion of the application.
- Grant submission does not guarantee funding. Partial funds may be awarded.
- As a grant applicant, you will be added to our e-newsletter to learn more about other agriculture literacy resources.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Anderson at 515-225-5462 or by email at manderson@iowaagliteracy.org.