

# Colorado State University



## Ag Adventure 2018



On September 26, 2018, Ag Adventure will kick off its seventeenth annual event. Students from the Colorado State University's College of Agricultural sciences will host 72 classrooms of third grade students. The two-day event is held at the CSU Agricultural Research, Development, and Education Center (ARDEC).

### **Objective**

The objective of Ag Adventure is to empower students at Colorado State University to educate elementary students about the impact of agriculture in their daily lives and create a relationship between agriculture and their elementary curriculum.

### **Structure**

Ag Adventure provides students a chance to engage in hands on activities. The CSU student committee has developed 6 learning stations, each covering a different aspect of the agricultural industry. So, all the elementary students can experience every activity available, the event is tightly coordinated so that each classroom spends about 20 minutes engaged at each learning station.



### **Personnel**

A significant number of people are necessary to provide support in all areas of planning and delivering an event of this magnitude. Three distinct groups play vital roles in making Ag Adventure a success.



### **Leadership Team**

A core team of 9 students and 2 faculty advisors provide the planning of the central event including the coordination of curriculum development, contact with elementary classrooms, arranging facilities, fundraising, publicity, and many other unseen but important activities.

## **Student Organizations**

The development and delivery of the content for each of the learning centers are delegated as the responsibility of selected organizations within the College of Agriculture. Each organization is required to collect supplies, animals, and other items needed for their learning station.



## **Volunteers**

Student volunteers facilitate learning by delivering the curriculum. They are hands on with the elementary students and are learning what the students are grasping. The volunteers are key in informing the leadership committee what needs to be improved.

## **Benefits of Ag Adventure**

Third Grade Students learn how agriculture affects their daily lives and see their curriculum applied in tangible ways.

Third Grade Teachers are aided in teaching elementary student's curricula and are provided additional materials that are useful in the classroom.

CSU Students build lifelong skills and gain marketable experience from planning, coordinating, and delivering all aspects of this event.

The Agricultural Community gains by exposing more of the general public to the realities of agricultural production.



## **More Information**

Watch our video for a glimpse into Ag Adventure. To view go to:

**<https://vimeo.com/186339680>**

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