



Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc.

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**Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc. is proud to announce the
2010 Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award and
2010 Outstanding Volunteer Program of the Year Award**

WHAT IS AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM?

Agriculture is an important part of everyone's life. Clothing, food, fuel, housing, medicine, and much more are rooted in agriculture. The mission of Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc. is to help Florida school children understand these important connections by providing teachers with the tools to incorporate agricultural concepts in their language arts, math, science and social studies lessons. Florida Agriculture in the Classroom relies on its legion of industry volunteers to reach even more students and teachers by carrying out many of its programs such as county teacher and volunteer workshops, local Adventure field trips, Ag Learning Barn mobile libraries and Agriculture Literacy Day reading sessions, among other efforts.

WHAT IS THE OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD?

The Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes an industry volunteer who gives freely of his or her time and who uses creative approaches to teach students about the importance of Florida agriculture using Florida Agriculture in the Classroom curricula, materials and programs. The winner will receive an all expenses paid trip to the Florida Agriculture in the Classroom State Workshop "Serving Up Florida Agriculture Education" at the TradeWinds Beach Resort on St. Petersburg Beach June 17-19 where he or she will be recognized at the banquet.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Individuals not currently working as teachers who are actively involved in county and/or statewide Ag in the Classroom activities and who aren't paid for their Ag in the Classroom participation are eligible for the Volunteer of the Year Award.

WHAT IS THE OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD?

The Outstanding Volunteer Program of the Year Award recognizes a county or statewide volunteer program that uses creative approaches to teach students about the importance of Florida agriculture using concepts and materials from Florida Agriculture in the Classroom. Two representatives of the winning program will receive all expenses paid trips to the Florida Agriculture in the Classroom State Workshop "Serving Up Florida Agriculture Education" at the TradeWinds Beach Resort on St. Petersburg Beach June 17-19 where they will be recognized at the banquet.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Programs in Florida that are actively involved in county and/or statewide Ag in the Classroom activities and that have participants who aren't paid for their Ag in the Classroom participation are eligible for the Volunteer Program of the Year Award.

HOW CAN NOMINATIONS BE SUBMITTED?

Nominations can be made by a co-worker, an administrator, a parent, teacher or fellow volunteer. Self nominations are allowed as well. Nomination packets should include:

- a. A letter from the nominator, including the specific criteria used to make this selection
- b. A completed Nomination Form

2010 Volunteer of the Year Award
2010 Volunteer Program of the Year Award
Nomination Form
(Please specify by circling the appropriate award above.)

1.) I do hereby nominate _____ for the 2010 Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc. Volunteer of the Year Award or 2010 Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc. Volunteer Program of the Year Award.

Nominee (s) Address(es) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone(____) _____ E-mail address _____

2.) Attached is a letter (up to 2 pages) detailing the nominee's contributions to help promote agricultural literacy, which includes specific references to use of Florida Agriculture in the Classroom materials and programs in his, her or their activities.

3.) Your Name _____

Business _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail address _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Please submit all nominations on or before **Friday May 14, 2010** to the address, email address or fax listed below:

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