

Agricultural Education Program Development Timeline

Agriculture and the food, fiber and natural resource system is America's most creative, productive and basic industry. Much of this country's success in agriculture can be attributed to a sound program of education. To advance a dynamic and efficient agriculture, food and natural resource system and to assure the continued well-being of our society, first-rate education must continue to be a high priority. Agricultural Education is a cooperative effort among educational institutions, government agencies and food, fiber and natural resource-related businesses to ensure a strong and vibrant agriculture, food, fiber and natural resource system.

The steps listed below are a guide to the successful implementation of an Agricultural Education Program that will prepare students for successful careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture!

Step #1 – Form Advisory Committee

- Determine pathways and program curriculum.
- Assess resources and recommend needs.
- Serve as resource for administration.

Step # 2 – Secure Support of Local Administration

- Determine what funding is available for agriculture education programs.
- Define Value to School and Community

Step # 3 – Course Planning & Scheduling

- Determine
- Use Career Paths and State Standards to determine Course Titles
- Create Course Descriptions
- Plan for Student Awareness

Step # 4 – Advertise for and Hire Instructor

- Contact State Ag Ed Director to Post on National FFA/AGED Website and within the state.

Step # 5 – Secure Program Approval

- Contact State Ag Ed Director to assist with the program approval process.