



Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators

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WAAE & NAAE STATE LEVEL AWARD APPLICATION

Candidates are selected by fellow WAAE members in their respective sections. For more information about this process, contact the WAAE board member in your respective section.

Application Instructions

Applications should be no more than seven pages, including the following information:

1. Cover Sheets, the first and second pages of this application (page 1-2)
2. Written Narrative (pages 3-6)
3. Supporting Materials (page 7)

Completed applications will be submitted at www.waae.com, under Awards. A headshot photo will need to be submitted with the application.

Deadlines

- Dec. 17: Online submission through www.waae.com
- May 15: State winners complete NAAE application

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION / COVER SHEET

Award Categories

	Outstanding Postsecondary Agriculture Program Award <i>All 2-year or 4-year postsecondary agriculture programs or adult education programs are eligible.</i>
	Outstanding Middle/Secondary Agricultural Education Program Award
	Outstanding Agricultural Education Teacher Award <i>Secondary and postsecondary are eligible.</i>
	Outstanding Early Career Teacher <i>Secondary and postsecondary are eligible</i> <i>Members in their third through seventh year of teaching at the time of application are eligible.</i>
	Teachers Turn the Key <i>Members in their 2nd, 3rd, or 4th year of teaching and who have not attended a NAAE Convention are eligible.</i>
	Teacher Mentor

Applicant Information

Name			
School			
School Address/City/Zip			
School Phone		Home Phone	
Email		Administrator Name	
Contact Information, if different than above:			

Teaching Experience

Total Years of Experience		Years at Current School	
Years as WAAE member, including this year			
List other schools taught at and dates			

Local Media/News Paper Information

Name, address, email and contact name of local newspaper(s):

Applicant Highlights

Quote – it should be something that captures your philosophy or program (20-30 words):

Please bullet these items – select 3 to 5 highlights for each category

FFA Highlights

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Classroom Highlights

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

SAE Highlights

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

II. NARRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

- Write a narrative that describes your involvement in the areas listed below
- Formatting should be double spaced, Times New Roman 12 point font

Content for narrative:

- A. **Overview** – brief description of your agricultural education department/program and the postsecondary community in which your program exists. Include a comparison of the demographics of your department to the demographics of your college/university. Young farmers' and adult ag ed programs may provide a comparison of the community in which they exist. (10%)
- B. **Teaching Philosophy** – a brief reflective statement of your of your program's or department's mission and goals. (15%)
- C. **Overview of Program Curriculum** – examples of effective classroom and laboratory instruction including description of classes offered, teaching methods used, how courses are aligned to standards, etc. (10%)
- D. **Experiential Learning** – examples of your program's/department's accomplishments in getting students involved in work-based learning such as cooperative education, internships, and other career-focused learning experiences. (10%)
- E. **Leadership Development** – examples of your program's/department's successes in developing leadership skills of students within the program/department. Program's participation in student organization activities, such as collegiate FFA, Sigma Alpha, PAS, NYFEA, Ag Ed specific organizations and other student organizations may also be included. (10%)

- F. **Partnerships** - examples of your program's/department's relationships with partners such as volunteers, school and community leaders, industry leaders, and others who have the capacity to support your agricultural education program or department (10%)
- G. **Marketing** – examples of how your program/department markets (or promotes) to groups such as prospective students, parents, administrators, and community leaders. (10%)
- H. **Professional Growth** – examples of how the teachers within your program stay professionally prepared and up-to-date in teaching techniques and technical content including information regarding each teachers' participation in professional organizations such as NAAE, programs sponsored by NAAE including Communities of Practice and your state association (WAAE). (15%)

III. SUPPORTING MATERIALS

- Supporting materials can include, but is not limited to photographs with captions, news articles, and other items.
- Limited to one page
- Evaluation will be included with the evaluation of the components of the narrative. (10%)

RECOGNITION INFORMATION

- All applicants will be recognized at the WAAE Professional Development Conference Awards Banquet