

North Central Region Conference  
American Association for Agricultural Education (AAAE)

## **Undergraduate Program**

**Planned by the University of Minnesota**  
**September 22-24, 2005 - Columbus, Ohio**  
University Plaza Hotel and Convention Center

### **Thursday, September 22**

6:00-7:00 pm      Registration

7:15 pm

#### ***Session 1 - Getting to Know Everyone***

- Ice-breaker activities
- Introduction of undergraduates
- Overview of conference schedule and goals
- Teacher Development: Intersection of Craft Knowledge, Research, and Theory - Dr. Richard Joerger, U of MN

8:30 pm

Ice Cream Social

### **Friday, September 23**

7:00-8:00 am      Breakfast on your own

8:00-9:45 am

#### ***Session 2 - Learning About Successful Ideas and People***

- Sharing of Ideas That Work! - Undergraduate students
- Panel Discussion: Using My Agricultural Education Major in the Real World
  - ♦ Leah Addington, Minnesota
  - ♦ Ralph Coffman, Ohio
  - ♦ Rob Hovis, Ohio
- What Should Ag Ed Be Researching?: Preview of Research Session - Dr. Brad Greiman, U of MN

9:45-10:00 am

Break

10:00-11:30 am

#### ***Session 3 - Learning About the Role of Research in Ag Ed***

- Attend Research Concurrent Session A or B

Noon-1:15 pm

Lunch on your own

1:30-2:30 pm

**Session 4 - Learning More About Ag Ed**

- Debriefing on Research Sessions - Dr. Lyle Westrom
- Sharing of Ideas That Work! - Undergraduate students

2:45-8:00 pm

**Session 5 - Learning About the OSU campus and Columbus, Ohio**

- Tour of the OSU Football Stadium, Campus and Ag Ed
- Dinner at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Café

**Saturday, September 24**

7:30-8:30 am

Breakfast on your own

8:30-10:00 am

**Session 6 - Reflecting on What I Learned!**

- Sharing of Ideas That Work! - Undergraduate students
- Identification of the Take-Home Points
- Conference Evaluation

10:00 am

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### Goals of the Undergraduate Conference

- \* Meet & become acquainted with undergraduates at universities in the NC Region.
- \* Communicate and share successful ideas that work for Ag Ed student organizations or departments at universities in the NC Region.
- \* Gain additional enthusiasm for the career opportunities available for students who major in Agricultural Education.
- \* Recognize the role that craft knowledge, research, and theory plays in Agricultural Education.
- \* Visit the Ohio State University campus and/or other points of interest in Columbus.

### Expectations for Undergraduates Who Attend the Conference

To meet the stated goals, the conference planners ask the following of attendees:

- \* The maximum number of students that can attend from each university is five (5).
- \* Attend the conference with an attitude of personal growth and life-long learning, and represent your university with dignity.
- \* The *Sharing of Ideas That Work!* portion of the conference will require each university to develop a 5-10 minute presentation about a successful event, strategy, project, etc. of the Ag Ed Club, ATA, Department, etc, at their university. To better assist in communicating, please bring a single page handout of the successful idea that has some of the key steps and details; bring 40 copies. Consider addressing the following in your handout/presentation:
  - 1) What was the problem that needed to be solved?
  - 2) What process was utilized to plan and conduct the successful event, strategy, project, etc.
  - 3) Why was the event, strategy, project successful? How did you measure success?
  - 4) What advice do you have for other universities that want to conduct this event, strategy, project, etc.?

### Costs

- \* The \$25 registration fee includes the Ice Cream Social, cost of speakers, transportation for the tour, and depending on attendance might include a partial cost of the Friday evening dinner.