# National Association of Agricultural Educators





2014-2015

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# 2015 NAAE AWARDS TEACHING AND PROGRAM AWARD HIGHLIGHTS

NAAE recognizes its members annually for excellence in teaching through award programs. Following is the list of the award winners and a description of each of the award categories.

#### **NAAE Outstanding Young Member**

Agricultural education is faced with a shortage of qualified teachers. Unless students at our nation's teaching institutions enter and remain in the profession, a shortage of teachers will continue to exist. The Outstanding Young Member Award encourages young teachers to remain in the profession. Innovative young teachers with outstanding professional records, including participation in NAAE, are recognized for their early efforts in the teaching profession. NAAE members who have completed at least three but not more than five years of teaching are eligible to apply for this award; members who are currently in their sixth year of teaching are eligible to apply.

This award program is sponsored by John Deere as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Thirty-three state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. Each of the regional winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



Region I Natalie Borba California Region II Kimberly Mitchell Kansas Region III **Jacob Cramer** Wisconsin Region IV Bailev Garwood Michigan Region V Katie Gilson South Carolina Region VI Tedra Bean **New York** 

### **Outstanding Agricultural Education Teacher**

This award program recognizes active NAAE members who are conducting the highest quality agricultural education programs. It rewards them for their excellence, leadership and service in the agricultural education profession. It highlights each teacher's ability to draw upon community resources to provide relevant and meaningful educational experiences for all students. Award recipients demonstrate how they are innovators and catalysts for agricultural education at all learning levels.

We are delighted to have Caterpillar Inc. and Tractor Supply Co. as our co-sponsors for this program.

Thirty-four state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. Each of the regional winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



Jim Cant	Oregon
Kevin Barenberg	Arkansas
Paul Larson	Wisconsin
Tracey Hoffman	Michigan
Jason Chester	North Carolina
Lee Ann Hall	West Virginia
	Kevin Barenberg Paul Larson Tracey Hoffman Jason Chester

### **National Agriscience Teacher of the Year**

This program distinguishes NAAE members who emphasize science concepts, principles, and applications in their curricula. The award recognizes leadership in agriscience, civic, community, agriculture/agribusiness, and professional activities. Outstanding agriscience educators are innovators and catalysts for student success in agriscience education.

This program is partially sponsored by the Potash Corp. as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Nineteen state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. The regional winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



Region I	Jessica Grundy	Utah
Region II	Rachel Knight	New Mexico
Region III	Candice Franks	Wisconsin
Region IV	<b>Matthew Simpson</b>	Kentucky
Region V	Jason Gore	South Carolina
Region VI	Michael Clark	Pennsylvania

### Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Agricultural Education Program

The NAAE Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Agricultural Education Program Award recognizes the nation's most successful middle school and secondary school agricultural education programs and teachers. Agriscience teachers draw upon a variety of resources to make education more relevant and meaningful to students. The award highlights how teachers integrate English, mathematics and science into instruction and use new technology to teach students. The award also symbolizes the success of agricultural education in preparing students for work and lifelong learning. It encourages teachers to meet the needs of the community, school and students.

This program is co-sponsored by Monsanto and AGCO as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Thirty state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. The regional winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



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Region I	San Luis Obispo High School Anna Bates, Jodi Evans	California
Region II	Fairview Public School Jerrod Lundry, Vince McGolden	Oklahoma
Region III	Springfield High School T.J. Brown, Kelsey Brandt	Minnesota
Region IV	LaRue County High School Misty Bivens, Chris Thomas	Kentucky
Region V	Cottondale High School Stanley Scurlock	Florida
Region VI	Central High School Sherry Heishman, Mandy Curry	Virginia

### **Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult Agricultural Education Program**

The NAAE Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult Agricultural Education Program Award recognizes the nation's most successful two-year postsecondary and full-time adult agricultural education programs and teachers. Most careers in modern agriculture and related sciences are technical careers that require education beyond secondary school. Outstanding agriscience and agribusiness educational programs beyond the high school level of instruction are more important today than ever before. NAAE is proud to honor some of these exceptional postsecondary and adult programs.

This program is sponsored by Monsanto as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Six state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the NAAE regions representing the application pool. The regional winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



Region III	Indian Hills Community College Brydon Kaster	Iowa
Region IV	Crowder College Craig Grisham, Shawna Estep, Jay Wilkins, Dr. Udell Simmers, Jorge Zapata, Dr. Stephanie Watson-Bruto	Minnesota
Region V	Miller County Young Farmers Bert Bodiford, Kitty Bodiford	Georgia
Region VI	VALOR-Virginia Ag. Leaders Obtaining Results Megan Seibel	Virginia

#### **Ideas Unlimited Awards**

For years, teachers have been exchanging classroom and teaching ideas. Innovative teaching keeps agricultural education programs alive and teachers enthusiastic. The NAAE Ideas Unlimited Award recognizes teachers for developing and sharing innovative ideas with their colleagues nationwide.

This award program is sponsored by National Geographic Learning/Cengage Learning.

Twenty-six state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. The regional winners received a stipend and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans. In addition regional winners presented their award winning ideas during workshops throughout the NAAE convention.



Region I	Eric Tilleman	Montana
Region II	Cory Wedel	Colorado
Region III	Melissa Bonifas	Nebraska
Region IV	Erica McBee	Missouri
Region V	Nancy Sell	Georgia
Region VI	Melanie Berndtson	Pennsylvania

#### **Teacher Mentor Awards**

We hear a lot about the nationwide shortage of agriculture teachers. Most states are in dire need of more teachers. One way to address the teacher shortage is to ensure that our beginning teachers have successful experiences and make choices to remain in the teaching profession. NAAE is pleased to be able to recognize those individuals who have made a difference in our profession by sharing themselves with others—specifically teachers in their induction years.

This award program is sponsored by CEV Multimedia.

Nineteen state associations submitted state-winning applications. Of those applications, one winner was chosen for each of the six NAAE regions. The regional winners received a stipend and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in New Orleans.



Region I	Michael Sheppard	Washington
Region II	Cade LeJeune	Louisiana
Region III	Michael Retallick	Iowa
Region IV	Michael Spahr	Ohio
Region V	Farrah Johnson	Florida
Region VI	Erin McCaffrey	New York

#### **Teachers Turn the Key Award**

Another way that NAAE works to decrease the shortage of qualified teachers is through the Teachers Turn the Key program. This program encourages young teachers to remain in the profession and recognizes their participation in professional activities. NAAE members who are currently in their second, third, or fourth year of teaching are eligible to apply for this award. Applicants must be a member of NAAE during the year of application (2014-2015) and at the time of the convention at which they receive the scholarship (2015-2016). Applicants must not have attended the NAAE convention previously.

This award program is sponsored by RAM Trucks as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Thirty-five state associations submitted state-winning applications. All Teacher Turn the Key winners received transportation, lodging and registration to attend the 2015 NAAE Convention in Nashville. Each winner also attended special Teacher Turn the Key professional development sessions specifically designed for early career agricultural educators.



#### **Region I**

**Brittnie England** Arizona Courtney Castle California Jackie Tichepco Hawaii Daniel Billington Idaho Charlie Mann Nevada Alyssa Davies Oregon Francisca Pena Utah Washington **Carol Travis** 

#### **Region II**

Brandon Lewis Arkansas Lauren Van Allen Kansas Stacia Huxman Oklahoma

#### **Region III**

Daniel May
Nikki Beucler
Sarah Knutson
Nicole Fideldy
Cayla Graves
Walter Taylor
Now
Minnesota
Nebraska
North Dakota
South Dakota
Wisconsin

#### **Region IV**

Jessica Collins Illinois
Heather Dougherty Indiana
Leyna Miller Michigan
Ellen Amos Missouri
Shalie Logan Ohio

#### **Region V**

Trent Wells Alabama
Adrienne Smith Georgia
Josh Everett Mississippi
Courtney Wade North Carolina
Ashley Bringle Tennessee

#### **Region VI**

Melissa Cunningham Connecticut
Susan Mitchell Delaware
Laura Pinhas New Jersey
Christopher Smith New York
Darla Romberger Pennsylvania
Alison Sutphin Virginia
Katlin Thorsell West Virginia

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### **Outstanding Service Citation**

The NAAE awards the Outstanding Service Citation to those who go above and beyond the call of duty and impact our lives the most. They might be doctors, nurses, your best friend...or perhaps your teacher. This award is given to those who serve their profession in professional activities, school activities, and community service. This award program is sponsored by Monsanto.



Region I **Elaine Lewis** Washington Region II John Stricklin Oklahoma Region III Dr. Rick Bockhop Wisconsin Region IV John Kabat Illinois Tennessee Region V **Richard Ross** Region VI Dr. Patricia Jepson Connecticut

### **Lifetime Achievement Awards**

NAAE bestows the Lifetime Achievement Award upon persons who have retired from the agricultural education profession and who have contributed to the advancement of agricultural education on a regional or national level throughout their careers.

This award program is sponsored by Ford Motor Company as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.



Greg Thompson	Oregon
Michael Robison	Oklahoma
Keith Gundlach	Wisconsin
James Craft	Illinois
W. Patrick Earle	South Carolina
Frank Yesalavich	New Jersey
	Michael Robison Keith Gundlach James Craft W. Patrick Earle

### **Outstanding Cooperation Award**

The Outstanding Cooperation Award is presented to organizations, agribusinesses or individuals who have provided exemplary service to agricultural education at the national level. This year's award recipients contributed their time, talents and finances to ensure the success of agricultural education.

Plaques for this award program are sponsored by Forrest T. Jones & Company.



Region I	J.R. Simplot Company	Idaho
Region II	Arkansas Farm Bureau Andy Guffey	Arkansas
Region III	Wisconsin Farm Report Pam Jahnke	Wisconsin
Region IV	Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education	Illinois
Region V	AgCentral Co-Op	Tennessee
Region VI	VA Agribusiness Council Katie Frazier	Virginia

### **Excellence in Leadership for Retention (xlr8) Institute**

Yet another way NAAE works to increase retention in agricultural education is through the brand new program, Excellence in Leadership for Retention (XLR8). In partnership with the National Teach Ag Campaign, NAAE has created this program to help agriculture teachers who have been in the classroom between seven and 15 years address common issues that lead to them leaving the profession. Participants engaged in intensive professional development sessions at the 2015 NAAE Convention in Nashville, and the program continues throughout the year with virtual learning experiences and online collaboration through the NAAE professional learning community, Communities of Practice. The goal of this program is to not only retain XLR8 participants in the teaching profession, but to also give them the tools to help other mid-career teachers. Of applicants nationwide, twenty agriculture teachers were chosen to participate in this program.

This program is sponsored by CSX Transportation.



**Cathy Berrier Tracy Brown** Toni Buchanan Jason Bullock **Zachary Crews** Tamra Herschbach Amanda Huettl Farrah Johnson Weston Kane Bethany Knowlton **Jeffrey Mayes** Jessy Reuterdahl Jennifer Sousa Kurt VanDeWalle Jonathan Walden **Chad Warnick** Reta Yanik

Ledford High School Snohomish High School Clarkdale High School St. Pauls High School Slater High School Yerington High School Max Public School Deltona High School Potlatch High School Killingly High School AHSTW Community Schools Avoca, IA Codi Montes-Dennis Hagerman High School LaPlata R-II High School Tulare High School Fillmore Central Coalgate Public School Delta Technical Center Westwood High School

Thomasville, NC Snohomish, WA Meridian, MS St. Pauls, NC Slater, MO Yerington, NV Max, NC Deltona, FL Potlatch, ID Dayville, CT Hagerman, NM LaPlata, MO Tulare, CA Geneva, NE Coalgate, OK Delta, UT Mesa, AZ

#### **MEMBERSHIP & STATE ASSOCIATION AWARDS**

#### **100 Percent State Association Awards**

NAAE annually recognizes the state associations that have the distinction of having all of the respective state's agriculture teachers as members of NAAE. The 100 percent state associations in 2014-2015 were:

Nevada Oklahoma

#### 10 Percent Plus Awards—10 Percent Increase State Associations

NAAE annually recognizes state associations which surpass their previous year's membership by 10 percent or more. The following 11 state associations qualified for 10 percent plus membership awards in the 2014-2015 membership year: California, Florida, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, and West Virginia.

## Largest NUMERICAL Student Membership Increase—State Association

NAAE annually recognizes the state association having the largest numerical increase in student membership. The North Carolina Association received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year with an increase of 38 members from the previous year.

# Largest Percentage STUDENT Membership Increase—State Association

NAAE annually recognizes the state association having the largest percentage increase in student membership. The Louisiana Association received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year, with an increase of 33 percent from the previous year.

#### **Largest Student Membership—State Association**

NAAE annually recognizes the state having the largest student membership. The Wisconsin Association was recognized in the 2014-2015 membership year, reporting a total of 167 student members.

#### **Largest State Association Membership**

NAAE annually recognizes the state having the largest membership. The Missouri Association was recognized in the 2014-2015 membership year, reporting a total of 522 members.

### **Largest Numerical Membership Increase—State Association**

NAAE annually recognizes the state association having the largest numerical increase in membership. The North Carolina Association received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year, with an increase of 52 members from the previous year.

#### **Largest Percentage Membership Increase—State Association**

NAAE annually recognizes the state association having the largest percentage increase in membership. The Vermont Association received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year, with an increase of 33 percent from the previous year.

### **Largest Numerical Membership Increase—Region**

NAAE annually recognizes the region having the largest numerical increase in membership. Region V—Jason Kemp, Vice President, received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year, with an increase of 106 members from the previous year.

### **Largest Percentage Membership Increase—Region**

NAAE annually recognizes the region having the largest percentage increase in membership. Region V— Jason Kemp, Vice President, received the award for the 2014-2015 membership year, with an increase of 6.6 percent from the previous year.

### **Largest Regional Membership**

NAAE annually recognizes the region having the largest membership. Region IV—Scott Stone, Vice President, and Region V—Jason Kemp, Vice President, were recognized in 2014-2015 membership year, both tied with 1708 members.

#### **100 Percent Student Member Universities**

In the 2014-2015 membership year twelve agricultural education departments, as listed below, self-reported 100 percent student membership and received recognition at the 2015 National Alpha Tau Alpha Conclave in Louisville:

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo Clemson University
Murray State University
Northwest Missouri State University
Oklahoma State University
Purdue University
The Pennsylvania State University
Montana State University
University of Connecticut
University of Georgia, Athens
University of Georgia, Tifton
University of Wisconsin, River Falls

#### PROFESSIONAL STATE ASSOCIATION AWARDS

The national organization is strong when its affiliated state associations aggressively engage in well-planned activities that serve the interests of members and the profession. To encourage professional activities, NAAE presents plaques to state associations meeting specific standards and goals.

States qualifying for Distinguished, Professional and Active achievement in the 2014-2015 membership year were:

Region I

Arizona - Distinguished Idaho - Professional Montana - Professional Oregon - Distinguished Utah - Professional Washington - Distinguished Wyoming - Professional

Region II

Arkansas - Distinguished Colorado - Professional Kansas - Distinguished Louisiana - Distinguished Oklahoma - Professional

Region III

Iowa - Distinguished Minnesota - Distinguished Nebraska - Professional North Dakota - Professional South Dakota - Professional Wisconsin - Distinguished Region IV

Illinois - Distinguished Indiana - Professional Kentucky - Distinguished Michigan - Professional Missouri - Distinguished Ohio - Professional

Region V

Alabama - Active Florida - Distinguished Georgia - Distinguished Mississippi - Professional North Carolina - Professional South Carolina - Professional Tennessee - Distinguished

Region VI

Maryland - Active

New York - Distinguished Pennsylvania - Distinguished Virginia - Distinguished

# UPPER DIVISION AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Using proceeds from the 50-50 scholarship raffle at the 2014 NAAE Convention and sponsorship from National Geographic Learning | Cengage Learning, NAAE awarded 15 scholarships to college students majoring in agricultural education. Each \$750 scholarship was awarded to a student who would do their student teaching in the 2015-2016 school year.

#### The scholarship recipients were:

Nicholas Adams

Katherine Andrews

Jaelyn Bergmann

Louisiana State University

Pennsylvania State University

University of Missouri-Columbia

Jaimee Brentano Oregon State University Clayton Carley University of Illinois

Kathryn Chapman University of Wisconsin- River Falls

Shelby Cooper University of Illinois

Sabrina Kieser University of Wisconsin- River Falls

Paige Levandowski University of Kentucky
Morgan Pinnell New Mexico State University
Sarabeth Royer Pennsylvania State University

Amanda Smith University of Missouri
Chelsea Sutherland Louisiana State University
Mason Tate Pennsylvania State University

Riane Towery Oregon State University

### **PAST PRESIDENTS**

PRESIDENT	YEAR	<b>ELECTION CITY</b>	PRESIDENT	YEAR	<b>ELECTION CITY</b>
L.E. Cross, CA	1948	Milwaukee	Layton G. Peters, MN	1981	Atlanta
Parker Woodul, NM*	1949	Atlantic City	Dale Butcher, IN	1982	St. Louis
Jess Smith, WI *	1950	Miami	Walter Schuh, WA*	1983	Anaheim
A.C. Hale, AR *	1951	Minneapolis	Walter Schuh, WA*	1984	New Orleans
Max Lampo, MO *	1952	Boston	Myron Sonne, SD	1985	Atlanta
Robert Wall, Va *	1953	Chicago	Ralph Thomas, OK *	1986	Dallas
S.F. Peterson, NC *	1954	San Francisco	Caroll L. Shry, MD	1987	Las Vegas
Robert Howey, IL *	1955	Atlantic City	Duane W. Watkins, WY	1988	St. Louis
Robert Bishopp, WY	1956	St. Louis	Douglas B. Spike, MI	1989	Orlando
James Wall, NE *	1957	Philadelphia	Tom Parker, WY	1990	Cincinnati
Luther Hardin, AR *	1958	Buffalo	Dennis Jackson, MN *	1991	Los Angeles
Julian Carter, NY *	1959	Chicago	Dale Turner, OK	1992	St. Louis
Floyd Johnson, SC *	1960	Los Angeles	Tom Klein, NV	1993	Nashville
James Hamilton, IA	1961	Kansas City	Merle Richter, WI	1994	Dallas
Wenroy Smith, PA*	1962	Milwaukee	Tom Heffernan, TX	1995	Denver
Walter Bomeli, MI*	1963	Atlantic City	MeeCee Baker, PA	1996	Cincinnati
Sam Stenzel, KS*	1964	Minneapolis	Duane Fisher, IA	1997	Las Vegas
James Durkee, WY	1965	Miami	Tom Kremer, OH	1998	New Orleans
Elvin Walker, GA *	1966	Denver	Mike Cox, VA	1999	Orlando
Tom Devin, TX	1967	Cleveland	Paul Jaure, TX	2000	San Diego
Wm. G. Smith, NJ	1968	Dallas	Bryan D. Gause, IN *	2001	New Orleans
Millard Gundlach, WI	1969	Boston	Sarah Osborn Welty, M	D 2002	Las Vegas
Glen D. McDowell, KY	1970	New Orleans	Roger Teeple, NC	2003	Orlando
Howard Teal, NY *	1971	Portland	Jeff Maierhofer, IL	2004	Las Vegas
Francis Murphy, SD	1972	Chicago	Allan Sulser, UT	2005	Kansas City
W.R. Harrison, OK	1973	Atlanta	Lee J. James, MS	2006	Atlanta
Lurther Lalum, MT*	1974	New Orleans	Harold Eckler, MO	2007	Las Vegas
John Murray, MN	1975	Anaheim	Sally Shomo, VA	2008	Charlotte
Richard Weber, LA	1976	Houston	Ray Nash, MS	2009	Nashville
Jim Guilinger, IL *	1977	Atlantic City	Greg Curlin, IN	2010	Las Vegas
John P. Mundt, ID	1978	Dallas	Ken Couture, CT	2011	Atlanta
Albert Timmerman, Jr.	., TX 1979	Anaheim	Farrah Johnson , FL	2012	St. Louis
Tom Jones, AZ	1980	New Orleans	Kevin Stacy, OK	2013	Las Vegas
			*indicates deceased		

### 2014-2015 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The NAAE membership year runs from July 1st to June 30th of each year. State ag teachers' associations are responsible for submitting rosters for their individual states. Membership can also be submitted directly to the NAAE in states where a state ag teachers' association does not exist. Student and both categories of associate membership can be submitted through the state ag teachers' association or university. Membership can be submitted directly to the NAAE as well. These totals represent NAAE active, life and student membership.

#### **REGION 1**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Alaska	0	1	1	2	2	4	2	1	1	3	3
Arizona	80	76	88	82	76	65	71	91	83	73	73
California	210	208	208	218	233	223	205	174	165	155	176
Hawaii	13	16	9	11	15	12	12	9	6	10	6
Idaho	114	118	132	107	114	112	114	125	128	129	132
Montana	93	125	94	97	98	93	85	95	104	130	137
Nevada	34	34	35	34	32	37	30	31	35	43	45
Oregon	96	101	97	90	96	101	108	103	99	125	120
Utaĥ	63	75	82	90	106	98	119	98	102	102	124
Washington	226	207	192	197	195	174	175	17	193	189	196
Wyoming	43	63	55	65	63	52	57	55	51	60	50
TOTAL	974	1024	993	993	1030	971	978	959	967	1019	1062

#### **REGION 2**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Arkansas	176	148	149	156	152	167	150	145	165	167	166
Colorado	118	113	96	104	113	105	98	138	109	100	96
Kansas	189	170	179	174	205	193	191	182	196	224	234
Louisiana	217	197	210	212	204	213	189	197	205	197	213
New Mexico	96	106	74	80	80	80	88	89	76	76	87
Oklahoma	511	5106	522	504	498	517	506	505	489	490	490
Texas	130	141	154	142	147	141	123	97	88	81	62
TOTAL	1437	1391	1384	1372	1399	1416	1345	1353	1328	1335	1348

#### **REGION 3**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
lowa	221	227	197	200	207	229	232	231	218	219	203
Minnesota	305	261	301	264	289	260	284	299	294	314	329
Nebraska	144	150	136	142	135	152	134	125	146	159	167
North Dakota	114	104	118	116	115	129	138	127	122	115	122
South Dakota	98	92	89	86	83	108	100	96	97	96	104
Wisconsin	414	419	397	430	417	475	475	465	453	427	441
TOTAL	1296	1253	1238	1238	1246	1353	1363	1343	1330	1330	1366

### **REGION 4**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Illinois	418	420	417	407	395	406	395	386	424	418	421
Indiana	304	319	312	303	270	275	251	262	315	315	332
Kentucky	226	230	258	233	203	216	234	222	220	232	242
Michigan	105	100	87	88	98	91	101	68	67	78	77
Missouri	485	499	496	524	540	541	556	504	566	570	540
Ohio	284	289	267	289	269	297	262	219	231	238	232
TOTAL	1822	1857	1837	1844	1775	1826	1799	1661	1823	1851	1844

### **REGION 5**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Alabama	281	306	236	279	262	264	254	245	233	243	252
Florida	140	166	162	126	137	136	187	192	203	154	196
Georgia	398	379	424	415	446	436	408	458	439	444	448
Mississippi	94	104	114	104	105	112	101	117	90	113	120
North Carolina	289	291	299	304	301	259	303	355	330	296	343
Puerto Rico	1	4	0	0	2	1	3	3	3	1	1
South Carolina	97	104	95	114	115	121	100	97	100	104	122
Tennessee	188	191	192	212	214	231	232	236	226	213	200
Virgin Islands	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	1489	1543	1550	1558	1583	1561	1589	1704	1625	1569	1683

### **REGION 6**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Connecticut	61	70	72	72	78	64	81	82	86	102	108
Delaware	38	46	34	42	55	53	53	60	60	65	64
Maine	7	8	15	9	7	7	6	70	7	10	6
Maryland	40	43	43	43	44	51	45	50	45	43	44
Massachusetts	0	5	1	2	0	2	2	20	5	4	5
New Hampshire	33	23	24	24	34	25	27	23	26	25	29
New Jersey	23	26	24	25	21	28	30	33	35	37	34
New York	108	123	112	164	121	126	117	106	115	106	118
Pennsylvania	165	155	133	136	135	144	154	171	168	171	178
Rhode Island	2	3	3	12	4	9	9	3	8	8	8
Vermont	1	8	7	8	7	10	8	0	2	2	6
Virginia	119	138	134	144	173	161	157	148	147	176	175
West Virginia	70	68	75	59	70	67	68	15	51	43	63
TOTAL	667	716	677	740	749	747	757	700	755	792	838

#### **2015 NAAE CONVENTION SPONSORS**

#### **Outstanding Ag Ed Teacher Awards**

Mr. Dustin Johansen National Accounts Manager, Agriculture and Construction Industry Caterpillar, Inc.\* 100 NE Adams Street Mail Drop 1395 Peoria, IL 61629-1395

Ms. Christi Korzekwi Vice President of Marketing Tractor Supply Company\* 5401 Virginia Way Brentwood, TN 37027

Ms. Lisa White
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Tractor Supply Company\*
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(Tractor Supply Company also cosponsors the Friday awards luncheon during the NAAE convention and NAAE Communities of Practice.)

#### Outstanding Postsecondary/Adult Ag Ed Program Awards

Ms. Elizabeth Vancil
Community and Youth Outreach
Manager
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(Monsanto also co-sponsors the NAAE
Outstanding Middle/Secondary Ag Ed
Program awards and sponsors the NAAE
Outstanding Service Citation awards.)

#### Outstanding Young Member Awards and Wednesday John Deere Luncheon

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### Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Ag Ed Program Awards

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(AGCO also sponsors NAAE convention
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support.)

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### **NAAE STRATEGIC PLAN**

**Adopted: September 11, 2013** 

Last Revised: November 27, 2013

### NAAE Mission: Professionals providing agricultural education for the global community through visionary leadership, advocacy and service.

Strategy	Action	Responsible Committee	Indicators	Ways & Means
1.A-Develop a set of messages that explain how the three component agricultural education model contributes to college and career readiness including academic achievement and 21st Century Skills.	1.A.1-Develop a set of messages that explain the ways in which the agricultural education model enhances all core academic content and provides both leadership development and real world experiences through experiential learning.	Marketing	<ul> <li>Messages developed.</li> <li>Appropriate message vehicles developed.</li> <li>Messages disseminated</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee develop data-driven messages with input from board and staff.</li> <li>Marketing Committee and board approve messages.</li> <li>Disseminate messages (CoP, flyers, papers, presentations, and so forth).</li> </ul>
	1.A.1.a -Develop a set of messages related to the contributions of agricultural education in student success in STEM academic areas and achieving Common Core State Standards.	Marketing	<ul> <li>Messages developed.</li> <li>Appropriate message vehicles developed.</li> <li>Messages disseminated</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee develop data-driven messages with input from board and staff.</li> <li>Marketing Committee and board approve messages.</li> <li>Disseminate messages (CoP, flyers, papers, presentations, and so forth).</li> </ul>
	1.A.1.b - Develop a set of messages related to the link between agricultural education and career opportunities.	Marketing	<ul> <li>Messages developed.</li> <li>Appropriate message vehicles developed.</li> <li>Messages disseminated</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee develop data-driven messages with input from board and staff.</li> <li>Marketing Committee and board approve messages.</li> <li>Disseminate messages (CoP, flyers, papers, presentations, and so forth).</li> </ul>

	1.A.1.c - Develop as set of messages related to the potential for students to earn college credit while enrolled in high school agriculture courses.	Marketing	<ul> <li>Messages developed.</li> <li>Appropriate message vehicles developed.</li> <li>Messages disseminated</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee develop data-driven messages with input from board and staff.</li> <li>Marketing Committee and board approve messages.</li> <li>Disseminate messages (CoP, flyers, papers, presentations, and so forth).</li> </ul>
1.B-Increase member capabilities to engage in advocacy on behalf of agricultural education	1.B.1 – Educate members to understand advocacy, not limited to the political process, and their role as an advocate at all levels including community, state and national.	Professional Growth	Educational opportunities provided through professional development.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee develop advocacy materials and workshops.</li> <li>Identify state advocacy leaders.</li> <li>Maintain advocacy link on NAAE website.</li> <li>Policy statements based on facts.</li> <li>NPS</li> </ul>
	1.B.2-Expand the involvement of state leaders at the National Policy Seminar.	Public Policy	60% of states participate in the Ag Ed Strand at National Policy Seminar.	<ul> <li>NAAE pay conference registration fee for one leader per state.</li> <li>Encourage continued or repeat attendees.</li> <li>Follow-up survey for feedback.</li> <li>Market at NAAE convention.</li> </ul>
	1.B.3 - Provide advocacy professional development for members and state leaders.	Professional Growth	<ul> <li>Advocacy professional development provided to state leaders from 10 states.</li> <li>Five state leaders provided professional development in their respective states and/or region.</li> </ul>	Offer advocacy workshops at state and regional conferences.     Train one leader from each state to deliver workshops at home.
	1.B.4 - Provide advocacy tools and resources for members to use at the local, state, regional and national levels.	Public Policy	<ul> <li>Effective advocacy tools identified.</li> <li>Effective tools developed.</li> <li>Effective tools disseminated.</li> </ul>	Public Policy Committee     determine advocacy tools     needed.      Maintain advocacy toolbox link     on NAAE website.

2.A- Develop resources to help stakeholders expand existing or start new agricultural education programs in their community.	2.A.1- Identify resources and challenges for delivery of the agricultural education model.	Member Services	Resources and challenges identified.	<ul> <li>Member Services Committee compile basic needs for a program (facilities, curriculum, student organization involvement, importance of SAE, NQPS).</li> <li>Develop printable materials to share at local and state level.</li> <li>Provide training at national and regional summer conferences.</li> </ul>
	2.A.1.a - Partner with the National FFA Organization to build upon existing resources.	Marketing	Partnership formed and strengthened with National FFA Organization.	<ul> <li>Member Services Committee partnership formed with National FFA.</li> <li>Increased revenue from National FFA Foundation.</li> <li>Utilize NAAE reps on FFA board.</li> </ul>
	2.A.1.b – Use National Quality Program Standards (NQPS) to design and improve programs.	Professional Growth	Encouraged use of NQPS through promotion and professional development.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee develop promotion plan for NQPS.</li> <li>Offer NQPS professional development workshops.</li> </ul>
2.B-Increase teacher recruitment efforts to meet the demand for new and expanding programs	2.B.1-Increase recruitment efforts to reach traditional, non-traditional and diverse audiences to enter the profession.	Member Services	<ul> <li>Identified ways to reach listed audiences.</li> <li>Appropriate recruitment tools developed and implemented.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Members Services Committee identify ways to reach audiences.</li> <li>Expand the National Teach Ag Campaign.</li> <li>Encourage state level recruitment programs.</li> <li>Provide more printable materials to give at career shows, trade shows, and to new college students.</li> </ul>
	2.B.2-Support and expand the National Teach Ag Campaign	Finance	Increased funding by 10% for the campaign.	<ul> <li>Acquire more funding through National FFA Foundation.</li> <li>Expand teacher recruitment efforts, working with other agriculture organizations.</li> </ul>
	2.B.3- Encourage certified agriculture teachers to enter the classroom.	Marketing	Developed or expanded initiatives to encourage agriculture teachers to enter the classroom.	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee develop or expand initiatives to encourage agriculture teachers to enter the classroom.</li> <li>Marketing Committee develop or expand initiatives to increase student teacher retention rates.</li> <li>Marketing Committee work more closely with teacher educators.</li> </ul>

2.C – Increase agriculture teacher retention efforts	2.C.1 – Provide professional development opportunities related to retention efforts.	Professional Growth	Opportunities provided on the state and national levels.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee determine professional development needs to increase teacher retention.</li> <li>Continue and expand teacher retention programs, such as Teachers turn the Key, XLR8, NATAA, and CASE.</li> <li>Develop retention workshops for use at the state and national levels.</li> <li>NAAE offer training at national convention.</li> </ul>
	2.C.2 – Create mentoring training tools and resources to assist states in developing mentoring programs.	Professional Growth	<ul> <li>Identified appropriate mentoring tools and resources.</li> <li>Developed mentoring tools and resources.</li> <li>Promoted tools and resources to state leaders.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee identify appropriate mentoring tools and resources.</li> <li>Develop and promote mentoring tools and resources.</li> <li>Continue and expand Teacher Mentor awards program.</li> </ul>
	2.C.3 – Provide professional development to help states use mentoring tools to implement or improve mentoring programs.	Professional Growth	Made available professional development on the national, regional, and state level.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee encourage states to use mentoring tools.</li> <li>NAAE board and staff provide assistance as requested.</li> <li>Train state leaders on mentoring tools.</li> </ul>
3.A-Market the tangible and intangible benefits of NAAE membership	3.A.1- Create a marketing plan to highlight membership benefits to all current and potential members.	Marketing	<ul><li>Marketing plan created.</li><li>Marketing plan utilized.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee create a marketing plan.</li> <li>Marketing Committee encourage use of the marketing plan.</li> </ul>
3.B- Collect accurate and timely membership information and dues.	3.B.1-Create a variety of methods for collecting membership information and dues.	Member Services	Enhanced current membership information and dues collection methods.	<ul> <li>Member Services Committee enhance current membership information and dues collection methods.</li> <li>NAAE staff support state leaders in collecting and reporting membership information and dues.</li> <li>Member Services Committee encourage professionalism and consistency in dues remitters.</li> </ul>

3.C-Enhance web- based member benefits and services	3.C.1- Develop web- based tools that make membership benefits more evident and accessible.	Member Services	Web-based tools developed.	<ul> <li>NAAE staff lead efforts to develop web-based tools.</li> <li>Members can pay membership online via website.</li> <li>Membership benefits easily accessible on website.</li> <li>Printable membership cards on website.</li> </ul>
3.D-Increase the family-friendly member services (e.g., child-care and family-oriented activities) provided at regional and national conferences	3.D.1- Determine members' needs for family-friendly services at regional and national events.	Member Services	Identified needs for family-friendly services at regional and national events.	<ul> <li>Member Services Committee identify needs for family-friendly services at regional and national events.</li> <li>Offer services at regional and national events.</li> </ul>
4.A-Identify needs of current and potential NAAE members.	4.A.1- Assess why some agricultural educators are NAAE members and some are not.	Strategic Planning	Assessment developed.     Assessment completed.	Strategic Planning Committee develop an assessment of current and potential NAAE members' needs.      Administer survey at state summer conferences to NAAE members and non-members.
	4.A.2 – Revise membership benefits according to what we learned in the assessment.	Member Services	Membership benefits revised according to findings.	Member Services Committee revisit membership benefits according to findings of member/ non-member survey.
4.B-Identify ways NAAE can help states increase membership	4.B.1-Identify barriers and best practices of state association membership	Strategic Planning	Barriers and best practices identified.	<ul> <li>Strategic Planning Committee identify barriers and best practices of state association membership.</li> <li>Assessment tool to compile best practices to help states.</li> </ul>
	4.B.2. – Disseminate information about barriers and best practices.	Marketing	Disseminated information to state leaders.	<ul> <li>Marketing Committee disseminate information to state leaders.</li> <li>Continue to provide resources to help states address membership.</li> <li>NAAE board coordinates regional VP monthly reports.</li> </ul>

4.C-Expand and enhance professional development programs	4.C.1- Develop new professional development programs in emerging areas such as STEM	Professional Growth	Expanded initiatives in emerging areas.	Professional Growth     Committee expand professional     development initiatives in     emerging areas.
	4.C.2-Explore development of sequential professional development opportunities to meet state and federal continuing education regulations.	Professional Growth	Sequential professional development opportunities created.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee develop sequential professional development opportunities.</li> <li>Determine federal and state regulations and needs of membership.</li> </ul>
5.A-Collaborate with agricultural education organizations.	5.A.1-Collaborate with AAAE.	Strategic Planning Professional Growth Marketing	Identified ways to encourage/support more research in areas such as:     -The impact of agricultural education on student achievement -The post-graduation careers of agricultural education students -National trends in education     Encouraged development and dissemination of practical summaries of agricultural education research     Supported research by classroom teachers in collaboration with university faculty on critical issues.     Promoted NAAE student membership and benefits within the teacher preparation cohort.     Promoted agricultural education majors to teacher preparation programs     Created initiatives to meet professional needs of teacher educators.	<ul> <li>Strategic Planning and Professional Growth Committees identify ways to collaborate with AAAE on pertinent research areas.</li> <li>Strategic Planning and Professional Growth Committees identify ways to get state associations more involved in promoting NAAE membership with universities.</li> <li>NAAE board/members meet with AAAE board/members at national meetings.</li> <li>Continue and expand NAAE scholarships to pre-service ag ed students.</li> </ul>

5.B.1-Collaborate with ACTE	Public Policy Marketing	<ul> <li>Strengthened national advocacy efforts for CTE including agricultural education.</li> <li>Increased involvement in National Policy Seminar</li> <li>Promoted the value of ACTE membership</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Public Policy and Marketing Committees identify ways to collaborate with ACTE.</li> <li>Continue and expand ag ed involvement in National Policy Seminar</li> <li>Link ACTE membership benefits to NAAE.</li> <li>CTE joint advocacy projects.</li> </ul>
5.CCollaborate with NASAE	Strategic Planning	Work with state leaders to identify ways to strengthen ag ed programs within their states	<ul> <li>Strategic Planning Committee identify ways to collaborate with NASAE.</li> <li>Develop tools to identify what states need to strengthen programs.</li> </ul>
5.D-Collaborate with The National Council for Agricultural Education	Strategic Planning Public Policy	<ul> <li>Continued to expand National Teach Ag campaign</li> <li>Continued to grow CASE</li> <li>Collaborated on National Summit for Agricultural Education</li> <li>Identified emerging national education and public policy issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strategic Planning and Public Policy Committees identify ways to collaborate with The Council.</li> <li>Continue and expand NAAE increased role/visibility in National Summit for Ag Ed.</li> <li>Develop semi-annual list of emerging education and public policy issues.</li> <li>Continue and expand management and facilitation of Council initiatives, such as the National Teach Ag Campaign and CASE.</li> </ul>
5.E-Collaborate with National FFA Alumni Association	Professional Growth/ Member Services	Work with National FFA     Alumni Association on     initiatives such as, but     not limited to:     -Advocacy     -Role of local alumni     affiliate in agricultural     education programs     Possibility of joint     regional and national     meetings	<ul> <li>Professional Growth and Member Services Committees identify ways to collaborate with the National FFA Alumni Association.</li> <li>NAAE sponsored advocacy workshops at alumni conferences.</li> <li>NAAE promote benefits of local alumni affiliates.</li> <li>Consider joint NAAE and alumni conferences.</li> <li>NAAE board meet with national FFA alumni board to plan for regional conferences and other initiatives.</li> </ul>

	5.F-Collaborate with National FFA Foundation	Finance	Worked with National FFA Foundation on initiatives such as, but not limited to:     -Support for special projects     -Promoting individual contributions to National FFA Foundation     -Collaborating to identify potential sponsors	<ul> <li>Finance Committee identify ways to collaborate with the National FFA Foundation.</li> <li>NAAE collaborate with the FFA Foundation to secure sponsorships for special programs.</li> <li>Promote individual contributions to Foundation.</li> </ul>
	5.G-Collaborate with student agricultural education organizations	Member Services/ Professional Growth	Worked with national agricultural education student organizations on initiatives such as, but not limited to:     -growing professional relationships through ATA conclave, PAS conference, MANRRS conference, national FFA convention, and other events     -expansion of Teachers' World at the national FFA convention	<ul> <li>Member Services and Professional Growth Committees identify ways to collaborate with the student organizations.</li> <li>Continue and expand NAAE presence at National Ag Ed student organization activities.</li> </ul>
	5.H-Collaborate with National Farm & Ranch Business Management Education Association (NFRBMEA)	Member Services/ Professional Growth	Worked with NFRBMEA on common organizational initiatives     Created a needs assessment tool that will identify farm business management member needs	<ul> <li>Member Services and Professional Growth Committees identify ways to collaborate with NFRBMEA.</li> <li>Develop a NAAE presence within NFRBMEA.</li> </ul>
6.A – Ensure a quality supply of future leaders for the agricultural education profession	6.A.1 – Identify and develop potential leaders from NAAE membership.	Board Professional Growth	Initiatives were developed.	NAAE board and Professional Growth Committee identify initiatives to develop leaders.
	6.A.2-Evaluate the skills, knowledge, experiences needed for an effectively functioning Board	Professional Growth	Identified effective skills, knowledge, and experiences needed.	Professional Growth Committee Identify effective skills, knowledge, and experiences needed for NAAE leadership positions.

6.B- Increase diversity of Board membership to reflect the diversity of the membership and interests	6.B.1-Work with state affiliates and regions to communicate the importance of diversity and building the next generation of leaders for NAAE	Marketing	Communicated the importance of diversity.	Marketing Committee develop key messages and communicate the importance of diversity.
	6.B.2-Evaluate the by- laws to assess their adequacy in assuring election of a diverse Board	Policy & Bylaws	Evaluated the by-laws and revised as needed.	Policy and Bylaws Committee and board evaluate the by-laws and revise as needed.
	6.B.3-Evaluate the by-laws to assess the need to revise the makeup of the Board to ensure diversity in needed skills, knowledge and experiences	Policy & Bylaws	Evaluated the by-laws and revised as needed.	Policy and Bylaws Committee and board evaluate the by-laws and revise as needed.
6.C-Ensure that Board members are fully trained to carry out their responsibilities	6.C.1-Develop a comprehensive training program for new and returning Board members in all aspects of Board leadership	Professional Growth	Board training developed and delivered.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee develops (or reviews) board training and ensures that board training is delivered.</li> <li>NAAE executive director, or other experienced professionals, may conduct training for board members.</li> </ul>
6.D-Ensure effectiveness of staff to accomplish organizational goals	6.D.1 – Conduct annual staff evaluations to include professional development plans	Executive Director & NAAE Board of Directors	Annual staff     evaluations conducted     and professional     development plans     created.	<ul> <li>NAAE board evaluates executive director annually.</li> <li>NAAE executive director evaluates NAAE staff annually.</li> </ul>

	6.D.2 – Provide professional development opportunities to staff as needed	Executive Director & NAAE Board of Directors	Professional development opportunities provided to staff.	<ul> <li>Executive director ensures that staff have access to appropriate professional development opportunities to ensure staff are well-prepared to do their jobs effectively and efficiently.</li> <li>NAAE board ensures that executive director has access to appropriate professional development opportunities to ensure he/she is well-prepared to do his/her job effectively and efficiently.</li> </ul>
6.E-Enhance collaboration between state affiliates and NAAE to advance organizational goals	6.E.1 – Work to improve timely and accurate submission of information and payments to NAAE.	Member Services	Timely and accurate information and payments submitted to NAAE.	<ul> <li>Member Services Committee explore ways to ensure that timely and accurate information and dues payments are submitted to NAAE.</li> <li>New NAAE website allows online payment options.</li> </ul>
	6.E.2 – Provide training and resources for state association leadership	Professional Growth	Training and resources provided to state leadership.	<ul> <li>Professional Growth Committee ensures that training and resources are provided to state leadership.</li> <li>State leadership training is provided in multiple settings (face-to-face meetings and webbased).</li> </ul>
6.F-Evaluate the usefulness/ functionality of the leadership handbook	6.F.1-Conduct a review of subsections of the leadership handbook appropriate to respective audiences	Policy & Bylaws	Reviewed leadership handbook for usefulness and functionality.	<ul> <li>Policy and Bylaws Committee review leadership handbook for usefulness and functionality.</li> <li>NAAE board and staff review leadership handbook on annual basis.</li> <li>Handbook revised based on feedback from committee members, board members, and staff.</li> </ul>
6.G-Enhance functioning of committees to facilitate effectiveness of Board	6.G.1- Create a consistent committee process that will ensure continuity and institutional memory	Policy & Bylaws	Committee process ensures continuity and institutional memory.	<ul> <li>Policy and Bylaws Committee reviews and ensures committee process provides for efficient and effective committee functionality.</li> <li>Committee leadership has continuity and institutional memory.</li> </ul>
	6.G.2- Each committee will collaborate annually with the Board to determine its charge	All committees	Board and committee collaborate annually.	<ul> <li>Board and all committees collaborate annually.</li> <li>Committees complete self- evaluation.</li> </ul>

6.H-Ensure long- term financial planning in support of organizational goals	6.H.1-Evaluate financial resources essential for implementation of organizational goals	Finance	Financial resources evaluated.	<ul> <li>Finance Committee evaluate financial resources including annual budget and financial compilations.</li> <li>Organization has an annual audit from a neutral independent auditing firm.</li> </ul>
	6.H.2-Assess availability of funds needed for new initiatives in relation to ongoing organizational commitments	Finance	Availability of funds assessed.	Finance Committee evaluate availability of funds.
6.I-Assessment and renewal of the Strategic Plan	6.I.1-Assess the strategic plan annually and establish a time frame for the renewal of the plan three years from its adoption	All Committees	Strategic plan assessed annually and renewed.	All committees, board, and staff assess the strategic plan annually and renew as needed.