

Food, Fiber & More!

AGRICULTURE

IN THE

CLASSROOM SUMMER INSTITUTE

LOCATION: DELTA ~ JUNE 14-18TH., 2010

FORT COLLINS ~ JUNE 21-25TH, 2010

This is a five day course designed for teachers who have little or no agriculture background.

You can receive 2 credits from Colorado State University.

Cost: \$250

(Scholarships available to pre-registered educators)

"The objectives listed for this class included developing a list of resources, developing an understanding of the agriculture industry, developing an understanding of agriculture's connection to our environment and society, obtaining ideas for using agriculture materials in the classroom, and developing curriculum ideas which integrate agriculture and academic education. For me, all of the objectives were met and I now have a wealth of information to share. My teaching is with college freshmen and sophomores who plan to become teachers. I am very excited to work with our college librarians to put all the resources into the collection for the use of all the students. I will make presentations in classes to inform the students about available materials.

The teaching methods included presentations and discussion with experts, field trips with the opportunity to ask questions of the various presenters, and a full-day hands-on experience working with a farmer or rancher in the area. These methods were so effective for me that I can say that this class was the most interesting class I have taken for many years."

Judy Gump- Aims Community College



Student at the Summer Institute learn about the diversity in agriculture. These pictures show them preg checking cow, learning about plant research at CSU ARDEC Research Center and learning how to build mini-greenhouses for their classroom.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE*:

DAY 1 HANDS-ON MATERIALS

featuring background and history of Colorado agriculture, food safety, environmental concerns, wildlife, biotechnology, resource materials and more. There are fun and creative ways to integrate food and fiber topics with academic curriculum to reinforce Colorado Content Standards. (8:30 am to 5:00 pm)

DAY 2 TOUR farms and ranches. Learn issues and realities of agriculture production from the trenches. Natural resources, including water, and the environment are among the topics covered...(8:30 am to 5:00 pm)

DAY 3 TOUR and BBQ

LOOK, VISIT & LEARN - tour of farms, ranches and food production facilities.

MEET THE PEOPLE INVOLVED: Evening barbeque to meet your hosts for Thursday.(9:00 am to 8:00 pm)

DAY 4 - WALK IN ANOTHER PERSON'S BOOTS

What, irrigation boots? You can be a farmer or rancher for one day; hands-on...really, hands on. This is an opportunity for you to interact one-on-one, learn by experience. Former institute participants say this is the best day. You will meet your host(s) at the Wednesday evening barbecue and determine time and location. (Times vary)

DAY 5 - FOOD, LAND & PEOPLE WORKSHOP

A natural conclusion to the week with the Food, Land & People program and resources. (8:30 am to 3:00 pm)

*The schedule is customized for each course/location

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SUBJECT AREA(S): _____

NUMBER OF YEARS TEACHING: _____

SITES:

Delta ~ June 14-18, 2010

Ft. Collins ~ June 21-25, 2010

- Consider this application for the scholarship program.
- I understand the institute cost is \$250. Enclosed is \$75 deposit to reserve space. (The balance is due the first day of class).
- I need information about housing.

Here is what participants have told us about the Food, Fiber & More Summer Institute:

You have brought an incredible group of talented specialists together. Thank you. Anita Evans

Enjoyed the diversity of the day. I learned so much new information that I did not know. Linda Goodhue

I learned many interesting things. Even though I live in this community, I didn't know so many of these things were going on around me. Amy Hawkins

Every producer had unique concerns and expressed their love of agriculture. Scott Nordberg

I learned ranching and business practices. All these people know their business. This really

impressed me. Plants, land, animals, what works, what doesn't. They are all very educated or self-educated people. This is an extremely useful experience. Michael Chastain

I learned there is so much technology in farming today. Computers can keep track of so much. I have a much better understanding of a dairy. They are very clean farms. This was an amazing experience. Robin Russell

I learned more about the interdependence of animals and people living on the land. I learned more about the need to conserve natural resources. L. McCombs

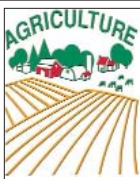
I learned that teaching is not the only multi-hat job! I learned farmers are great environmentalists. I learned who to call for guest speakers. Anita Evans

Farming and ranching is a dynamic and highly technical operation whose function and survival is needed for our community, state and country to thrive and survive. Trace Fair

This is the best course I've ever taken. Thank you - thank you - thank you. Sheryl Hage

Very interesting that we all came to the conclusion that our hosts love the land and the work they do although the jobs vary. I enjoyed this class. It was well organized and applicable. Lorella McCombs

This week has reaffirmed and increased my view that farmers, ranchers, dairymen and other agriculture producers are eternal optimists who work hard, long hours to produce excellent food and other agricultural products for us, the consumer. Linda Soderquist



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