

Illinois AGRICULTURE in the ClassroomSM *Accomplishments*

2024



2025

PROGRAMS & RESOURCES



Illinois Ag in the Classroom state staff, along with our **80 county-level AITC coalitions**, were proud to create and facilitate the following programs and resources this year:

31,233

Individual AITC programs across the state

970

Students in 33 classrooms in our Adopt-A-Classroom program

19

New or refreshed text resources

16

New lessons



IAITC programming was made possible this year by the time, passion, & talent of **5,110 county-level volunteers**. The current hourly value of volunteer time is \$34.79. If each gave five hours of their time, then our volunteers contributed more than **\$888,884** to advance agricultural literacy efforts around Illinois this year!

REACH

In-Person

643,958

Unique students

36,335

Classroom teachers

93,496

Community members

2,674

Education centers

536

Pre-service teachers

Online

166,542

Facebook reach

37,842

Visits to our website

15,417

YouTube views

9,560

Facebook followers

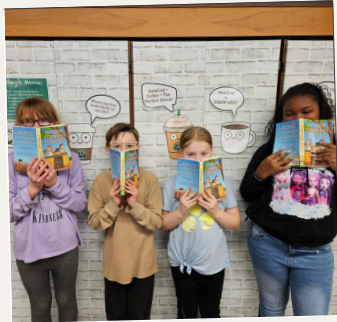
2,030

Teachers on email list

The average session duration on agintheclassroom.org this year was 6 minutes and 43 seconds, compared to the industry-standard 2-3 minutes.

GRANTS

Through the generous support of the IAA Foundation, the following grants were awarded in 2024-2025:



County Coalition Grants
totaling

\$647,000

\$14,846

in **Book Grants**

1,618 Books through 74 Grants

Teacher Grants
totaling

\$19,588

\$4,742

in **Project Grants**

through 19 Grants

County AITC programs were also funded by **11,775 local donors** contributing **\$1,723,613**.

PRESENTATIONS



Hours of professional development provided:

1,064

Summer Agricultural Institutes hosted:

35

Pre-service teacher workshops at 10 colleges:

32

Sessions presented at teacher conferences:

8



NEW RESOURCES THIS YEAR



4 Ag Mags + 2 Interactive



3 Facts for Little Readers



3 Junior Ag Mags



School-Year Calendar



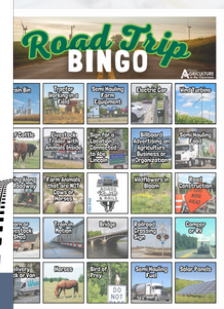
7 Farm Bites



2 New Posters



Roads, Rivers, & Rails Educational Resources



LOOKING AHEAD 2025-2026 Priorities

1

Refresh
4 Ag Mags
and Write 4
Junior Ag Mags

2

Create resources for
our 2026 theme:
Technology
& the Future

3

Expand
online reach
and engagement
(website, social media)

4

Celebrate the
100th Anniversary
of Route 66 in
2026

5

Increase
school-year
teacher training
opportunities

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