



## **Arkansas Ag in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher Award**

The Arkansas Ag in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher Award recognizes an outstanding teacher in Arkansas who incorporates agricultural themes into non-agricultural curricula. If you know a teacher who uses agriculture in the classroom, please encourage them to apply for the award. Teachers can self-nominate, be nominated by fellow teachers, principals, superintendents, or nominated by a county Farm Bureau leader.

There are many outstanding teachers who are using ag in the classroom, and a local teacher may be the next state winner and possibly the next national winner! The winning teacher will be awarded a monetary prize, an iPad Air tablet, and a trip to the National Ag in the Classroom Conference June 23-26, 2026, in Providence, Rhode Island. The winning teacher will also be recognized at the Arkansas Farm Bureau Annual Convention in Hot Springs in December.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to recognize an outstanding teacher. The use of agriculture in teachers' classrooms is also a celebration of the efforts of their respective county Farm Bureau.

**The application deadline is March 6, 2026.**

Thank you for helping spread the word about the award program. If you have any questions, please contact Donette Spann at (501) 228-1222 or [donette.spann@arfb.com](mailto:donette.spann@arfb.com).



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Arkansas Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom program will honor an Arkansas teacher who integrates the concepts of agriculture into non-agricultural curricula. Agriculture is the largest industry in Arkansas and an important part of everyday life. The concepts and issues of agriculture can support the teaching of many academic disciplines. This award was created to recognize and honor educators in Arkansas for their efforts and achievements in teaching students about the importance of agriculture.

### Eligibility

Any certified teacher currently engaged in classroom instruction at the Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade level who is integrating agricultural concepts into non-agricultural curricula is encouraged to apply. **Prior winners of this award are ineligible.**

### Criteria for Selection

Teachers must utilize agricultural information and/or materials within the classroom curriculum to assist students in learning the importance of agriculture while also mastering required educational standards. Learning activities may include but are not limited to, understanding agriculture's impact on people's lives, the environment, the economy, our national heritage, and national security. Innovative and interdisciplinary programs are encouraged.

### Award

The teacher selected will receive:

- A scholarship to attend the 2026 National Ag in the Classroom Conference in Providence, Rhode Island, June 23-26, 2026. The scholarship covers full registration, lodging, travel, and meals.
- \$1,000 award
- iPad Air tablet

### Application Process

Self-nominations, as well as nominations from school faculty, community leaders, parents of students, and county Farm Bureau leaders, are invited. Online applications must be submitted no later than **March 6, 2026**.

To apply: <https://form.jotform.com/253495848372067>

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