

Build your timeline for success

Remember: this is a process that may take a great deal of time. It may take up to two years to open a program from the time you begin working on your proposal until the first class is taught.

1. Determine your goal for establishment of an agricultural education program
2. Ask state agricultural education staff for input in setting an appropriate timeline for meeting your goal.
3. Consider the following when setting your timeline:
 - Local officials approval timeline
 - Local budgetary timeline
 - Local capital improvement timeline (if needed)
 - State approval timeline
 - State budgetary timeline
 - State facilities approval timeline
 - How soon you need to post the agriculture teacher position to secure a qualified instructor
 - Timeline for student pre-enrollment for the academic year
4. After establishing your goal for beginning the program, set reasonable goals for meeting these timelines