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VERMEER SUPPORTS 2021 NATIONAL AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM CONFERENCE "FIELDS OF DREAMS" JUNE 28-JULY 1 IN DES MOINES, IOWA

Vermeer Corporation, global manufacturer of industrial and agricultural equipment, is sponsoring the 2021 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference "Fields of Dreams" scheduled for June 28-July 1 in Des Moines, Iowa to help strengthen pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) through 12th grade agricultural literacy outreach.

"Our team is proud to serve the farmers and ranchers feeding and fueling their communities across our country," said Managing Director of Forage Solutions and third-generation Vermeer family member Mindi Vanden Bosch. "We are pleased to support the dedicated educators who are driving the future of agriculture as they encourage students to explore agriculture and get them excited about possible career opportunities."

"With the support of new partners like Vermeer, we are growing our team of industry allies to help educate students about the importance of agriculture. We strive to ensure our educators and students have access to free, accurate resources centered around agricultural concepts that can be integrated into classroom instruction," said Tammy Maxey, president of National Agriculture in the Classroom Organization (NAITCO) and programs director of Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom.

NAITCO and its Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC) state program members in most of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands reached 87,000 teachers and 8.2 million students in Pre-K through 12th grade in 2019.

About Vermeer Corporation

Vermeer delivers a real impact on the way important work gets done through the manufacture of highquality agricultural, underground construction, surface mining, tree care and environmental equipment. With a reputation for being build tough and built in a better way, that equipment is backed by localized customer service and support provided by independent dealers around the world. To learn more about Vermeer, products, the dealer network and financing options, visit <u>www.Vermeer.com</u>.

About National Agriculture in the Classroom Organization (NAITCO)

NAITCO's mission is to increase agricultural literacy through Pre-K-12 education and it does so with an online, searchable database of lessons and resources called the National Agricultural Literacy Curriculum Matrix, a national conference, a virtual conference, a national teacher awards program and professional development and support for Agriculture in the Classroom state programs in most of the 50 U.S. states and territories. To learn more about NAITCO, please visit www.agclassroom.org.

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