WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATORS





WHO WE ARE?

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WAAE is a professional organization made up of middle school, high school and post-secondary agriculture teachers. We are dedicated to agricultural educators in developing knowledge and sharpening skills about the ever-evolving agricultural industry.

CLASSES OFFERED

- Agriculture Business Pathway
- Biotechnology Systems Pathway
- Environmental Service Systems Pathway
- Plant Systems Pathway
- Animal Systems Pathway
- Natural Resource Systems Pathway
- Food Products and Processing Pathway
- Power, Structural and Technical Systems Pathway

WORK BASED LEARNING

- Youth Apprenticeship
- State Certified Coop Certificate
- Employability Skills
- Youth Leadership Certificate



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GEARS IN MOTION

Our non-profit organization includes:

- New Teacher Mentor Program
- Live What We Teach Series
- Teach Ag Thrives
- Diversity, Inclusion, Equity
- Developing and maintaining curriculum
- Provide state, regional and national professional development opportunities
- Network with business leaders, colleagues, and sponsors developing relationships between the classroom and the industry
- Advocate for the local agricultural education program and industry
- State-wide listserv for teachers to use for forums, questions, current information, etc.



BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

The Board of Directors consists of Past President President President Elect Executive Director Ten state sections with each having a Vice President and Alternate Vice President Post-Secondary Vice President and Alternate Vice President each for On-Campus and Farm Business Production Management Two Legislative Liaison Members



<u>FFA</u> PREMIER LEADERSHIP PERSONAL GROWTH CAREER SUCCESS



BENEFITS OF BEING A WAAE MEMBER

CAERT curriculum - WAAE is a full partner in the adoption of this tool as a statewide agricultural education resource, School Districts of WAAE members are eligible to receive subscription discounts to CAERT curriculum materials. Find the WAAE order form online at MyCAERT Order Forms.

Mentor Program - WAAE has a nationally recognized mentor program with retirees available to provide all members with assistance as needed at no cost to the districts.

NAAE Convention Stipend - The budgeted yearly stipend is evenly split between WAAE members attending NAAE Convention which allows you to see the national association at work for you.

Awards Program - WAAE members qualify to be nominated for sectional/state awards and can qualify to be selected as regional and/or national award winners. All teachers in the program must be WAAE members to qualify for National award competition.

Professional Development - WAAE offers over 80 PD workshops yearly at the summer conference to its members. AAE sponsors our annual professional development conference each summer. Members receive a substantial discount which offsets a reasonable dues package. A library of video taped workshops exists on the website for members only.

Listserv - NAAE, in cooperation, with Purdue University, developed an electronic mail serve for use by agricultural education teachers, state staff, educators and other agricultural interested parties.

National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) - Receive a 19% discounted membership rate for NAAE members.

Advocacy - WAAE is a champion for advocacy and has developed materials that you can use to promote your program in your school district. All WAAE members have access to these materials and help is available from all sectional WAAE officers as well as a number of other veteran teachers who have strong advocacy efforts for their program.

Continuing Education - Your professional association offers you much in the way of continuing education through workshops as well as co-sponsored in-service sessions with DPI in both spring and fall.

Networking - Becoming a WAAE/NAAE member fosters networking between fellow agriculture instructors in all areas of our education family who work in the promotion of agriculture education.

Career Development Events -WAAE is the fiscal agent for the Wisconsin FFA State Career Developments held at UW-Madison. The WAAE CDE committee and its members are key players in the organization of career development events.

WAAE has member representation in the following professional roles:

- o Wisconsin FFA Foundation
- o Wisconsin FFA Center Board
- o Wisconsin Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council

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