



# NATIONAL TEACH AG DAY CELEBRATIONS

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California Teach Ag sent Welcome to the Profession cards to 80 new agriculture teachers. Each card included photos and words of wisdom from five veteran teachers. California Teach Ag also sent out 2000 email blasts highlighting and welcoming these teachers to the profession.



The Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council (MAELC) sent a thank you letter and Teach Ag poster to each of the 260 agricultural education programs in the state of Minnesota.



Ms. Jessie Shafer, agriculture teacher at Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District in Confluence, PA, held a teacher appreciation breakfast, hosted a live Teach Ag watch party for her students, and set up educational bulletin boards on teaching agriculture.

## TEACH AGRICULTURE IN ARIZONA



Jorge Gonzalez, a graduate student at Oklahoma State University, had his students write thank you letters to their agriculture teachers.



Dr. Jeremy Falk of the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho hosted an online after party for agricultural education majors.



Agriculture teacher Mr. Isaiah Govea held a Teach Ag signing event and party at AAEC South Mountain Public Charter School in Phoenix, Arizona.



Ms. Katie Crossley developed lesson plans about teaching agriculture for 120 students at Hempstead Middle School in Hempstead, Texas.



8 Michigan agriculture teachers traded jobs for the day and discussed teaching agriculture as a career.



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Purdue University facilitated a social media contest for Indiana students to thank their agriculture teachers using #Tagged17 and #INspireAgEd.



Clemson's Agricultural Education Department hosted their National Teach Ag Day Celebration, with 170 high school students in attendance.



Mississippi State University held a Teach Ag Day campus visit for 21 high school students who are considering studying agricultural education.



Penn State hosted a "Teach Ag Walkway" which included printed facts about teaching agriculture, games, and a Snapchat GeoFilter.



Maryland Agriculture Teachers hosted a #FarmlandChat related to teaching agriculture on Twitter.



Wilmington College and The Ohio State University held a pathway practice event for 75 pre-service teachers to practice lesson plans.



15 high school juniors and seniors considering studying agricultural education toured Montana State University's campus, sponsored by the Office of Public Instruction. They met with ag celebrities, toured campus, and were engaged in two lessons on teaching agriculture. They also brought home materials they can use to teach in their communities.



New Jersey agriculture teachers, FFA chapters, and potential sponsors were given "Celebration Ideas" packets, which included ideas for teachers to use in their classroom to celebrate National Teach Ag Day. Agriculture teachers were also given access to online promotional material templates that they could download to promote teaching agriculture.



The Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators encouraged people to post pictures on social media of current agriculture teachers in action to promote the profession. The Wisconsin FFA Foundation also promoted donations of any amount in honor or memory of an agriculture teacher. These teachers were highlighted on Facebook during National Teach Ag Day.



State FFA Officers gathered pictures and quotes from 16 teachers at the Northern Nevada Greenhand Conference to be used on social media.



NJAAE and Penn State hosted #TeachAgChat, which focused on the recruitment and retention of quality and diverse agriculture teachers.



North Carolina State University hosted a pizza party for undergraduate students to watch the National Teach Ag Day Live Celebration.



The Missouri STAR Team had nine students compete in a Teach Ag Lesson Plan Contest, with first place going to Katie Fifer of Tuscumbia, MO.



15 students from Michigan State University and Purdue University attended the National Teach Ag Day Live Celebration in Chicago, Illinois.



The University of Arkansas held an all day event for 20 high school students to experience a day in the life of an agricultural education major.



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