

Ag in the Classroom's Mini-Grant Program



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The North Dakota Ag in the Classroom is pleased to offer grants up to \$500 to groups or individuals sponsoring programs or projects that promote agricultural literacy. Approximately \$10,000 will be awarded. Grants may be awarded for less than the full amount requested, based upon the discretion of the granting committee and the funds available.

The proposed project must be targeted to young people from 5-18 years of age and should enhance student knowledge of the contribution made by agriculture. Proposed projects or events designed to reach large groups of students will be given preference, as will those that involve innovative approaches to promoting agricultural literacy.

GOAL of the Mini-Grant Program: The grant will be used to promote agriculture and to teach young people about agriculture within our schools and communities. The funds will be available to any school-aged students, teachers, and others in the community who are involved with agriculture.

Timeline for the Grant Proposals:

May-August: Information disseminated

September 9: Grant Proposals due in the OFFICE (not postmarked this date)

September 20: Announcement of Awards

May 1: Project Report Forms Due

Format for Proposals:

1. **Must be typed.** Proposals can be typed directly onto the provided application form or that form can be duplicated in a word processing program.
2. The proposals will be limited to the application form with a maximum of 4 pages, which will provide a thorough explanation of the project implementation and evaluation plans.
3. A completed Project Report Form is required by May 1 if you are granted the funds.
4. Funds must be returned if the project and report form are not completed by May 1.

Examples of programs that may be funded: farm safety programs, purchase of agriculture curriculum, celebration of agriculture festivals, elementary grades visiting nearby farm or agricultural industry, a classroom's preparation of a meal using all North Dakota products, farm safety days, startup funds for small greenhouse project, etc. Visit the Ag in the Classroom website for ideas that can be used to support your project (www.ndaginclassroom.org)

For more information: Please contact Beth Bakke Stenehjem or Joel Janke at (701) 224-8390 or email bethbakke@btinet.net . Information on the website can be found at www.ndaginclassroom.org

Ag in the Classroom Mini-Grant Application (please type – not to exceed 4 pages)

Name of Contact Person _____ Organization/School/Business _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

Email Address _____

If funding is awarded, name of agency, individual, or account grant check is to be made payable to:

What is the purpose of this project?

Description of the project and how it enhances student awareness of agriculture (**including number of students expected to be served**):

Timetable of Project:

How do you plan to measure the success of the project?

Please list any local groups, individuals, or other partnering organizations involved in the proposed project:

Budget: Include a detailed breakdown of expenses/income. What is the amount you are requesting?