# NATIONAL TEACH AG CAMPAIGN 2016 STATE TEACH AG RESULTS (STAR) GRANT PROGRAM

#### WHAT IS THE STAR GRANT PROGRAM?

States enrolled in the STAR program are eligible for grants administered through the National Teach Ag Campaign for at least two consecutive years. Distribution is based on each states timeline and implementation process. Funding amount may vary from year to year depending on sponsorship. In 2016 each state will receive *at least \$8000* in grant support.

# **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be a current active STAR state
  - Intent to participate form submitted with all required signatures (please note circumstances where certain signatures are not possible)
    - State Ag Ed Director/Supervisor
    - State Agricultural Educators Association Board Member
    - Agricultural Education Department faculty member
    - State FFA Alumni representative
    - State FFA Foundation representative
  - o Hold a minimum of two progress meetings during the calendar year with 80% STAR team attendance. Meetings will be held via conference call/remote meeting software.
  - o Current STAR budget finalized by January 30, 2016.
  - Submit annual summary report and photos by November 1, 2016.
  - Submit state supply and demand data to the National Supply and Demand study no later than October 30<sup>th</sup>.

# **ACCESSING A STAR GRANT**

- Only the STAR State Contact or Co-contact may apply for the grant.
- The grant must be used to implement strategies identified by the STAR team and indicated in the state STAR budget.
- Complete the online request form http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/1796895/2014-STAR-Grant-Application
- Return the signature form via email or US mail to Andrea Fristoe (afristoe.naae@uky.edu)
- The National Teach Ag Campaign will process grant requests once the signed agreement has been received.
- A check for the entire amount will be mailed to the addressee and address indicated on the request form. This may take several weeks after the signature form has been submitted.

# **SUMMARY REPORTS**

- The summary reports are used to capture overall impact and strategy effectiveness. The reports are vital to ensuring future grant opportunities.
- An online grant summary report must be completed no later than November 1, 2016 for all requests made during 2016.
  - http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/1174850/2013-Teach-Ag-Grant-Summary
- Three high quality photos must also be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:afristoe.naae@uky.edu">afristoe.naae@uky.edu</a> with the Subject Heading (STATE) Grant Photos.

• States must complete the summary and photo requirements to be eligible for future STAR grants and other STAR services.

#### **SPONSOR VISIBILITY**

- Teach Ag sponsor sign displayed at STAR related recruitment and retention events.
- Invitation for sponsor to attend STAR events with remarks or as a special guest.
- Workshop and/or presentation opportunities at conferences and meetings.
- Inclusion of sponsor locations for tour groups.
- Sponsor logo present at STAR events.
- Other as mutually agreed upon.

# WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STAR PROGRAM?

The STAR grant program is a component of the National Teach Ag Campaign. The National Teach Ag Campaign is an initiative of the National Council for Agricultural Education led by the National Association of Agricultural Educators, funded by the CHS Foundation, DuPont Pioneer and Growth Energy as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

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