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Utah Agriculture in the Classroom's  
Newsletter for K-12 Educators

Fall 2018

## Apply for the 2019 Utah Excellence in Teaching about Agriculture Award

Utah Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC) is looking for an outstanding teacher who increases student awareness about agriculture and instills in students an appreciation for our food and fiber system. Certified teachers currently engaged in integrating agricultural concepts into classroom settings at the K-12 grade levels in Utah are eligible.

One award will be given to a Utah teacher. The teacher selected will receive statewide recognition and be nominated for the National Excellence in Teaching about Agriculture Award. The national award includes up to \$1,500 of paid travel expenses to



attend the 2019 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference held in Little Rock, Arkansas, June 19–21, 2019.



The stories of past Utah and national winning teachers can be found [here](#). Applicants are encouraged to read about these inspiring teachers; the information provided will be helpful as you complete your application.

Application for the state award is due **Friday, November 30, 2018**, and is accessed online at this [link](#). If you have any questions or would like to discuss ideas for your application, please contact Denise Stewardson at [denise.stewardson@usu.edu](mailto:denise.stewardson@usu.edu) or 435-797-1592. We are excited to hear about the work you're doing to support agricultural literacy in your classrooms!

## Mark your Calendars: July 29–31, 2019

Our Summer Agriculture Institute (SAI) will take place July 29–31, 2019.

SAI is an exciting three-day, traveling agricultural institute designed to help K-12 teachers infuse their existing curriculum with the depth and real-world relevance that agriculture can bring to classroom learning experiences. Packed with food, tours, and inservice training, this special institute will provide professional

development, foster agricultural literacy, and equip teachers with research-based lessons and activities. Participants will receive free classroom materials that are aligned with Utah standards and objectives. Join us as we tour various locations from Salt Lake City to Logan.

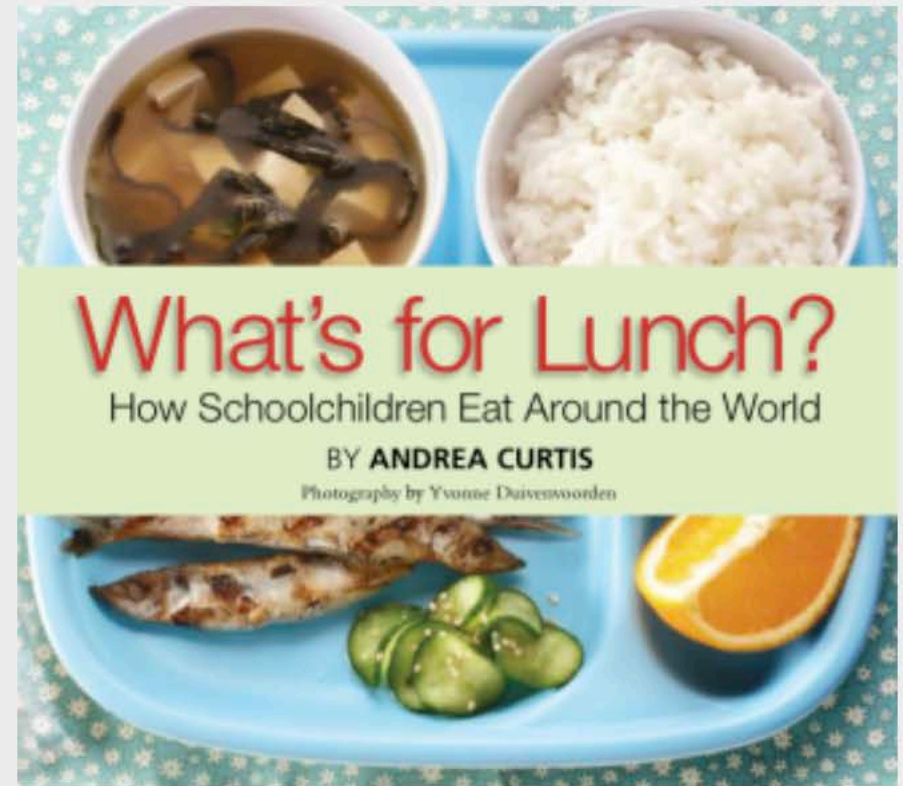
Watch for more details in the winter newsletter!



# Featured Lessons and Resources

## Cultures, Food, and Communities Around the World (grades 3-5)

Students will explore different cultures around the world, compare worldwide communities with local communities, and explain the interrelationship between the environment and community development.



## World Hunger Map

With our grocery store shelves overflowing with a seemingly unlimited abundance of food, many Americans do not realize that around the world, in our own nation, and



even in our own communities, people may not have enough food for adequate nutrition. This map clearly shows the percentage of undernourished individuals around the globe and is a great tool to teach students about the importance of food and the reality that even with as much food as there is in the world, some people still go hungry.

### Journey 2050 (grades 6-8 and 9-12)

Students will explore and understand the core question, “How will we sustainably feed 9 billion people by the year 2050?” and begin to think about the challenges and opportunities presented by this question. Students will explore factors such as expected population growth, food waste, and various positive and negative factors impacting sustainable agriculture.

