

Position Announcement: Horticulture Area Teacher – North Region

The Georgia Agricultural Education Program is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Area Teacher in Horticulture in the North Region.

Posting Date: February 5, 2013

Application Deadline: Until Filled

Position Title: Horticulture Area Teacher – North Region

Location: North Region Office, Athens, GA

Employment Beginning Date: July 1, 2013 or until filled

Position Description:

The position of Area Horticulture Teacher of Agricultural Education is responsible for planning, prioritizing and delivering educational programs in Horticulture related areas in the North Region to Agricultural Teachers and Students. The position provides specialized assistance to teachers of agriculture to meet the needs of cutting edge technology in the areas of instruction, curriculum development, facilities, laboratories, and equipment.

This position provides long-range planning, goal setting, and prioritizing to effectively and efficiently deliver educational programs for the Agricultural Education Teachers in the area of Agricultural Horticulture. This position builds connection between FFA, Young Farmers and other organizations that deliver high quality educational programs.

The Area Horticulture Teacher provides specialized instruction for Agricultural Teachers, Adults, and in-school students to meet the needs of the Agricultural Industry.

Description of Specific Duties:

Administrative Duties:

- Provide administrative support and guidance to assigned agricultural teachers.
- Assist the region director in working with teachers and administrators to develop balanced programs in each local agricultural education program.
- Assist the region director in conducting school improvement activities and evaluation of standards.
- Assist regional director in reviewing monthly reports and programs of work to insure the teacher is carrying out a balanced program.

Program Development Duties:

- Provide technical assistance to agriculture education teachers in teaching secondary and post secondary classes.
- Provide instruction for groups where instructional services are provided in connection with a local agriculture education program.
- Provide technical assistance to agriculture teachers in the maintenance and operation of specialized agriculture facilities, laboratories and equipment.

- Develop and provide staff development in program areas that will serve the teachers and students of agricultural education with the most up-to-date and advanced technology available in Horticulture.
- Develop lesson plans and instructional materials related to Horticulture to be included on the Agricultural Education Curriculum Web Site, Resource CD / DVD, or Flash Drive.
- Provide training for teachers and students that participate in the FFA Career Development Events and leadership events related to Horticulture or other assigned areas.
- Assist the region director and state program manager in developing new and visionary educational programs that are designed to meet the mission and goals for Agricultural Education.
- To remain knowledgeable and technologically proficient through professional development in the area of Horticulture to better meet the needs of agriculture teachers and students.
- Serves as a liaison between the agricultural education program and the agricultural industry.

Other Duties:

- Provide Additional duties as directed by the North Region Director and the State Program Manager of Agricultural Education.

Minimum Qualifications:

Education: Bachelors in Agricultural Education with three years work experience with proven performance record. Masters Degree Preferred.

Skills Required:

- Ability to think strategically and align goals and resources.
- Ability to manage multiple priorities and work with diverse people and ideas.
- Ability to work and lead in a team environment.
- Demonstrate collaboration, consensus-building and networking skills.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, leadership and subject matter skills are necessary.
- Well defined organizational skills

Salary/Benefits: Teacher's salary plus supplement.

Submit a cover letter and resume to:*

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**Resume should include social security number, daytime telephone number, prior employment, and at least 3 references with addresses and telephone numbers.*