



## 2009-2010 ILLINOIS AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM PROJECT GRANTS FOR TEACHERS

The Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom program is offering grants of up to \$250 to Pre-School through High School teachers across the state of Illinois to fund projects promoting agricultural literacy in the classroom.

- To apply for project funding, please complete the form below, outlining the project, goals and desired outcomes.
- Projects may be, but are not limited to, agricultural teaching units, classroom presentations, and career fairs. *Be creative and develop an **interesting, valuable agricultural experience** for your students.*
- Projects should focus on *integrating agriculture into a variety of curriculum areas.*
- Priority for grants will be give to grants that contain materials for use over multiple school years.
- High School Ag teachers may apply with an elementary teacher if their classes or FFA Chapters are working on an agriculture literacy unit. Grants and materials must reflect an Agriculture Literacy theme or component.
- Incomplete grants or grants that request consumables will not be considered. ***This grant will not fund consumable items.*** Funding for field trips, landscaping, plants, incubators and one time use consumables will not be granted.
- In the past, grant reviewers have looked more favorably upon grants with a direct agriculture connection (IL Crop/Livestock) than materials related to general insects, butterflies and composting. Reviewers also recommend that your grant request be used in whole for a specific project rather than linked to other potential funding.
- Samples of funded grant applications can be found at [www.agintheclassroom.org](http://www.agintheclassroom.org).
- You may contact your county Ag Literacy Coordinator for help with this application. A listing of coordinators can be found on our website.

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**Applications must be received in the Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom office by 4:00 p.m. on October 1, 2009.** Faxed and e-mailed applications will be accepted. Teachers selected for the project funding will be notified by November 2, 2009 and receive an agreement to be signed and returned. A final report, accounting, and project evaluation will be due to the Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom by May 31, 2010. Guidelines for the final reports will be mailed with checks.

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Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level:  Pre-School  K  1<sup>st</sup>  2<sup>nd</sup>  3<sup>rd</sup>  4<sup>th</sup>  5<sup>th</sup>  6<sup>th</sup>  7<sup>th</sup>  8<sup>th</sup>  
 High School (List Subject Area/s: \_\_\_\_\_)

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

County of School Location \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Past Teacher Grant Recipient?: \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no (just for our records, will not disqualify this request)

**Title of Project:**

**Illinois Learning Standards Addressed:**

**Number of Students Involved in Project:**

Objectives: (please use extra paper if needed)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Materials Needed: **Be very specific.** (please use extra paper if needed)

Overview of Activity and Project Timeline: **Please provide detail.**

How this Project relates to Agriculture:

Method of Project Evaluation: (please use extra paper if needed)

Budget for Project: (please **ITEMIZE** and use extra paper if needed)

Amount Requested: (amount from itemized list) **NOT TO EXCEED \$250.00** \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF BUILDING PRINCIPAL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND THIS REQUEST TO:  
**ILLINOIS AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM**  
1701 TOWANDA AVENUE, BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701  
Phone: 309-557-3334, FAX: 309-557-2098  
Incomplete applications will not be considered.  
Email applications to: [aitc@ifb.org](mailto:aitc@ifb.org)

An electronic version of this application can be found at [www.agintheclassroom.org](http://www.agintheclassroom.org).

