

Indiana Farm Bureau Agriculture Education and Promotion Development Grant

The purpose of this grant is to aid county Farm Bureaus or Farm Bureau members and educators that do not have adequate funds for a new program, activity, or to attend an event that enhances the promotion of agriculture and education. Program examples could include, but are not limited to, books for classrooms, incubator systems, supplies for school gardens, etc. Event examples may include the National Ag in the Classroom Conference, AFBF Women's Communication Boot Camp, summer educational programs, specialized educational conferences, etc. Please provide sufficient details and information about your program to give the judges a clear picture of your plans and expectations.

Indiana Farm Bureau will be awarding <u>two</u> \$250 grants during the spring cycle of this grant. Applications are due April 15, 2024. Click <u>here</u> to apply.

Indiana Ag Literacy Week & National Ag Day

Indiana Ag Literacy Week will be March 17-21 in conjunction with National Ag Day which is Tuesday, March 18. This year's National Ag Day theme is "Agriculture: Together We Grow." Visit www.agday.org for pre-made social media posts and event planning ideas.

Suggested Indiana Ag Literacy Week Activities:

Monday: Make a Donation

 Kick off the week by making a donation of agricultural literacy books to a local school, library, hospital, or after school group.

Tuesday: Social Media Post

 Make a social media post celebrating National Ag Day.
Share your story involving agriculture, your involvement in Indiana Farm Bureau or information about the 2025 Book of the Year, Right This Very Minute: A table-to-farm book about food and farming.

Wednesday: Share the Facts

 Share agricultural literacy resources with classroom teachers.

Thursday: Visit a Classroom

 Utilize the Indiana Farm Bureau Book of the Year and Educator's Guide to plan a lesson at your local school.

Friday: Contact your legislator

 Contact your legislator and remind them of the importance of the agriculture industry and agricultural education.



NEW: Indiana Agtivity Sheets

Each month, Bulletin Board subscribers will get an exclusive look at Indiana Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom's newest learning tool—Indiana Agtivity Sheets. These one-page fact sheets highlight various livestock and crops that are produced in Indiana. The fact sheets include fun activities as well as lesson extensions. The Indiana Agtivity Sheets also will be available on the Indiana Farm Bureau website to download and print for educational and classroom uses.

This month's Agtivity Sheets:







Educational Partner Highlight: American Dairy Association Indiana

The American Dairy Association Indiana offers educators various free classroom tools to promote dairy within Indiana Classrooms. Some examples are:

Winners Drink Milk video:



To learn more about this racing tradition, visit winnersdrinkmilk.com/community/milk-tradition/.

- The <u>Ag Education Toolkit</u> is a great resource to use when planning ag days, county fair events and more.
- Participate in live virtual farm tours. Visit this link for the latest schedule.