Agricultural Education implements inquiry-based learning in the classroom and career exploration through work study and supervised agricultural experience programs. It develops leadership skills such as public speaking, teamwork, organization and civic service through the intracurricular implementation of FFA.

Students who participate in agricultural education programs graduate with the skills necessary to become productive citizens who will succeed in postsecondary education or the workforce.

**Secondary Education**

- 52,257 students in Agricultural Education Courses
- 383 agriculture teachers
- 285 high school agricultural education programs
- 82 middle school agriculture education programs
- 183 students enrolled per program on average

*Courses offered* (in order of highest enrollment)
- Basic Agricultural Science
- General Horticulture
- Animal Science & Biotechnology
- Agricultural Mechanics
- Forest Science
- Plant Science and Biotechnology
- Agricultural Animal Production
- Agricultural Mechanics II & III
- Wildlife
- Nursery Landscaping
- Floriculture
- Small Animal Care
- Agriculture Business
- Veterinary Technology
- Equine Science

**Postsecondary & Adult**

*Georgia Young Farmers Association*

Focusing on crop, cattle, forestry, agriculture business management and horticulture related instruction

- 5000 young adults/young farmers enrolled per year
- 52 Young Farmer program instructors

*Postsecondary Agriculture Programs*

- 11 four-year colleges and technical schools offering postsecondary agriculture courses
- 100 students enrolled in pre-service Agricultural Education certification at the both the University of Georgia and Fort Valley State University

**Economic Impact of Agriculture**

The #1 sector of the Ag Industry in Georgia is Poultry and Egg production 2nd ranked in total acreage and production of cotton.

Ag industry contributed **$65 Billion** yearly to the Georgia Economy. Agriculture Education students supervised agricultural experience programs added **$61 million** directly to the state economy.

Georgia grows nearly **1/2** of all peanuts produced in the country.

Urban Agriculture practices create **87,000** jobs and contribute **$7.8 billion** to the economy.

87% of all Georgia farms are family owned.

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