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Bloomington—The Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom program and the IAA Foundation along with the Illinois Farm Bureau® have released the names of the 2017-2018 Teacher Grant Winners.

(Teacher Name), of (Teacher School) in (Teacher City) has been awarded a grant for the project: (Project Title).

The mission of the Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom program is to bring accurate and authentic agricultural information to the student in grades PreK-12 across Illinois. “Each year our teacher grant program is very competitive, and our judging panel is amazed at the unique programs teachers use to infuse agriculture into their curriculum. Additionally, our book grant winners are ready to jump into units of study highlighting agriculture.” said Kevin Daugherty, Education Director, Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom.

Susan Moore, Director of the IAA Foundation added, “Supporting these unique teacher grants is a meaningful way for the IAA Foundation to fulfill our mission to support education and the future of agriculture. We take great pride in providing free and expanding resources for our Illinois teachers.”

Each year the Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom (IAITC) program reaches more than 60% of all attendance centers in the state of Illinois. Partner organizations of Illinois AITC include Illinois Farm Bureau, Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education (FCAE), University of Illinois Extension, Illinois Beef Association, Illinois Corn Growers, Illinois Pork Producers, Illinois Soybean Association, Midwest Dairy Association, Illinois Department of Agriculture and the Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. In addition, annual donors include agribusiness partners and event participants with an interest in supporting the future of agriculture. For information on how individuals can contribute, visit [www.iaafoundation.org](http://www.iaafoundation.org). For information on Illinois AITC, visit [www.agintheclassroom.org](http://www.agintheclassroom.org).