

**Minnesota Association of Agricultural Educators
2025 MAAE Ag Tech Conference**

January 17-18, 2025

Best Western Kelly Inn, St. Cloud, Minnesota

Thursday, January 16, 2025- PRE-CONFERENCE

5pm-8pm AgriScience Inquiry Institute
5pm-8pm Curriculum Work Session
4pm-8pm PEP (FBM- Professional Excellence Program)

Friday, January 17, 2025- PRE-CONFERENCE

8am - 4pm PEP (FBM- Professional Excellence Program)
8am - 3pm AgriScience Inquiry Institute
8am - 3pm Curriculum Work Session

CONFERENCE

12:30 - 3:30 p.m. MAAE Winter Board Meeting- *Sunwood Center*
3:30 - 6:45 p.m. Registration- Congress/State
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. FAST Symposium (Future Agriscience Teacher)
2:00 - 6:00 p.m. Post Secondary Summit
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. SAE Committee Meeting
4:00 - 6:30 p.m. TIP (Teacher Induction Program) Seminar
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. CDE Committee Meeting
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. MAAE State Fair Committee Meeting
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. **Pizza Buffet (*Pre registration required- No Additional Cost*)**
6:00 - 7:00 pm **1st Workshop Session-**
FBM- Bingo your Way to Better Understanding of Commodity Marketing (5:45-7:15pm)
HS/PS- 1 Hour Sessions:
Escape Rooms (HS/PS)
Child Labor Laws related to Agriculture (HS)
Ag Communications CDE Crash Course (HS)
Ag Technology Improving the Future (HS)
HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:
How the USDA- Natural Resource Conservation Service Can be utilized in your Classroom (HS/PS)
Drones in the Ag Ed Classroom (HS)
7:15 - 8:15 p.m. **2nd Workshop Session-**
FBM- FBM Updates (7:30-9:00)
PS- PIM (Post-secondary Instructor Mentoring)
HS- 1 Hour Sessions:
AFNR Work Based Learning 101 (HS)
Unlock the Power of Crop Scouting (HS)
Automating Agriculture: Curriculum, PD, and materials funded by the National Science Foundation (HS)
HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:
Continue- How the USDA- Natural Resource Conservation Service Can be utilized in your Classroom (HS/PS)
Continue- Drones in the Ag Ed Classroom (HS)
8:15 - 8:30 p.m. Break- *Poolside*
8:30 - 10:30 p.m./End **KNOWLEDGE BOWL-** High School, Post-Secondary and FBM
Visit Exhibitors/Ideas Unlimited Materials- *Poolside*

Saturday, January 18, 2025

7:00 - 9:15 a.m. Registration Continues- *Sunwood Foyer*

7:00 - 9:00 a.m. Sunrise Buffet- buffet serving from 7:00 - 7:30am-
Sunwood/State/Congress/Senate - Program to Follow (Following the meal)

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. 3rd Workshop Session

FBM- *Ranken/FINBIN*

HS/PS- 1 Hour Sessions:

Engaging the Different Personalities in the Ag Classroom (HS/PS)

Advocating for AFNR Education and Preparing for Days at the Capitol (HS/PS)

Milk Quality CDE- How to Train a Team (HS)

AGciting Activities for Animal Science and Companion Animal Science (HS)

Planning for National FFA Convention (HS)

HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:

Horse, Livestock, and Dairy Judging Oral Reasons- How to get Closer to a 50! (HS)

Ag Machinery Workshop (HS)

Savvy Social Science Research: Mentoring Student Researchers in the Social Science

Pathway (HS)

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break- *Poolside*

10:45 - 11:45 a.m. 4th Workshop Session

FBM- *Introduction to Basic Crop Insurance*

HS/PS- 1 Hour Sessions:

Leveraging LinkedIn to Build Community (HS/PS)

Automating Agriculture: Curriculum, PD, and Materials funded by the National Science Foundation (HS)

Growing Lasting Solutions to Hunger (HS)

HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:

Continue- Horse, Livestock, and Dairy Judging Oral Reasons- How to get Closer to a 50! (HS)

Continue- Ag Machinery Workshop (HS)

Continue- Savvy Social Science Research: Mentoring Student Researchers in the Social Science Pathway (HS)

2 Hour Session Options- That Split the Lunch Hour (10:45-11:45 and 1:45-2:45pm):

****This is a two part workshop that starts before lunch and the second part is after lunch****

Unlocking Strengths: Empowering Educators and Students to Thrive Together (HS/PS)

Map it Out: Strategic Curriculum Planning for Impact (HS/PS)

Starting and Utilizing an FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter (HS)

11:45 - 1:30 p.m. Luncheon and Program- *Sunwood/State/Congress/Senate*

1:45 - 2:45 p.m. 5th Workshop Session

FBM- *Livestock Enterprising- Nutrien Ag Solutions*

HS/PS- 1 Hour Sessions:

Empowering Educators: Innovative AFNR Resources to Empower Minnesota Teachers in Agriculture Education (HS/PS)

Animal Vet Science

HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:

National Chapter Award 101 (HS)

Hands on Floral Design- (\$20 Fee) (HS)

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Continue: Unlocking Strengths: Empowering Educators and Students to Thrive

Together (HS/PS)

Continue: Map it Out: Strategic Curriculum Planning for Impact (HS/PS)

Continue: Starting and Utilizing an FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter (HS)

2:45 - 3:00 p.m.

Break- Poolside

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

6th Workshop Session

FBM- Finpack Help 101

HS/PS- 1 Hour Sessions:

Making SAE for All work for your whole program (HS/PS)

Proficiency Evaluation (HS)

M Squared: Gaming in the Classroom (HS)

HS/PS- 2 Hour Sessions:

Continue- National Chapter Award 101 (HS)

Continue- Hands on Floral Design- (\$20 Fee) (HS)

AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

January 2025	Region 1
January 2026	Region 8
January 2027	Region 6
January 2028	Region 3

MAAE SUMMER CONFERENCE

July 2025	Region 3
July 2026	Region 5
July 2027	Region 4
July 2028	Region 2

Facility Maps



Sunrise Suite 146 — first floor — hallway north of pool — east end
Sunrise Suite 246 — second floor
Sunrise Suite 346 — third floor

