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### **Duncanville High School Agricultural Program Awarded Nursery and Landscape Instruction Grant**

**November 15, 2007, LEXINGTON, KY** – Duncanville High School’s agricultural program, in Duncanville, Texas, is one of six programs across the country that has been awarded a 2007 Nursery and Landscape Instruction Grant from the American Nursery Landscape Association (ANLA).

After five years of working to re-build the horticulture program at Duncanville High School, Marilyn Seidlitz, agricultural instructor, wanted to utilize the area around the school’s new greenhouse to establish flower beds, walkways and a koi pond. By creating these installations, Seidlitz hoped to teach students about the type of work involved in a horticultural career.

“This project’s objectives are to leave students with a feeling of accomplishment and knowledge for future goals,” said Seidlitz. Once the installations are completed, students will help maintain the area. “Management of the facility will be developed with advanced students being given more opportunity and responsibility...that will help them in their future horticulture endeavors.”

The ANLA “Enhancing Nursery and Landscape Instruction” grant is awarded annually to one member from each of the National Association of Agricultural Educators’ six regions. The National Association of Agricultural Educators is the professional organization for agricultural educators in the United States. The mission of NAAE is “professionals providing agricultural education for the global community through visionary leadership, advocacy and service.”

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