

Teach Ag Workshop Outline: Find a Career That is Out of This World: #TeachAg

Theme: Teaching Ag is Out of This World

Time: 45-50 minutes

Materials Needed:

- Markers
- Big Roll of Paper (Long enough to trace an outline of a person)
- Poster Paper
- Music Playlist (Bottom of Outline)
- Speaker

Objectives:

1. Upon completion of this workshop students will be able to define the strengths and qualities an Agricultural Educator possess.
2. Upon completion of this workshop students will create connections between agricultural education as a career and themselves.
3. Upon completion of this lesson students will identify qualities that they have and rationale behind why they would be great Agricultural Educators.

Introduction (10 Minutes)

Ice Breaker:	Space. Pretty cool right? Today we are going to have to use our imagination to travel to a galaxy far far away! We are going into space to visit a new planet that will require each of you to become agriculture teachers... but in space. You are going to find your constellations from the posters around the room when I say go. Stand next to the poster with your correct birthdate.
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Activity (20 Minutes)

There will be three different activities today to determine if we will be able to save the #TeachAg Galaxy! Will you accept this mission?

Mission 1: (10) minutes)	ET, Phone Home. How many of you have seen the movie ET? When they first discover ET, they realize that he doesn't communicate with words but in pictures. You've landed on this new planet and discovered LIFE! However, these aliens don't know how to communicate with words.
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	<p>To communicate with our new alien friends, you are going to create 5 symbols or pictures that represent what agriculture teachers do.</p> <p>You will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Get a poster 2. Brainstorm in your group 5 images or symbols to represent what agriculture teachers do. 3. Designate 2 people from your group to share your images when I ask.
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<p>Mission Two: (15 minutes)</p>	<p>Space Mission</p> <p>After trying to communicate with our new alien pals, you have discovered a hole in your space suit! You are now going to have to come up with an entirely new spacesuit specific for ag teachers to save the galaxy!</p> <p>When I say Rocket Man, you will do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Designate one person in your group to be the outline of the space suit. 2. Grab a sheet of paper that will be big enough to trace their outline 3. Design a space suit with special characteristics that agriculture teachers would need to teach agriculture to our aliens,.
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Time to Talk with our Space Station Experts: Teacher Panel Q&A: (20 minutes)

<p>Panel:</p>	<p>We will ask 5-6 teachers to serve on this panel. This panel will be comprised of agricultural educators from across the nation. These teachers will be of all different experience levels and will be given these questions to prepare prior to the workshop. Teachers will be standing. Once a question is asked, teachers will go down the row to answer. We will ask all teachers to try to keep their responses to a minute each. 2-3 teachers will answer a question once asked. Questions will be taken from the audience. If there aren't any questions from the audience, there are prepared questions.</p> <p>*During question one, teachers will introduce themselves, years of experience, and where they are from.</p> <p>Prepared Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What do you think is the most rewarding portion of this career? 2. What would you say to someone in the crowd today that is interested in becoming an Agricultural Educator? 3. What is the best story you have from the classroom? (Sentimental, Funny, Embarrassing, etc.) <p>The audience may have other questions as well. Feel free to pass a microphone around or allow students to stand up and ask questions. Always make sure that those who ask questions introduce themselves and state where they are from.</p>
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Wrap Up & Reflection- (5 minutes)

Debrief	<p>It's time to debrief over our missions today and come back to earth.</p> <p>Within your group you will do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Get another poster. 2. At the top of the poster, write Teaching Agriculture is Out of This World Because..... everyone in the group must write something to finish the sentence.
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Workshop Music Playlist:

Introduction Songs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rocket Man- Elton John 2. Drops of Jupiter- Train 3. Beam me Up
Activity Songs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extra-Terrestrial- Katy Perry 2. Starships- Nikki Minaj 3. Let's Dance- David Bowie 4. Slow Ride- Foghat 5. Maneater- Daryl Hall & John Oates
Reflection Songs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hold My Hand- Lady Gaga 2. Take My Breath Away- Berlin