

**National Agriculture In The Classroom**

**Conference**

**Scholarship Application**

*Salt Lake City, Utah •*  *June 23-26, 2020*

**Agriculture in the Classroom** (AITC) provides educators a wealth of resources for integrating agriculture, nutrition and natural resource education into the K-12 curriculum. AITC programs improve student achievement by using innovative, hands-on, relatable lessons that intrigue students while teaching core curriculum concepts in science, social studies, language arts, math and nutrition. This conference showcases the best ideas and latest resources ready for your classroom from across the country.



**Scholarship Details:**

* The scholarship includes the cost of a single Early Bird Registration, up to 4 nights lodging at the conference hotel as well as a $550 travel allowance. Meals are not included in the conference registration. Any additional or miscellaneous expenses will be the responsibility of the recipient. This scholarship is valued at approximately $1,500.
* This conference will provide approximately 20+ PGP points toward educator license renewal, if the teacher’s license is eligible to be renewed using Professional Growth Plan points (ex. State of Indiana House Enrolled Act 1002).

**Scholarship Eligibility:**

* Any licensed pre-K through 12th grade educator currently teaching in a public or private school or college student currently majoring in education is eligible to apply. Preference may be given to applicants that are current members of Indiana Farm Bureau.
* Any active AITC volunteer that has a completed volunteer registration and signed code of conduct on file with the Indiana Farm Bureau AITC program. Applicate must also have submitted at least one classroom or event presentation activity report for 2019 to be eligible for scholarship award.

**Conference** **Information:** An agenda and conference details is available on the conference website: <https://www.agclassroom.org/conferences/index.cfm> (Available in early 2020.)

**Scholarship Accountability:**

Recipients must complete an after-conference report. The report is required in order to be reimbursed for travel expenses. Scholarship winners will be notified of report requirements prior to the national conference.

**Selection Criteria:** Application evaluators will be asked to score the applications according to the following criteria:

1. Applicant describes in detail the importance of embedding agricultural literacy in his/her curriculum. (40 pts)
2. Applicant communicates valid and unique reason(s) for why he/she wants to attend the conference. (40 pts)
3. Applicant explains how the experiences gained will be used after the conference (20 pts).

Please return completed application via email to: inaitc@infb.org

**Applications must be received via by midnight on February 1, 2020. No late, postal mail or fax entries accepted.**

*Questions: inaitc@infb.org*

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| **Contact Information:** |
| Name: |  |  |  |
| Phone: |  | County of residence: |  |
| Home Address: |  |
| Email Address: |  |
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| Are you an Indiana Farm Bureau Member? | Yes | No | Membership Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |
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| Applicate Type: | Licensed Educator | Indiana Farm Bureau AITC Volunteer |
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| Licensed Educator Information |  |  |  |
| School: |  | City/Town: |  |
| School Corporation:  |  |
| Grade(s) taught:  |  | Subject(s) taught: |  |
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| Have you previously attended the National AITC Conference? | Yes | No |  |
| If yes to the above questions, what year did you attend National AITC Conference? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |
| Do you currently use AITC materials, activities, or books in your lessons? |  | Yes | No |
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| Volunteer Information |  |  |  |
| County |  |  |  |
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| Have you completed an AITC activity for 2019? | Yes | No |  |
| Have you previously attended the National AITC Conference? | Yes | No |  |
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| Do you currently use AITC materials, activities, or books in your lessons? |  | Yes | No |
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| **Please answer each of the following questions.** *You may add up to one additional page for your answers.* |
| 1. Why do you believe it is important for students to know and learn about agriculture?
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| 1. 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.
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| 1. In what subject areas are you looking to include agriculture topics into your curriculum? What is one way that you think you may be able to integrate agriculture into your lessons and activities for the 2020-21 school year?
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| 1. Why would you like to attend that 2020 National AITC Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah?
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