

Alachua County Farm Bureau
2012 Agri-Science Award
Student Application

Student Name: _____ GRADE _____

Social Security # (Required Confidential): _____

Parents Names/Legal Guardian: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Teacher _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

In the space provided, explain how your project relates to agri-science. (How can your project improve agriculture?)

What agriculture agencies or resources have you used to enhance your project? (You may attach your bibliography.)

ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR SCIENCE PROJECT'S ABSTRACT TO THIS FORM.

Memo

To: Alachua County Science Teachers

From: Wayne Oelfke, Alachua County Farm Bureau Agri-Science Award Committee

Re: Regional Science Fair Agri-Science Awards

It is our pleasure to announce once again that the Alachua County Farm Bureau is continuing its support of students by sponsoring its Regional Agri-Science Awards.

We hope that you will share the attached criterion and applications, which may be copied freely. Any project that has a connection to any area of Agri-science qualifies for judging. We urge you to consider the very broad scope of Agri-science areas – please do not limit your thinking to the traditional plant and sunlight type projects – so that these awards are available to the greatest number of students possible. By viewing projects in this manner, it allows students to recognize that agriculture is diverse and a blend of many different systems. It offers many insights into fascinating and excellent career opportunities.

Every student entered in the Alachua Regional Science Fair who wishes to be considered for the Alachua County Farm Bureau Agri-Science Award, should complete the application form completely, including an attachment of his or her research abstract, and submit to Wayne Oelfke at the Alachua County Farm Bureau, 14435 NW US Hwy 441, Alachua, FL 32615. Or you may fax the application and attachment to the attention of: Gwen Hazouri – fax no. (386) 462-7948 or email to the following address: gwen.hazouri@ffbic.com. The completed applications must be received by Thursday, January 26, 2012. Awards will be presented the evening of the awards ceremony at the Regional Science Fair. Up to \$500.00 may be awarded to those participants whose projects are deemed outstanding and related to agri-science. We appreciate the level of support and participation through the past years.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Farm Bureau office at (386) 418-4008. It is our hope that in the future years we can increase our level of support for such programs and we depend upon your cooperation to offer such endowments to your students.

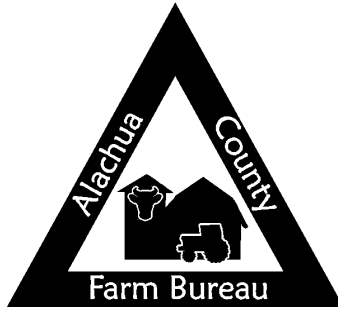
Sincerely,

Wayne Oelfke

Wayne Oelfke, ACFB Vice-President

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ALACHUA COUNTY FARM BUREAU



AGRI-SCIENCE AWARD

MISSION STATEMENT:

It is the intent and purpose of the Alachua County Farm Bureau to recognize students who are studying the application of scientific principles and emerging technologies in an agriculture-related enterprise.

The program will provide awards and recognition to students who are involved in a project that will enhance the field of agriculture and agri-science. It is also designed to educate parents, school officials, and the public about career opportunities and placements available for students interested in agri-science.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

All participants in the Alachua County Regional Science and Engineering Fair are eligible to apply for this recognition.

RECOGNITION:

Up to \$500.00 may be awarded to those participants whose projects are deemed outstanding and related to agri-science.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

Judging will be completed by a panel of judges designated by the Alachua County Farm Bureau and are based upon:

- 1) Completion of application
- 2) Relevance to agri-science.
- 3) Scientific merit based upon criteria set by the ACRS&EF.

AGRI-SCIENCE PROJECT CATEGORIES:

Agri-science can fit into any of the categories already identified by the Regional Science Fair. These same categories will be used to identify your project for the Agri-science Award. Again, projects will not be judged outstanding in each category, but, which projects from ALL categories that are outstanding.