

2017 IAITC Volunteer of the Year Award

As the end of the 2016-2017 program year draws to a close, many of you are planning the county's MAPS reports to submit to IFB for award recognition. Please consider submitting a nomination for the 2017 AITC Volunteer of the Year Award (Formerly the "Apple for the Teacher Award").

Nominations for the award are due to Ag in the Classroom by 4:00 on Friday, September 22, 2017. The "Volunteer" award is presented to County **volunteer members who have done an outstanding job with Agriculture in the Classroom and ag literacy efforts.** This award is not for paid AITC Coordinators, or paid Ag Literacy Coordinators

Your nomination form should detail the volunteer's contributions including:

- brief introduction of your nominee
- activities and/or programs he/she carried out
- age group of audience targeted
- number of students reached by his/her efforts
- the program/activity's message to the audience
- number of years the nominee has been active with AITC efforts

All nominations will be judged on outstanding leadership and commitment in teaching school children about the importance of agriculture to all people. The award will be presented to a person(s) at the IAA Annual Meeting in December. Since this award program began in 1983, 87 individuals have been recognized for their contributions to the ag literacy effort. Why not add one from your county this year?

New this year, please enclose three photos of the nominee (preferable a head shot) with the nomination form.

Please remember the nomination letters are due September 22, 2017. If you have any questions, please call 309-557-3334.

cc: IAITC Program Council

**2017 Illinois Agriculture in the
Classroom Volunteer of the Year Award
Nomination Form
Due September 22, 2017**

Volunteer Name: _____

County: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone _____

Name of Nominator: _____

Email: _____

Description of Volunteer Activities (please attach extra sheets as needed)

Description of Number of Students/Community Impacted through AITC Efforts

Describe length of AITC Involvement and Farm Bureau Volunteer Work

Extra letter of support may be attached. Please limit complete nomination package to this sheet and no more than 4 additional pages. Please submit only paper support materials.

**Mail to:
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