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WHO WE ARE



**NAAE wants YOU to become
an agricultural educator.**

Welcome to the #TeachAg Student Interactive Notebook!
Inside, you'll find fun activities that help you picture yourself as an agriculture teacher and explore the aspects of this phenomenal career. This notebook is also a great way to celebrate your amazing agriculture teacher and all the cool things they do. Jump in, get inspired, and see if teaching agriculture might be the future for you!

**Agricultural educators are in high demand,
and we need you in the classroom!**

What is the National Association of Agricultural Educators?

The National Association of Agricultural Educators is a federation of state agricultural educators associations with more than 10,000 members. Our members are involved in school-based agricultural education at any level, from middle school through postsecondary, and state and national agricultural education leadership. We advocate for agricultural education, provide professional development for agricultural educators, and work to recruit and retain agricultural educators in the profession. We offer a variety of programs and services to support this three-pronged mission.

CREATE A PERSONAL INVENTORY

In the space below, let's take an inventory of the skill set you currently have, this could be a great tool to help you build a resume.

What are my strengths?

What skills do I possess?

What interests me?

What's important to me?

What agriculture classes have I taken?

What organizations/clubs am I involved in?

AG ED 101

Teaching agriculture gives you the opportunity to work with MANY organizations and provide MANY opportunities to students. Below, let's match the definitions to the term. Draw a line from the definition to the matching term.

TERMS

SAE

National Association
of Agricultural
Educators

MANRRS

4-H

My Local
Cooperative

CDEs and LDEs

Local Fair Board

NAAE #TeachAg

National FFA
Organization

DEFINITIONS

The professional association in the United States for agricultural educators. This organization provides its more than 9,000 members with professional networking and development opportunities, and extensive awards and recognition programs.

A student leadership organization of more than 1,000,000 members across the nation. This organization makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

A group of individuals that manage and operate a county fair and publish the Fair Premium Book every year.

Students taking agriculture classes develop one of these, in cooperation with their agriculture teacher, to develop entrepreneurship, record keeping and employment skills.

A collaborative project of NAAE and the CHS Foundation that seeks to advance agriculture cooperatives.

An initiative led by NAAE to raise awareness of the need to recruit and retain high quality and diverse agriculture teachers, encourage others to consider a career teaching agriculture and celebrate the positive contributions agriculture teachers make in our schools and communities.

A national society that welcomes membership of people of all racial and ethnic group participation in agricultural and related sciences careers.

Contests that help students develop the abilities to think critically, communicate clearly, and perform effectively in a competitive job market.

A youth development program that's available in the United States and over 80 other countries. It's open to young people ages 5–19 who want to learn new skills, have fun, and explore the world.

#TEACHAG WORD SEARCH

There may be hidden qualities within yourself that would make you a ROCKSTAR ag teacher. Find below 20 hidden words that relate to being an ag teacher. Option: Pick a partner and see who can find all of the words in the shortest amount of time.

S	H	A	P	I	N	G	T	H	E	F	U	T	U	R	E	I	Y	J	B
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B	N	N	I	O	E	L	J	J	H	A	X	I	N	E	N	K	U	P	N
F	E	A	O	P	Z	D	N	C	D	T	Q	T	C	M	O	N	Y	Q	U
P	M	M	N	D	I	X	X	V	X	I	J	O	E	L	G	J	N	L	Q

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Agriscience
Best Career Ever
Boundless Classroom
Certification
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Leadership
Leading
Learning
Limitless Learning
Make a Difference

Mentor
Motivate
My Local Cooperative
SAE
Shaping the Future
Teach Ag

WHY TEACH AGRICULTURE?

Have you ever thought about becoming an agriculture teacher?

Teaching agriculture is the BEST. CAREER. EVER!

Agriculture teachers never have the same day twice. One day, you may be in the classroom or laboratory, the next visiting students in the field, preparing teams for a FFA Leadership Development Event, or leading a community service activity with their Junior MANRRS Chapter.

Agriculture teachers...

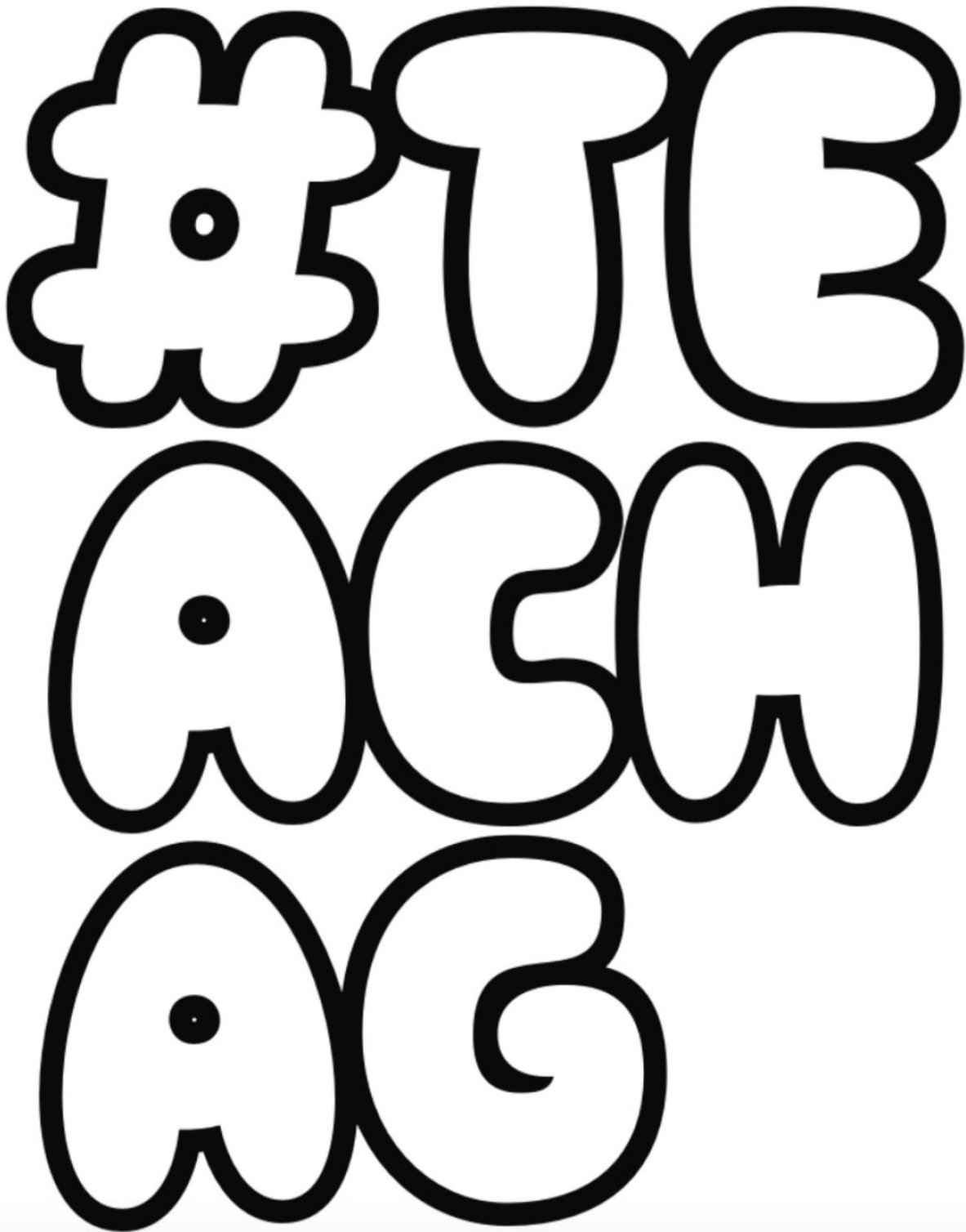
- Teach by doing, not just telling.
- Share their passion for agriculture.
- Create lessons that are hands-on.
- Travel in state, nationally, and even internationally.
- Teach about cutting edge topics, like cloning, satellite mapping, biofuels, alternative energy and more.
- Work with emerging technology from agribusiness companies.
- Make a positive difference in the lives of students.
- Develop lasting relationships with colleagues across the country.

**Want to learn more
about becoming an
agriculture teacher?
Scan the QR Code to
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#TeachAg Campaign!**



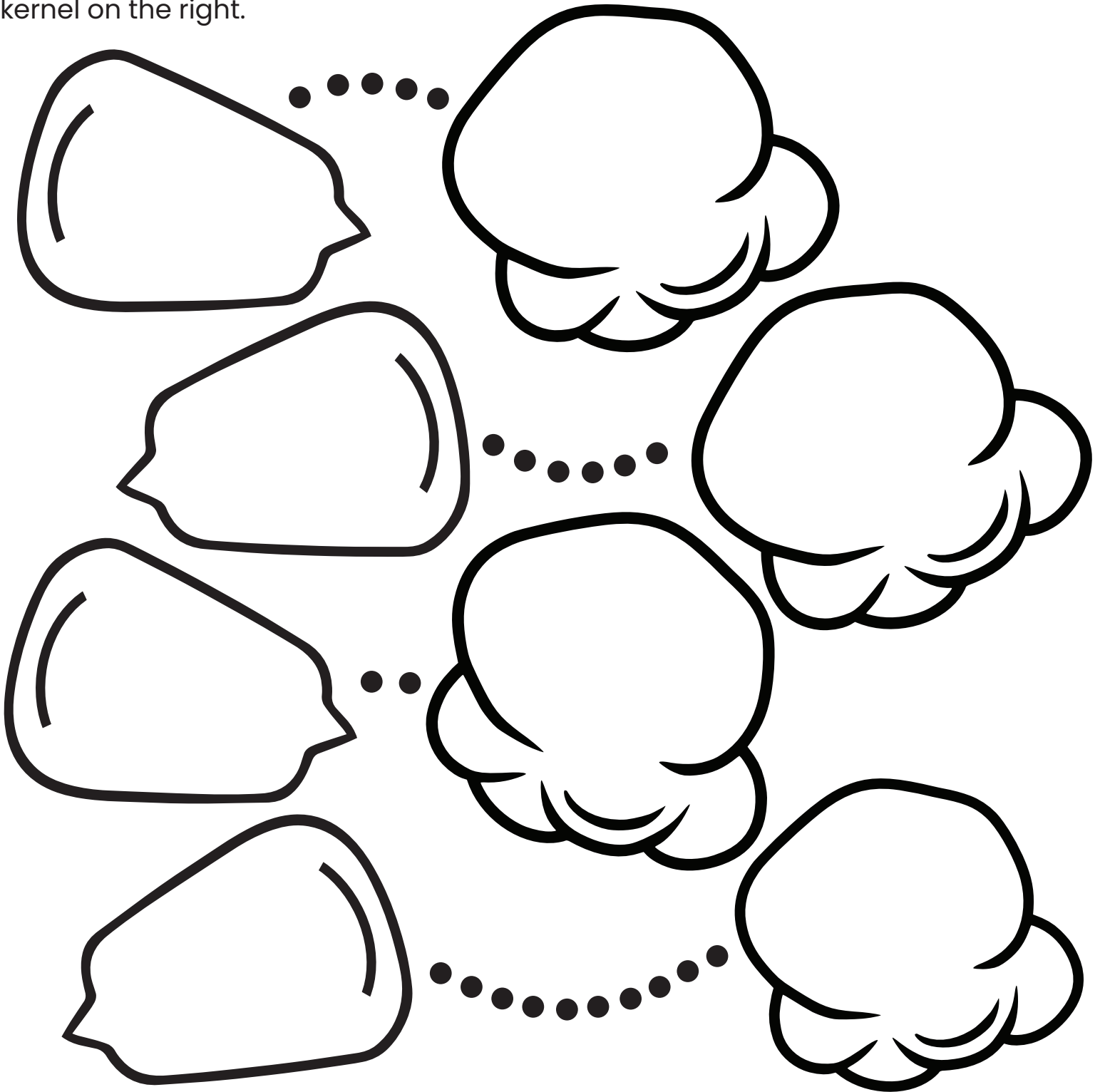
#TEACHAG BUBBLE LETTERS

On the previous page there were many reasons to #TeachAg. Using the space in the bubble letters write as many reasons you can think of to #TeachAg. Challenge: Pick a partner and challenge each other with the amount of reasons. The person with the most reasons win!



POPCORN INTERVIEW WITH AN AGRICULTURE TEACHER

In each unpopped corn kernel on the left, think of one question you'd like to ask your agriculture teacher about their career and write it down in the kernel. Once you ask them your question, record their response in the corresponding popped kernel on the right.



THE #TEACHAG ALPHABET

Think of a word for each letter of the alphabet related to teaching agriculture and write it below.

A _____

B _____

C _____

D _____

E _____

F _____

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M _____

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X _____

Y _____

Z _____

CREATE AN AG TEACHER CREATURE

What does it take to create the ultimate agriculture teacher? What special characteristics does an agriculture teacher possess? Build the perfect agriculture teacher creature. Do they have really big ears for listening? A heart made of gold? Ten hands to help every student? You decide!

THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME GROW

Using the graphic below, list your five favorite things about your agriculture class. When it's complete use scissors to cut on the dotted line and give to your agriculture teacher to hang your answers somewhere in your classroom!



Name: _____



Thank you for helping me **grow!**

Here are my five favorite things about my agriculture class.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

AG TEACHER'S CREED



I am an agricultural educator by choice and not by chance.

I believe in American agriculture; I dedicate my life to its development and the advancement of its people.

I will strive to set before my students by my deeds and actions the highest standards of citizenship for the community, state and nation.

I will endeavor to develop professionally through study, travel and exploration.

I will not knowingly wrong my fellow teachers. I will defend them as far as honesty will permit.

I will work for the advancement of agricultural education and I will defend it in my community, state and nation.

I realize that I am a part of the school system. I will work in harmony with school authorities and other teachers of the school.

My love for youth will spur me on to impart something from my life that will help make for each of my students a full and happy future.

MY PERSONAL CREED

After reading the Ag Teacher's Creed on the previous page, pick one line of the creed. In the space below, explain how the line you selected aligns with a belief or value that you possess.

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DESIGN YOUR DREAM CLASSROOM

Imagine you have the opportunity to create the perfect agriculture classroom—one that has everything you need to be an amazing agriculture teacher. Answer each question in the tools below to help you shape your dream classroom. Each tool below includes a question to help you shape your dream classroom.

What classes are you teaching?

What materials and equipment will your classroom include?

What is your is your teacher must-have?

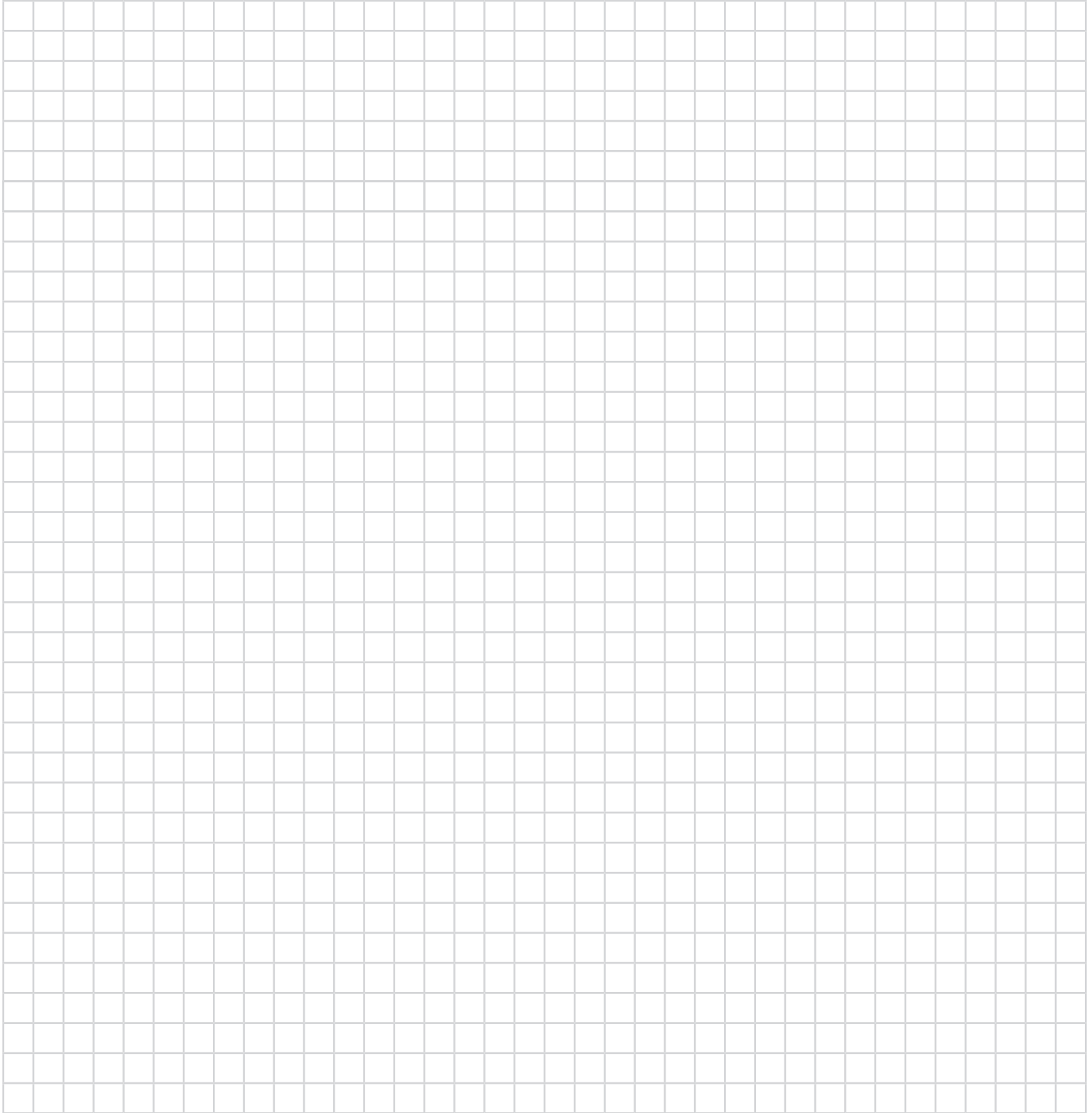
What type of seating would your classroom include? Tables? Desks? Lab Stations?

What kind of vibe do you want your classroom to have?

What will your teacher desk area be like?

DRAW YOUR DREAM CLASSROOM

Now that you determined what is important to you in your dream classroom on the previous page, let's draw your perfect agriculture classroom! Be creative and have fun designing a classroom that's perfect for you and your future students!



A LETTER TO MY AGRICULTURE TEACHER

Agriculture teachers provide opportunities for growth and limitless learning. They are there for your brightest moments and the most challenging times. They challenge you, cheer you on, and push you to your fullest potential. They believe in you, encourage you, and most importantly they will always be there for you (yes, even after you graduate). Write a letter to your ag teacher thanking them for the countless hours they pour into you, your program, and community. Think about how they've inspired and impacted you.

Dear _____,

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Sincerely,
