



Ag Literacy Challenge Grant Rubric:

Evaluators will use the following criteria to score submitted applications for the Ag Literacy Challenge Grant:

Section	Criteria	Points
The "Why"	The "Why" behind the project is	5
	clear.	
	The "Why" behind the project is	3
	adequate.	
	The "Why" behind the project is	1
	unclear.	
Budget Outline	The budget clearly defines how	5
	the grant money will be used	
	and indicates good stewardship	
	of grant funds.	
	The budget is adequately	3
	described and indicates some	
	stewardship of the grant funds.	
	The budget lacks description	1
	and does not indicate good	
	stewardship of the grant funds.	
Goals	Three or more goals are well-	5
	defined using a SMART model	
	(specific, measurable,	
	attainable, realistic and time).	
	Three goals are vaguely	3
	identified and SMART elements	
	are missing.	
	Less than three goals are	1
	identified and components of	
	SMART goals are missing.	
Program Description	The program is described in	5
	detail including but not limited	
	to:	
	 Who will plan the 	
	program?	
	 Who will attend the 	
	program?	

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	Where will the program	
	take place?	
	How long will the	
	program last?	
	 What will participants 	
	experience at the	
	program?	
	The program is adequately	3
	described but one or two details	
	are missing.	
	The program is poorly	1
	described, and more than two	
	details are missing.	
Innovation and Growth	The proposed program is	5
	innovative and will provide	
	growth opportunities for the	
	FFA or 4-H members.	
	The proposed program will	3
	benefit participants, but	
	innovation and growth	
	opportunities for FFA or 4-H	
	members are lacking.	
	The proposed program does not	1
	show innovation or growth	
	opportunities for FFA or 4-H	
	members.	
Spelling and Grammar	Application is free of any	3
	spelling or grammatical errors.	
	Spelling and/or grammatical	2
	errors were noted but did not	
	distract from the content of the	
	application.	
	Numerous spelling and/or	1
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	grammatical errors were noted	
	and distracted from the content	
	of the application.	