



Sonoma County Farm Bureau Ag Days 2017



Ag Education Teacher Award Application

(Proposals are due Feb. 17, 2017)

Teacher(s) First Name: _____ Teacher(s) Last Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Principal Name: _____

School Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

School Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Proposal Title: _____

Estimated Project Completion Date: _____

Teacher(s) Signature

Principal Signature

(Please attach your 1-2 page proposal)



AG EDUCATION TEACHERS CONTEST



Sonoma County Farm Bureau is pleased to recognize local teachers at Ag Days 2017 who go above and beyond to support agricultural and environmental education in the classroom. As your local agricultural education resource, Farm Bureau is offering an Ag Education Teachers Contest.

Contest Entry Summary

Submit a proposal of 1-2 pages illustrating a project you are either currently developing with your students and would like to gain support to further its completion or a garden experiential learning project you are inspired to create. Proposals should be directly related to, but are not limited to, the themes and topics below:

Agriculture and our local food systems, nutrition education, soil health and/or compost, water conservation, rainwater catchment, pollinators, beneficial insects, ecosystem health, seasonality in our food shed, etc.

Please explain how this project would support in-classroom curriculum and hands-on learning experiences for your students. Describe what resources you need to complete a project or if possible, provide the design (or proposed design) of your space. Projects and curriculum targeting the importance of agriculture through engaging learning activities based on the design of your space is recommended. If your project is based on an established school garden site, please include information on the percentage of students who utilize the learning space, successes and challenges of managing the garden and how you measure the overall success of the garden program as it relates to in-classroom curriculum.

Selection Process:

Your entry will be judged based on the creativity and ingenuity of your project with a focus on the connections made between agriculture and youth using topics and concepts listed above. Contest winners will be required to present photos of their project's progress to share on Farm Bureau's PowerPoint presentation at the Ag Days Awards Dinner as well as on the web site and in the Sonoma-Marin Farm News publication.

Timeline:

Applications for this contest are due February 17, 2017.

Recognition of award will be March 14, 2017 at the Ag Days Awards Dinner.

Provide final report and photos upon completion of project.

Contest Awards:

- 1st Place: An award of \$1,000 to support the development of the project or expansion of an existing agricultural learning environment on campus.
- 2nd Place: Harmony Farm Supply gift card for \$500.
- 3rd Place: Galvanized trough with soil, garden tools and seasonal plant starts valued at \$250.