**Agri-tag**

Agri-Tag license plates have two main objectives: to promote the #1 industry in Kansas and to support the statewide K-12 agriculture literacy program sponsored by Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom. Your support will help fund KFAC programs designed to educate Kansas youth about the importance of agriculture and the role that agriculture plays improving not only the quality of their lives, but also the future of Kansas.

Currently, we have over 1,000 Agri-tags on the road! Be a “driving” force to double the message of agricultural literacy with these moving billboards. If you or someone you know are interested in getting an Agri-tag, please visit your county treasurer’s office.

For an annual tax-deductible donation of $35, you can help further KFAC’s mission of connecting classrooms to Kansas agriculture. The Agri-tag is the only agriculture-related specialty tag in the state. Join us in promoting Kansas’ number one industry - agriculture! [Click here for more information!](#)

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**Grow Green Match Day**

We are excited to announce our participation in Grow Green Match Day on Monday, April 22, 2019. This event is a partnership with the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation. Donations made to KFAC on Grow Green Match Day will receive a 50% match. This is a way to make your dollars stretch further and support KFAC! Your donations will help secure a healthy and sustainable future for our organization and our community.

You can make a donation by visiting Colony Square Atrium at 555 Poyntz Ave., Downtown Manhattan from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. or online by visiting [www.growgreenmanhattan.com](http://www.growgreenmanhattan.com). Please consider helping us further our mission of “Connecting Classrooms to Kansas agriculture” by joining us on April 22nd for Grow Green Match Day! Questions can be directed to [info@ksagclassroom.org](mailto:info@ksagclassroom.org) or by calling the KFAC office at (785) 320-4350.
Teacher of the Year Applications

Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom will soon be accepting applications for the 2020 Janet Sims Memorial Teacher of the Year and Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture Regional Excellence in Teaching awards. The awards honor Kansas teachers who excel at incorporating agriculture into their everyday classroom curriculum. Applications are due June 30, 2019.

All K-12 district-certified Kansas teachers who currently engage in integrating agriculture into a non-vocational agriculture classroom setting are eligible for the award. Applications will be evaluated on creativity and utilization of agricultural information, interdisciplinary approach, advancement of educational standards and student impact.

The Teacher of the Year award winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to the National Agriculture in the Classroom (NAITC) convention, sponsored by High Plains Journal and AG am in Kansas. The Kansas Farm Bureau regional award winners will receive their choice of a $600 scholarship to attend the NAITC convention or a $200 cash prize to use toward classroom supplies, sponsored by Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture. [Click here to apply!]

Donor Feature

This month’s Donor Feature is the Kansas Beef Council. The Kansas Beef Council was formed by the Kansas Livestock Association in 1973 to promote beef across Kansas. The Kansas Beef Council is headquartered in Topeka, Kansas.

[Click here to visit their website!]

March Wrap-Up

March provided KFAC with a variety of opportunities. Our education committee was able to meet and discuss the direction of KFAC for 2019. We were able to attend the Kansas Agriculture Bankers Conference and discuss the need for continued agricultural education in schools today. We traveled to Topeka to discuss agriculture with current legislators on Ag Day. We are also excited to open our teacher of the year applications, starting today!

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Lesson Plan Feature

Our Graze Like a Cow lesson plan is for fourth through tenth graders. Student will learn how a cow digests the grasses and plants they eat and understand the importance of native grasslands to Kansas’ economy.

[Click here to view the full lesson plan!]