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**Forty Teachers Receive CHS Foundation Scholarships to attend
National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference in Arkansas this June!**

Teachers from around the United States have been selected to receive scholarships from the CHS Foundation to attend the 2019 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference 'AgVenture in the Natural State' scheduled for June 19-21 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Forty K-12 teachers were selected for their desire to learn more innovative ways to use agricultural concepts to teach reading, writing, math, science and social studies and more. Onsite and traveling workshops at the conference will provide these teachers with demonstrations of how effective the use of agricultural concepts in classroom instruction can be. In addition, teachers will network with other educators who have a passion for K-12 agricultural literacy.

The CHS Foundation has provided these scholarships to teachers since 2013.

"Thanks to the CHS Foundation we are able to include even more teachers in the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference," said Will Fett, president of the National Agriculture in the Classroom Organization (NAITCO) and executive director of Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation. "NAITCO highly values partnerships like the one it has with the CHS Foundation, which helps us expand its K-12 agricultural literacy outreach to many more teachers across the country."

The following teachers will receive scholarships to the conference, which covers early registration of \$435:

- Casey Beavers, Pottsville High School, Arkansas
- Kelsey Elam, Magnolia High School, Arkansas
- Christopher Lavagnino, Ronald Reagan Elementary, California
- Lindsay Smith, Nelson Academy, California
- Malcolm Davis, Sabin Middle School, Colorado
- Rebecca Kiefer, North Fork Montessori at Crawford School, Colorado
- Deborah Tanzy, Gardner School, Colorado
- Jennifer Carroll, Roopville Elementary, Georgia
- Diana Cole, Statham Elementary, Georgia
- Karen Garland, Clark Creek Elementary, Georgia
- Gayla Singletary, Taylor County High School, Georgia
- Brent Davis, Petersburg Elementary, Illinois
- Mary Zumwalt, Altamont Lutheran School, Illinois
- Molly Coffman, Sand Creek Elementary, Indiana
- Beth Laughbaum, Bettendorf Middle School, Iowa
- Kacie Lockyear, Winfield Unified School District, Kansas
- Patricia Wolfe, Lakemary Center, Kansas
- Nancy Smith, Bentwood Elementary, Kansas
- Sarah Howard, Newton Parrish Elementary, Kentucky
- Karen Parrino, North Live Oak Elementary, Louisiana
- Elizabeth Pregovisk, Messalonskee High School, Maine
- Olivia Kowalski, Barclay Elementary/Middle School, Maryland
- Jessica Bester, Ogilvie Public Schools, Minnesota
- Dawn Maple, Matoska International IB World School, Minnesota

- Hanna White, Woodsville Elementary, New Hampshire
- Cindy Shafer, Colinas del Norte Elementary, New Mexico
- Judith DeRario, Krieger Elementary, New York
- Jessica Santiago-Sterzinar, P176X at Truman High School, New York
- Cheryl Starace, Pound Ridge Elementary, New York
- Tammy Will, Morrison Public Schools, Oklahoma
- Debra Wood, Charles Haskell Elementary, Oklahoma
- Natalie Myhre, Cornerstone Elementary, Tennessee
- Danielle VanCleave, Sharon School, Tennessee
- Mary Beth Bauer, Our Lady of the Hills Regional Catholic School, Texas
- Flor Cuevas, Sullivan Elementary, Texas
- Brenda McVicar, Marshall ISD, Karnack ISD and Jefferson ISD, Texas
- Michael Cruse, Arlington Career Center, Virginia
- Pamela Hall, Windsor Elementary, Virginia
- Susan Douglas, Almira School District, Washington
- Ashley VandenBush, St. John Bosco Catholic School, Wisconsin

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NAITCO is a non-profit organization made up of Agriculture in the Classroom programs in most of the 50 states and six territories. Its mission is to educate teachers and students in kindergarten through 12th grade about the importance of agriculture by incorporating agricultural concepts into classroom instruction.

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