

CALL FOR POSTERS

To be considered for presentation at the 2016 Western Region Agricultural Education Conference September 19-21, 2016 – Tucson, AZ

Poster abstracts which report a *completed* idea, research, concept, or innovation that **have not been previously reported** at any AAAE Regional Agricultural Education Research Conference or the National AAAE Research Conference will be considered for acceptance. All abstract submissions will be peer reviewed.

Poster abstracts must be authored or co-authored by authors from the Western Region of AAAE. If you are unsure of your membership status, you can email Marilyn Trefz (trefz.2@osu.edu) to check your membership status several weeks in advance of the submission deadline. Posters without at least one current AAAE member will be rejected.

Two poster session categories (types) will be accepted -- Innovative Idea (teaching, process and products) and Research. Innovative Idea posters must be a new idea or the creative modification of an existing idea. Research posters must be related to a problem, demonstrate a need for research, and address the national agricultural education research agenda. The innovative idea must be implemented or research must be completed prior to submission.

Poster narratives in each category must be of potential regional or national significance focusing in the areas of teaching, communications, extension and/or leadership. A peer review evaluation process will be used based on the established evaluation forms.

Once accepted, posters will be presented at the Western Region Conference. Evaluation will be based upon the poster abstract, design and display, presentation, communication of presenter, significance to the profession, and innovation of idea or related to research poster session (see poster session evaluation sheets available on the web site).

Format

The poster abstract should have these heading/sections when appropriate:

INNOVATIVE IDEA

- Introduction/need for innovation or idea
- How it works/methodology/program phases/steps
- Results to date/implications
- Future plans/advice to others
- Costs/resources needed
- References

RESEARCH

- Introduction/need for research
- Conceptual or theoretical framework
- Methodology
- Results/findings
- Conclusions
- Implications/recommendations/ impact on profession
- References

ABSTRACT FORMAT – NEW THIS YEAR - 2016

- Submit files in Acrobat (PDF) format. Word files are subject to automatic rejection.
- Abstract must be a maximum of **two** pages long plus up to one additional page of references. The abstract must include the title of the poster as the first line of page 1.
- The type of poster should be typed in the upper right-hand corner.
- The maximum submission length is **3 pages** (2 page abstract, 1 page references).
- Document must be formatted in 12 point Times New Roman font, single spaced, with 1" margins. A word template is available on the website. SEE WEBSITE FOR FORMATTING DETAILS. (aaaeonline.org/poster)
- To facilitate a blind review, the author's name or other significant identifying information should not appear in the two-page abstract narrative.
- Poster abstracts not conforming to the required submission guidelines or format may be rejected prior to the review process.
- No cover page on first submission. The author information will be entered in the submission form when uploading the narrative. (Make sure **ALL** authors are listed on submission form.)

Deadline

• Poster narrative proposals are due **Monday, May 16, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. EST**. Proposals must be submitted using the online form available here: www.agedweb/aaae/...

Publication

If the poster is accepted, authors will resubmit the narrative with a cover page added that will then be included in the conference proceedings. Further instructions will be sent to accepted authors.

(NEW THIS YEAR – 2016 – A cover page will only be required on accepted posters.)

• The cover page should contain the following information and be centered on the page—poster abstract title, author name, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address of the authors. The type of poster should be printed in the upper right-hand corner.

Submission

Submissions are completely online. Proposals must be submitted using the online form found at http://www.agedweb.org/agedweb/aaae/ (DO NOT submit on the paper submission site. Make sure you use the poster submission site.)

Submission Instructions:

Submit the poster abstract in Acrobat (PDF) format only.

Additional information regarding formatting, abstract submission and review, and poster evaluation can be found on the AAAE website, http://old.aaaeonline.org/posters/index.php.

Questions regarding submission can be addressed to:

Theresa Murphrey, AAAE Western Region Poster Chair (<u>t-murphrey@tamu.edu</u>) Courtney Meyers, AAAE Poster Review and Submission Manager (<u>courtney.meyers@ttu.edu</u>).