# California Department of Education AGRICULTURAL CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION INCENTIVE GRANT

## 2023–24 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

(Due Date: To be received in Regional Supervisor's Office by August 1, 2023)

PROJECT DURATION: JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024

School Site: \_\_\_\_\_

District:

### **Certification:**

I hereby certify that all applicable state and federal rules and regulations will be observed; that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is correct and complete; and that the attached assurances are accepted as the basic conditions of the operations in this project/program for local participation and assistance.

## PART A – Base Level Funding

In order to qualify for the Agriculture Education Incentive Grant an LEA must meet all the following criteria or provide a Variance approved by the Regional Supervisor for each criterion not met. All evidence must be included with the original application submitted to the Regional Supervisor.

NOTE: Stand-alone middle school programs will only be required to complete PART A. However, they may elect to complete the additional parts if they qualify for additional funding.

Please check each criterion currently being met:

- 1. Properly Credentialed Teachers
  - Log onto CTC and provide printout of credentials or provide a copy of current credentials.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Professional Development
  - Provide printout from teacher journal in AET verifying professional development activities.
  - 3. Course Sequence
    - Provide documents/evidence of at least one three-year course sequence.
  - 4. Grading of Future Farmers of America (FFA) and Supervised Agricultural Experience Participation (SAE)
    - Provide copy of course syllabus identifying grading of FFA and SAE.
  - 5. Alternative Credits
    - Submit description of at least one course meeting A-G, Duel Enrollment, Articulation, etc.
  - 6. Future Farmers of America Constitution and By-Laws
    - Provide a copy of the current Chapter Constitution and Bylaws with the election of officers highlighted.
  - 7. Future Farmers of America Meetings
    - Use meeting manager in AET or provide minutes for a minimum of sixchapter meetings.
  - 8. Agriculture Advisory Committee
    - Provide meeting minutes for two Agriculture Advisory Committee meetings.

Checking all the required criteria as being met qualifies the LEA for Part A funding. Verification of meeting each criteria must be provided to the Regional Supervisor.

Qualified Program (\$4,500 to each site)	<u>\$ 4,500</u>
Number of Agriculture Teachers teaching at least one approved agriculture course?	
Teacher based funding (Number of teachers x \$500)	<u>\$</u>

Number of Students as identified on the 2022-23 FFA Membership roster?

Student based funding (Number of students x \$10)	<u>\$</u>
Class size funding A (number of teachers meeting level A in all classes – 30 in classroom/25 in shop classes)	
Class size A funding (Number of teachers meeting level A class size x \$1,000)	<u>\$</u>
Class size funding B (number of teachers meeting level B in all classes – 28 in classroom/22 in shop classes)	
Class size B funding (Number of teachers meeting level B class size x \$2,000)	\$
TOTAL PART A FUNDING	<u>\$</u>

#### **PART B** – Additional Funding

LEA's may qualify for additional funding based on their ability to meet specific classroom, leadership, and experiential learning (SAE) criteria. It is not necessary for a program to meet all criteria in each category to be eligible to receive additional funding. Verification of meeting criteria will be taken from entries in the Agricultural Experience Tracker (AET). The AET report will be developed based on data as of June 30. Funding in each section will be based on the number of points accumulated in that section. This report will be used to complete Part B and will be included as part of the application.

Based on the 2022-23 Agricultural Education Incentive Grant Report, and points accumulated, the LEA may qualify for base level funding through the classroom section, leadership section, and experiential learning (SAE) section.

An LEA shall qualify for Part B funding in each section if they meet the predetermined base level. Bonus funding is earned if a program exceeds the predetermined base level by twenty percent (20%). LEA's meeting the base level shall receive \$2,250 plus \$250 per qualified teacher. LEA's meeting the bonus level shall receive an additional \$2,250 plus an additional \$250 per qualified teacher.

Note: An LEA may qualify for Level A, Level B, or no funding in each section but shall not qualify for both funding levels in a section. Example: The LEA qualifies for Level A funding in the Classroom Section, Level B in the Leadership Section and no funding in the SAE section.

<u>Classroom Section</u> Level A Funding Points – 355-535	Level B Funding Points – 536+
Points Earned as Identified in the AET Report	
Level A Funding (number of teachers x \$250) + \$2,250	<u>\$</u>
Level B Funding (number of teachers x \$500) + \$4,500	<u>\$</u>
TOTAL CLASSROOM SECTION FUNDING	<u>\$</u>

<u>Leadership Section</u> Level A Funding Points – 285-445	Level B Funding Points – 446+
Points Earned as Identified in the AET Report	
Level A Funding (number of teachers x \$250) + \$2,250	<u>\$</u>
Level B Funding (number of teachers x \$500) + \$4,500	<u>\$</u>
TOTAL LEADERSHIP SECTION FUNDING	<u>\$</u>
Experiential Learning (SAE) Section Level A Funding Points – 595-935	Level B Funding Points – 936+
Points Earned as Identified in the AET Report	
Level A Funding (number of teachers x \$250) + \$2,250	<u>\$</u>
Level B Funding (number of teachers x \$500) + \$4,500	<u>\$</u>
TOTAL EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (SAE) SECTION FUN	NDING <u>\$</u>
TOTAL PART B FUNDING	\$

#### PART C – Program Funding

LEA's may qualify for additional funding based on their ability to meet specific program criteria. To qualify for Program Funding, a program must show evidence of meeting all criteria identified. Evidence must be submitted at the time the original application is submitted to the Region Supervisor.

To qualify for PART C – Program Funding, a site must show evidence of meeting the following. If any item is not met, the program is not eligible to apply for PART C funding.

- Each teacher (50% of their teaching load in agriculture) must have participated in eight approved professional development activities.
- \_\_\_\_ Agenda and Minutes for three Agriculture Education Advisory Committee meetings.
- Each teacher (50% of their teaching load in agriculture) must have an extended contract and/or a project supervision period. The project supervision period must be in addition to the provided prep period.

If a program has met the three required criteria they are eligible for funding and must complete the following Sections.

Section A – Earn one point for each criteria met.

Held an FFA Officer team retreat or other planning activity prior to the start of school and continued to hold meetings during the year to plan FFA activities.

In addition to the Agricultural Education Advisory Commit has an Agriculture Boosters Club and/or an FFA Alumni C		
Program hosted a Student Teacher.		
Total Points Section A (3 points possible)		
Section B – Earn points based on AET "California Ag CTE Application Report	E Incentive Grant	
Points Earned as Identified in the AET Report for D-Progr	am	
Total Points Part C (Section A + Section B)		
evel A Funding Points – 120-139 Level B Funding Points – 140+		
Level A Funding (\$5,000)	<u>\$</u>	
Level B Funding (\$7,500)	<u>\$</u>	
TOTAL PART C FUNDING		<u>\$</u>
PART A Base Level Funding	<u>\$</u>	
PART B Additional Funding	<u>\$</u>	
PART C Program Funding	\$	
GRAND TOTAL FUNDING	<u>\$</u>	