

TOP 5 REASONS TO TEACH AG IN MINNESOTA!

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1. GRANTS, CURRICULUM & RESOURCES*

The Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council (MAELC) offers grants to support professional development, curriculum, and classroom resources for agriculture programs. Agriculture teachers also have free access to MyCAERT, an online curriculum library.

2. SUMMER CONTRACT FUNDING

Through legislative funding, the Minnesota Department of Education offers school districts a matching grant to support 50% of an agriculture teacher's summer extended contract (up to 40 days).

3. LOAN FORGIVENESS

Agriculture teachers qualify for two state loan forgiveness programs, with the potential to receive up to \$4,000/year for 5 years. Starting salaries for agriculture teachers are often higher than other content areas. 2015-2016 median salary for 1st year agriculture teacher - \$41,000







4. TEACHER INDUCTION PROGRAM*

The Minnesota Teacher Induction Program (TIP) serves as a professional learning community for new agriculture teachers, supporting their development, efficacy, success & retention.



5. THE PEOPLE!

Minnesota has amazing organizations, individuals & agriculture teachers. We can't wait to welcome you to the family!



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Established in 1997 by the Minnesota Legislature, MAELC is comprised of seventeen educators, legislators, government officials, and agribusiness and community organization representatives. The Council represents all of the major institutions and groups in Minnesota with an interest in agricultural education and serves as a focal point for initiatives to improve agricultural education in the state.