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48th DAA Schools' Agriculture and Nutrition Program Summer/Fair 2022 www.agfair.org

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Mission

To increase the understanding, appreciation and participation of urban teachers and students in agriculture and nutrition through cooperative involvements of the California agricultural industry, educational institutions and community partners.

2022 Schools' Agriculture and Nutrition Fair



Theme: Hands on **Agriculture**

(Theme courtesy of CA Ag in the Classroom)

The Schools' Ag and Nutrition Fair was held in conjunction with the 17-day L.A. County Fair, May

5-30 in Building 10. Our building was a Community Open House for all the schools who participated. Over 30 schools and 50 teachers created a wonderful display from their students!

The Fair field trips were limited to two days. We welcomed over 1,000 students who experienced viewing their entries and ribbons on display. The days were complete with the Science Show and Robot demonstrations presented by Discovering Science, Milking Parlor display by Dairy Council of CA, and Petting Zoo in the Big Red Barn.

Community Partners: California Avian Health Education Network (CAHEN), Homestead Museum, Metropolitan Water District, and UC Cooperative Extension had hands-on activities, as well, for the students. The Farm shared bunnies for the students to pet and ask questions.

Historical Crate Labels were displayed, provided by Citrus Roots Foundation from University of La Verne.

Fair guests enjoyed viewing "In the Footprint in the City," a DVD documentary about the farming past, present, and future of modern Los Angeles.

The film was produced, written, directed and edited by Daniel P. Tripoli.

We look forward to many new interested teachers to participate in the future.

Thank you again to all the teachers and their students who helped create our Schools' Ag and Nutrition Fair!

You made a difference!

Elevated News: Advocacy and Resources for the Dairy Community



Month and World

a time to celebrate the important role dairy foods play in nourishing people and supporting healthy communities. Dairy Month is also a great way to kickoff summer meal programs with nutrientdense dairy foods. As June is now wrapped up and summer is in full swing, we wanted to share some activities and successes on behalf of the California dairy industry the Dairy Council of California team has been busy with over the last month.

Staff-led June is Dairy Month and Summer Meal celebrations in California schools and communities:

Partners

State of California, **Department** of Food & Agriculture, Division of Fairs & **Expositions Fairplex Weinberg Foundation UC** Cooperative **Extension, LA** County 4-H Mt. San Antonio College, **Agricultural Science Agricultural Awareness** & Literacy **Foundation Dairy Council of** CA, Mobile Dairy Classroom Pomona Feed **Los Angeles County** Farm Bureau

- Through the Let's Eat Healthy initiative,
 Dairy Council of CA sponsored LA's
 BEST Afterschool Enrichment Program to
 purchase milk for an Ag in the Classroom
 Taste & Teach lesson and Ice Cream in
 the Bag activity. Mobile Dairy Classroom
 videos were shown to support the
 activities.
- Let's Eat Healthy sponsorship for Lodi Unified School District helped support community awareness of the summer meal program. An educational booth engaged families showcasing the contribution that dairy agriculture makes in California and how dairy products support healthy eating choices and impact health.
- Summer Meal kick off events at Hesperia and Rialto Unified School Districts, provided an opportunity for children and families to make delicious dairy-packed smoothies with a smoothie bike.
- A partnership with San Luis Coastal
 Unified School District Nutrition Services
 Department brought Dairy Agriculture
 and Nutrition Literacy to students during
 their summer culinary arts class as part
 of the district's summer enrichment
 experience. This included co-creating
 a short video to engage families and
 highlight the benefits of pairings foods
 with dairy for increased nutritional
 benefits. You can watch the video here.
- A media segment with Audacy
 Broadcasting aired across several major
 radio stations in the greater Sacramento
 area, promoting June is Dairy Month
 and the important role of dairy foods
 in summer meal programs. This media
 engagement also shared the important
 work Dairy Council of CA is doing on
 behalf of the California dairy community
 to elevate the health children, families
 and communities. You can listen to the
 interview here.
- Dairy Council of CA presented at the I22nd California Creamery Operators annual conference in South Lake Tahoe,

leading an important dialogue on how together we can advance dairy's role in healthy, sustainable food systems.

Dairy Council of CA is proud to support the California dairy community through ongoing education, collaboration and action, elevating the role of milk and dairy foods in sustainable eating patterns that contribute to healthier children, families and communities. If you have questions, concerns or feedback you would like to share, please let me know. (Courtesy of Tammy Anderson-Wise, CEO, Dairy Council of CA)

Contact the 48th DAA office for lessons and materials 909-865-4633 or **daa48th@aol.com**.

Citrus Roots Foundation



The citrus gold rush lasted well over a half century and generated an amount far exceeding the sum of the 49ers. Up until the

late 1930s the California citrus industry reigned as the state's second largest industry (following the oil industry).

The legacies of the citrus dollars built distinctive communities above the norm. The confirmation of this statement regarding the high architectural designs is proof from the churches, schools and public buildings built during the citrus gold rush. In addition the growers developed and built a comprehensive water system and the rights were established. The aforementioned legacies benefit all future generations.

The mission of Citrus Roots Foundation is to keep Citrus Heritage alive in the minds of those living in California through publications, education and artistic work.

Visit **https://citrusroots.com** for extensive historical photos and information. (Courtesy of Citrus Roots Foundation)

Fair 2022

Below: Corn husk dolls, 1st Place, Baldy View Elementary; Shoebox Diorama, 1st Place, Monterey Highland.

Right, top to bottom: Booth 1st Place, Vandermolen Elementary; Seed Art entries, I and 2nd Place; School Garden posters, I and 2nd Place.















Below, top to bottom: Sawhorse entry, 1st Place, Glazier Elementary; Scarecrow, 1st Place; Crate Label display courtesy of Citrus Roots Foundation.







Join SCAN!

The Southern California Agriculture and Nutrition Foundation (SCAN) is a 501(c)3 public charity that has provided support to the State of California's 48th **District Agricultural Association for over** 30 years. Contact the 48th DAA if you are interested in serving on the SCAN board of directors.

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Agriculture in the Classroom Conference!



September 22-24, 2022 Ventura Beach Marriott

Two years in the

making — you don't want to miss this! Join Ag in the Classroom in person in beautiful Ventura on September 22–24.

Experience hands-on learning, farm field trips, and collaborating with other educators who share a passion for bringing agriculture into the classroom.

Registration and Program information at https://learnaboutag.org/programs/conference.

CA Native Garden Foundation — Educational Garden Design Grants

The California Native Garden Foundation (CNGF) offers native garden design grants to schools, colleges, museums, and other public spaces and non-profit organizations across California. Through the School Garden Design Grant Program, CNGF offers grants for gardens that feature California native plants, including edible plants, ornamental horticulture or both.

Visit http://middlebrookcenter.com/elsee/cngf-2/design-grants for information and to apply.

This is a good time to start preparing your CA Native Garden for the 2023

Schools' Ag and Nutrition Fair's School Garden competition. (Courtesy of CA Foundation for Ag in the Classroom)

Urban farming

Past, present & future of modern Los Angeles DVD Series

Metro Farming Film Project was the video production entity created to produce the documentaries *Sweat Equity* and *In The Footprint of the City*. The film explores the social, economic, and historical significance of urban agriculture, or metro farming, upon the landscape and people of the greater metropolitan Los Angeles region.

The films were produced over a 10-year span from 1994–2005. Sweat Equity was released in 2000 followed by In The Footprint Of The City in 2005.

Sweat Equity is an hour-long documentary that documents the community garden history and movement in Los Angeles from the 1970s until the re-building and healing efforts following the 1992 civil unrest in the city due to the aftermath of the Rodney King trial.

In The Footprint Of The City is a threepart, three-hour series that investigates the past, present, and future of urban farming within the greater metropolitan Los Angeles region.

Both films are available for sale on DVD on a limited basis. View the trailers for both films at https://www.dptripoli.com/metro-farming-film-project-I.

If interested in purchasing the DVD's, contact Producer Daniel P. Tripoli directly via email **dptripoli@gmail.com**. (Courtesy of Daniel P. Tripoli)

48th DAA was pleased to display the film "In the Footprint of the City," during the 2022 Schools' Agriculture and Nutrition Fair.





Did You Know?

The following are **Common Core Lesson Plans** available at the 48th DAA (Materials courtesy of CA Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom)

Fruits & Vegetables for Health Grades 4–6 Science, Math, Reading/Language, History/Social Science, Health/Nutrition

"Steer" Toward STEM, Careers in Animal Agriculture Grades 3–5 Science, Math, Reading/Language, Health/Nutrition

Chemistry, Fertilizer and the Environment Grades 8–12 Science, Math, Reading/Language

California Educator's Guide to Fun with the Plant Nutrient Team Grades K-3

Next Generation Science, Science, Math, English/ Language, History/Social Science, Health/Nutrition

Edible Plant Parts Grades 2-3

Next Generation Science, Science, Math, English/ Language, History/Social Science, Health/Nutrition, Visual/Performing Arts

From "STEM" to Plate: Careers in Food Science Grades 6-8

Next Generation Science, Science, Math, English/ Language, Health/Nutrition, Visual/Performing Arts

Too Much? Too Little? Grades 5-8

Next Generation Science, Science, Math, English/ Language, History/Social Science, Health/Nutrition, Visual/Performing Arts

What do Plants Need to Grow?

Grades 2–4 Science, Math, Reading/Language, Health/Nutrition

Stem Connections, Energy and Agriculture: Careers in Sustainable Energy, Grades 9–12

Next Generation Science Standards

California Walnuts: A Walnut Orchard Through the Seasons, Grades 2–3

English Language Arts

*History of CA Agriculture Grades 6-12

https://ca.stateaghistory.org

Food Safety: From Farm to Fork Grades 5-7

Science, Mathematics, English Language Arts, Health/

Alien Invader Detectives Grades 3–5 Next Generation Science

Bon à la Beef Grades 3-12

Next Generation Science, English Language Arts and Math

California Almonds: An Almond Story Grades 3–5 Next Generation Science

California Walnuts: The Importance of Grafting Grades 4–5 English Language Arts

From Genes to Jeans II Grades 6-12

Next Generation Science, Science, Math, English Language Arts

Prolific Pollinators: Grades 3-8

Come into the office or call us at **909-865-4633**. Lessons are free of charge; equipment, books, DVD's and videos can be borrowed.

The 48th also has Cotton's Journey Kits; Bread making kits; Trout in the Classroom supplies, and incubators to hatch chicks. Visit **www.agfair.org** for additional available lessons and materials.

The materials furnished by the 48th DAA are **free of charge** to teachers, in exchange for participation by teacher/students in the annual Schools' Agriculture and Nutrition Fair. Submit a minimum of one entry for each of the materials (projects) checked out from the 48th DAA office.

The 48th DAA is open year round and works with teachers from Pre K to 12th Grade. Teachers and parents – we look forward to meeting you!

The office is open Monday to Thursday; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed 12 to 1 p.m. for lunch). Friday, please call ahead at **909-865-4633**.

*New Lesson Plans