

Dear Classroom Teachers,

The Mission of Ag in the Classroom is to teach third grade students the importance of Agriculture. Students develop an understanding of the impact of Agriculture in their every-day lives.

- ◆ **Your School will be assigned to one of the three different tours that will have a balance of plant and animal science.**
- ◆ **Students will participate in hands-on learning activities in five different stations between 10:20 a.m. and 12:20 p.m.**
- ◆ **Students need to bring a packed lunch. Your school will have an assigned area to place their students' lunches when they arrive at the fairgrounds.**
- ◆ **Let us know, in advance, of any special needs students or any students with food allergies.**



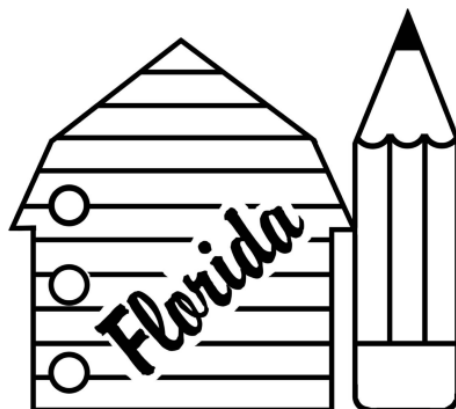
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Ag in the Classroom

Proudly Presents

**HILLSBOROUGH
COUNTY**

AG-VENTURE



**FLORIDA STATE
FAIRGROUNDS**

Fall 2017:

Oct. 24th - Oct. 27th

Oct. 30th - Nov. 3rd

Spring 2018:

April 24th - April 27th

May 1st - May 4th

May 8th - May 11th

**This is a Special Invitation
for 3rd Grade Students to
join us for a 1-Day**

AG-VENTURE

**A Chance to Touch, Taste,
and See Florida
Agriculture in a fun-filled
atmosphere.**

**Dates: Oct. 24–27, 2017
Oct. 30–Nov. 3, 2017
April 24–April 27, 2018
May 1–May 4, 2018
May 8–May 11, 2018**

Time: 10:20 am - 12:20 pm

Place: Florida State Fairgrounds

Cost of Field Trip

\$4.00 per Student

**\$4.00 per Chaperone/Parent
Teachers are FREE**

**Payable to Hillsborough County
Ag-Venture, Inc. upon arrival
A 501(c)3 Corporation**

**This program is sponsored by:
Hillsborough County Farm Bureau
Florida State Fair Authority
4-H/Hillsborough County Extension
and
Florida's Agriculture Commodity
Organizations**

To Join Us.....

PLEASE NOTE NEW REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

On-Line Registration ONLY.

All registrations need to be completed on-line at www.ag-venture.org from August 15th - August 17th, 2017.

- ◆ The registration process must be completed in its entirety. Any information left out will void your registration. This information is needed for Federal Affirmative Action Report.
- ◆ Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. A limited number of tours are available.
- ◆ You will be notified of receipt of your registration as soon as we receive your registration.
- ◆ Once confirmation date has been assigned, you will receive detailed information on arrival times, directions, etc. If your school has NOT received this information at least one week prior to scheduled field trip, please have the Assistant Principal contact the Florida State Fair at Karen.Murdaugh@FloridaStateFair.com
- ◆ All teachers will receive worksheets and activities on Florida Agriculture and commodities.
- ◆ **FULL PAYMENT WILL BE DUE UPON ARRIVAL.**
- ◆ ALL Chaperones/Parents need a school volunteer ID badge to enter the facility with the students.

AG-VENTURE

Ag-Venture is a “hands-on” learning experience designed to teach 3rd graders about the importance of agriculture and to help them develop an understanding and appreciation of where their food comes from.

As the students arrive, they are divided into groups and given a bright colored “cowboy” hat or bandana. The hats and bandanas not only keep track of the different groups (each group has a different color hat) but the youngsters love them and they set the stage for an “AG” day!



The Student Tours will consist of visiting 5 stations representing different aspects of agriculture and participate in a variety of hands-on activities.

Students may have the opportunity to visit one of our stations featuring animal agriculture such as Horses, Beef, or Dairy - and learn about the products we use from these animals.

Other stations feature the plant aspects of agriculture learning about plant germination, plants we eat, and more about our local crops like citrus and strawberries.



There are always a variety of other stations teaching students about agriculture here in Hillsborough County - from Bees to Phosphate to Fiber - there is always something to touch, taste or feel.



**PLEASE NOTE:
STATIONS VARY FROM
YEAR TO YEAR**