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2012 Excellence in Teaching about Agriculture: A Florida Awards Program

Dear Teachers and Volunteers:

Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc. (FAITC) each year sponsors an awards program for Florida teachers who demonstrate that they use Agriculture in the Classroom concepts in their classroom lessons. Eligible nominees are certified teachers who are engaged in integrating agricultural concepts into non-vocational agriculture settings in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade or middle school agri-science teachers who teach in a rotation system.

Teachers who are interested in nominating themselves or other teachers, or volunteers who are interested in nominating teachers, have until Friday, December 16, 2011 to complete the enclosed application form and mail it to Florida Agriculture in the Classroom. Nomination forms should be postmarked on or before December 16, 2011.

The overall Florida winner will receive a \$500 honorarium and the other three winners will receive \$250 each. All four teacher winners will receive all expenses paid trips to the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference June 19-22, 2012 in Loveland, Colorado.

A teacher will be chosen from winners of the elementary, middle and high school categories as the Florida nominee for the National Excellence in Teaching about Agriculture Award. The middle school agri-science teacher winner can compete for the national award if he or she demonstrates that his or her project reaches outside his or her classroom to other students in the school. Information about last year's award winners is available on the Florida Agriculture in the Classroom website at www.agtag.org (Please note that if you applied for 2011 and did not win, you are eligible for this year's awards program. Please re-apply if you continue to include agricultural concepts in your classroom studies.)

We look forward to receiving your applications. Please contact Lisa Gaskalla at (352) 846-1391 or at Gaskalla@ufl.edu with any questions.

Sincerely,

Lisa Gaskalla, Executive Director

**2012 FLORIDA EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING ABOUT AGRICULTURE AWARD
APPLICATION FORM**

Name _____

Home Address _____ Phone (____) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

School Name _____

School Address _____ Phone (____) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

E-mail address _____

Grade Level _____ Subjects taught _____

Number of years teaching experience _____ Number of years at current school _____

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

POSITION	SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION	DATES
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

EDUCATION

INSTITUTION	YEAR	DEGREE/CERTIFICATION
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

AWARDS AND HONORS RELATED TO TEACHING

OTHER RECOGNITION OR HONORS



MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

SUMMARY

Prepare a summary description (no more than one page in 12-point type on a separate sheet of 8 ½ -inch by 11 inch paper) of the teacher's Ag in the Classroom techniques or projects. If the teacher is selected, this summary will be included in his or her application for the national Agriculture in the Classroom award.

Nominees Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please mail **SIX** copies of the completed application form to the address listed below. The deadline for submitting applications to the FAITC office is **Friday December 16, 2011**.

(Applications must be in the FAITC office by 5 p.m. on or before December 16, 2011.)

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