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KFAC accepting applications for 2016 Teacher of the Year award

MANHATTAN, Kan.- April 7, 2015 - The Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (KFAC) is now accepting applications for the 2016 Janet Sims Memorial Teacher of the Year. The award honors one Kansas teacher who demonstrates a commitment to connecting his or her classroom to Kansas agriculture. Applications are due June 19, 2015.

All K-12 district certified Kansas teachers who currently engage in integrating agriculture into a non-vocational agriculture classroom setting is eligible for the award. In addition to the Teacher of the Year award, five deserving regional teachers will be chosen to receive the Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture Excellence in Teaching Award.

The Teacher of the Year award winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to the National Agriculture in the Classroom convention, sponsored by High Plains Journal and AG am in Kansas. Regional teacher winners will receive either a \$600 scholarship to attend the convention or a \$200 gift certificate towards classroom supplies, sponsored by the Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture.

The Janet Sims Memorial Teacher of the Year award has been in place since 2008. The award honors the late Janet Sims, an educator for more than 30 years and a strong agriculture advocate. Sims served on the KFAC board of directors from 2005 until her passing in 2007.

For more information about the award, Janet Sims or to download an application, visit the KFAC website at www.ksagclassroom.org and click on Teachers and Teacher of the Year. The application deadline is June 19, 2015.

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