

100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# Uniform Application for State Grant Assistance

	Agency Completed Section						
1.	Type of Submission	<ul> <li>Preapplication</li> <li>Application</li> <li>Changed/Corrected Application</li> </ul>					
2.	Type of Application	<ul> <li>X New</li> <li>Continuation (i.e. multiple year grant)</li> <li>Revision (modification to initial application)</li> </ul>					
3.	Date/Time Received by State Completed by State Agency upon Receipt of Application						
4.	Name of the Awarding State Agency	Illinois State Board of Education					
5.	Catalog of State Financial Assistance (CSFA) Number	586-18-0876					
6.	CSFA Title	Agriculture Education - Growing Agricultural Science Teachers (GAST)					
Catalo	og of Federal Domestic Assistance (	CFDA) X Not applicable (No federal funding)					
7.	CFDA Number						
8.	CFDA Title						
9.	CFDA Number						
10.	CFDA Title						
Fundi	ng Opportunity Information						
11.	Funding Opportunity Number	2020-3235-01					
12.	Funding Opportunity Title	Growing Agricultural Science Teachers (GAST)					
13.	Funding Opportunity Program Field	3235					
Comp	etition Identification	X Not Applicable					
14.	Competition Identification Number						
15.	Competition Identification Title						

	Uniform Application for State Grant Assistance Illinois State Board of Education						
		Applicant Com	pleted Section				
APPLI	CANT NAME (District Name and Number, if		REGION COUNTY DISTRICT TYPE CODE				
16.	Legal Name (Name used for DUNS registration and grantee prequalification)						
17.	Common Name (DBA)						
18.	Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN, TIN)						
19.	Organizational DUNS Number						
20.	SAM CAGE Code						
21.	Business Address (Street, City, State, County, Zip Code + 4)						
Applie	cant's Organizational Unit						
22.	Department Name						
23.	Division Name						
Applie	cant's Name and Contact Information	n for Person to be Co	ntacted for Program Matters involving this Application				
24.	First/Last Name						
25.	Suffix						
26.	Title						
27.	Organizational Affiliation						
28.	Telephone Number (Include Area Code)						
29.	Fax Number (Include Area Code)						
30.	E-Mail Address						
	cant's Name and Contact Information pplication	n for Person to be Co	ntacted for Business/Administrative Office Matters involving				
31.	First/Last Name						
32.	Suffix						
33.	Title						
34.	Organizational Affiliation						
35.	Telephone Number (Include Area Code)						
36.	Fax Number (Include Area Code)						
37.	E-Mail Address						

ISBE 20-06 GATA Grant Application (1/19)

	Uniform Application for State Grant Assistance Illinois State Board of Education					
	Aţ	oplicant Completed Section (Continued)				
Areas	Affected					
40.	Areas Affected by the Project (cities, counties, state-wide) Add Attachments (e.g., maps), if needed					
41.	Legislative and Congressional Districts of Applicant					
42.	Legislative and Congressional Districts of Program / Project Attach an additional list, if needed					
Applic	cant's Project					
43.	Description Title of Applicant's Project Text only for the title of the applicant's project.					
44.	Proposed Project Term	Start Date:				
45.	Estimated Funding	Amount Requested from the State: \$				
	(Include all that apply)	Applicant Contribution (e.g., in kind, matching): \$				
		Local Contribution: \$				
		Other Source of Contribution: \$				
		Program Income: \$				
		Total Amount: \$				
By si are tr any r to cri (*) The Op	rue, complete and accurate to the best esulting terms if I accept an award. I a minal, civil or administrative penalties.	e statements contained in the list of certifications* and (2) that the statements herein of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances* and agree to comply with am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001) an internet site where you may obtain this list is contained in the Notice of Funding				
Autho	rized Representative					
46.	First/Last					
47.	Suffix					
48.	Title					
49.	Telephone Number (Include Area Code)					
50.	Fax Number (Include Area Code)					
51.	E-Mail Address					
53.	Signature of Authorized Representative					
54.	Date Signed					

ISBE 20-06 GATA Grant Application (1/19)



CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROPOSAL ABSTRACT**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME

**INSTRUCTIONS**: Provide response to information in Proposal Abstract portion of Content and Form of Application Submission section. *Responses limited to this page.* 



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

## **PROGRAM NARRATIVE**



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

APPLICANT NAME (Fiscal Agent) - LEA OR ENTITY NAME

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE



Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **PROPOSAL EVALUATION DESIGN**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME



Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **PROPOSAL EVALUATION DESIGN**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME



Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **PROPOSAL EVALUATION DESIGN**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME



Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **PROPOSAL EVALUATION DESIGN**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME



Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **PROPOSAL EVALUATION DESIGN**

LEA NAME (for joint proposal)	REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME

Initial Budget       Amendment No         Revised Initial Budget       Multi-district Application         FISCAL 20       SOURCE OF FUNDS 3235-01       REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE (mm/dd/yyyy)       SUBMISSION DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)	ent 15 001	PROGRAM APPRO	Notice of State Award Jniform Grant Agreem DVAL DATE AND INIT	ent (UGA)
DISTRICT NAME AND NUMBER  FY 2020  Grant Name: GROWING AGRICULATURAL SC	CIENCE TEACHERS	TOTAL FUNDS		
CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include Area Code)		CARRYOVER FUN	IDS CURRE	NT FUNDS
E-MAIL ADDRESS FAX NUMBER (Include Area Code) STATE BUDGET SUMMARY AND PAYME Use whole dollars only. Omit Dollar Signs, Commas, and		BEGIN DATE	BEGIN DATE END DATE	
m     FUNCTION     EAPENDITURE     SALARIES     BENEFITS     SERVICES     MATERIALS     OU       2     NUMBER (1)     (1)     (2)     (0bj. 100s)     (4)     (5)     (6)     (0bj. 400s)     (0bj. 400s)	APITAL         OTHER           JUTLAY         OBJECTS           (7)         (8)           bj. 500s)         (Obj. 600s)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9) (Obj. 700s)	TOTAL (11)	PAYMENT SCHEDULE
1 1000 Instruction				
2 2110 Attendance & Social Work Services				July-August
3 2120 Guidance Services				
4 2130 Health Services				September
5 2140 Psychological Services				
6 2150 Speech Pathology & Audiology Services				October
7 2210 Improvement of Instruction Services				
8 2220 Educational Media Services				November
9 2230 Assessment & Testing				
10         2300         General Administration				December
11     2400     School Administration				
12     2510     Direction of Business Support Services				January
13 2520 Fiscal Services				
14     2530     Facilities Acquisition and Construction				February
15     2540     Operation & Maintenance of Plant Services				
16     2550     Pupil Transportation Services				March
17         2560         Food Services				
18     2570     Internal Services				April
19     2610     Direction of Central Support Services       20     2020     Direction of Central Support Services				
20     2620     Planning, Research, Development & Evaluation Services				May
21     2630     Information Services       22     2640     2540				
22     2640     Staff Services       23     2660     Data Dragoning Services				June
23         2660         Data Processing Services         Image: Comparison of the service o				
				July-August
25         3000         Community Services				TOTAL
26     3700     Nonpublic School Pupil Services       27     4000     Payments to Other Districts or Government Units				s TOTAL
				\$
28         5000         Debt Services         Image: Control of the service				
30     INDIRECT COSTS (Direct Cost X%) *				

\* Contact the GATA Department for indirect cost restrictions.

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE

#### FY 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY BREAKDOWN

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION NUMBER	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION AND ITEMIZATION	SALARIES (3)	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (4)	PURCHASES SERVICES (5)	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS (6)	CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)	OTHER OBJECTS (8)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9)	TOTAL
(1)	(2)	(Obj. 100s)	(Obj. 200s)	(Obj. 300s)	(Obj. 400s)	(Obj. 500s)	(Obj. 600s)	(Obj. 700s)	(11)
	TOTAL								

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE

#### FY 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY BREAKDOWN

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION NUMBER	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION AND ITEMIZATION	SALARIES (3)	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (4)	PURCHASES SERVICES (5)	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS (6)	CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)	OTHER OBJECTS (8)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9)	TOTAL
(1)	(2)	(Obj. 100s)	(Obj. 200s)	(Obj. 300s)	(Obj. 400s)	(Obj. 500s)	(Obj. 600s)	(Obj. 700s)	(11)
	TOTAL								

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE

#### FY 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY BREAKDOWN

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION NUMBER	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION AND ITEMIZATION	SALARIES (3)	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (4)	PURCHASES SERVICES (5)	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS (6)	CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)	OTHER OBJECTS (8)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9)	TOTAL
(1)	(2)	(Obj. 100s)	(Obj. 200s)	(Obj. 300s)	(Obj. 400s)	(Obj. 500s)	(Obj. 600s)	(Obj. 700s)	(11)
	TOTAL								

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE

#### FY 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY BREAKDOWN

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION NUMBER	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION AND ITEMIZATION	SALARIES (3)	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (4)	PURCHASES SERVICES (5)	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS (6)	CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)	OTHER OBJECTS (8)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9)	TOTAL
(1)	(2)	(Obj. 100s)	(Obj. 200s)	(Obj. 300s)	(Obj. 400s)	(Obj. 500s)	(Obj. 600s)	(Obj. 700s)	(11)
	TOTAL								

REGION, COUNTY, DISTRICT, TYPE CODE

#### FY 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY BREAKDOWN

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION NUMBER	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTION AND ITEMIZATION	SALARIES (3)	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (4)	PURCHASES SERVICES (5)	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS (6)	CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)	OTHER OBJECTS (8)	NON-CAPITALIZED EQUIPMENT (9)	TOTAL
(1)	(2)	(Obj. 100s)	(Obj. 200s)	(Obj. 300s)	(Obj. 400s)	(Obj. 500s)	(Obj. 600s)	(Obj. 700s)	(11)
	TOTAL								



CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

# **PROGRAM-SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE GRANT**

By checking this box, the applicant hereby certifies that he or she has read, understood and will comply with the assurances listed below, as applicable to the program for which funding is requested.

- 1. Subcontracting: No subcontracts or sub-grants are allowed without prior written approval of the State Superintendent of Education. If subcontracts or sub-grants are allowed, then all project responsibilities are to be retained by the grantee to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant. All subcontracts and sub-grants must be documented and must have the prior written approval of the State Superintendent of Education. Approval of subcontracts and sub-grants shall be subject to the same criteria as are applied to the original proposal/application. The following information is required if any subcontracts/sub-grants are to be utilized:
  - Name(s) and address(es) of subcontractor(s)/sub-grantee(s);
  - Need and purpose for each subcontract/sub-grant;
  - Measurable and time specific services to be provided;
  - Associated costs (i.e., amounts to be paid under each subcontract/sub-grant); and
  - Projected number of participants to be served.

The grantee may not assign, convey or transfer its rights to the grant award without the prior written consent of the Illinois State Board of Education.

2. Reporting: Periodic financial (expenditure) reporting should be completed at a minimum of quarterly via the FRIS system. Programmatic (GATA) reporting should be completed at a minimum of quarterly via the IWAS system. Reporting requirements are listed below.

Expenditure Reporting: Fiscal information must be reported quarterly relative to project expenditures and in accordance with the State and Federal Grant Administration Policy, Fiscal Requirements and Procedures handbook. GATA reporting is required quarterly through the IWAS system.

Additional reporting requirements:

- One mid-year progress report (see Deliverables and Milestones pages 7-8)
- Final end-of-year progress report (see Deliverables and Milestones pages 7-8)
- 3. Evaluation: To ensure goals of the program are met and to evaluate program impact on recruitment and retention of agricultural educators, it is important to establish specific performance measures or indicators. Reliable and valid data collection and reporting pertaining to program goals in recruitment and retention of agricultural educators will be a necessary component. It is expected funding will be used to implement new or expand current recruitment and retention initiatives and efforts and increase access of underrepresented individuals to agricultural education. In addition, funding will be used to provide for field-based experiences of pre-service teaching students and professional development for agricultural education faculty and staff. To evaluate the program, proposals must provide evidence of:

a. Proposed recruitment and retention strategies appear likely to promote increased awareness of agricultural education as a potential career among students from varied backgrounds and communities.

b. Proposed recruitment and retention strategies appear likely to create enhanced incentives for individual students to enter and persist in teacher preparation programs in agricultural education.

c. Proposed recruitment and retention strategies appear likely to help eliminate barriers that may otherwise prevent individuals from completing preparation programs in this field

d. Proposed expenditures for the services of master teachers and practitioners as support for student teaching will enhance candidates' understanding of agricultural education as a profession and broaden their awareness of the varied facets of agriculture and agriculturally-based careers.

- e. Plans for delivery of professional development for new teachers provide evidence that the training is designed in response to the expressed needs of individuals who are in their first five years of teaching in the field of agricultural education and the districts or cooperatives where they are employed.
- f. Planned expenditures for professional development for a university's agricultural education staff are demonstrably related to the needs of those individuals.
- g. The proposal represents a cost-effective use of State resources, as evidenced by the amounts requested for the proposed activities in relation to the numbers of students or teachers to be served and the services to be provided.
- h. Number of students enrolled in the agricultural education program for educator preparation: Demographic data on individual students {disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, educational attainment, identification as transfer student and institution of origin as appropriate, and geographic region of secondary school where diploma was obtained
- i. Number of students who participate in each recruitment activity funded by the grant, as appropriate: i.Demographic data on individual students (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, English proficiency status, socioeconomic status, and special education status) in addition to identification regarding enrollment in agricultural education courses and availability of agricultural education program in the home district of the student.
- j. Number of novice teachers (in first five years of teaching) participating in needs assessment activities for each professional development activity/training:

i.Demographic data on individual teachers (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, years of service in agricultural education, licensure type, educational attainment, and geographic location).

k. Number of educator preparation program students participating in each field experience program funded t through the grant.

i. Demographic data on individual students (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, educational attainment, and geographic region of secondary school where diploma was obtained);

ii.Identification of the agricultural education concepts and career pathways relevant to the experience.

I. Number of agricultural education staff participating in needs assessment activities related to professional development activity/training:

i.Demographic data on individual staff members (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex, and educational attainment);

ii.Identification of the courses taught and relevant activities conducted by the staff members.

4. Funds received under this program must be used to supplement, and not supplant, funds that would otherwise be used for authorized activities.

Name of Applicant

Original Signature of Applicant



CTE & Innovation Department 100 North First Street, C-215 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001 FY 2020 GROWING AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS (GAST)

### **GRANT APPLICATION CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES**

#### APPLICANT'S NAME:

The applicant/award recipient (hereinafter the term applicant includes award recipient as the context requires), hereby certifies and assures the Illinois State Board of Education that:

Partnership

1. Applicant is a(n): (Check one)

Individual

Corporation

Unincorporated association

Government entity

Region/County/District/School Code or Federal Employer Identification Number, as applicable. Individuals or other entities with neither of the foregoing, include Social Security Number.

The applicant has the necessary legal authority to apply for and to receive the proposed award. The filing of this application has been authorized by the governing body of the applicant, and the undersigned representative has been duly authorized to file this application for and on behalf of said applicant, and otherwise to act as the authorized representative of the applicant in connection with this application and any award in relation thereto.

#### DEFINITIONS

"Applicant" means an individual, entity or entities for which grant funds may be available and has made application to the Illinois State Board of Education for an award of such grant funds.

"Grant" means the award of funds, which are to be expended in accordance with the Grant Agreement for a particular project. The terms "grant," "award," "program," and "project" may be used interchangeably.

"Grantee" means the person, entity or entities that are to receive or have received grant funds through an award from the Illinois State Board of Education. The terms "grantee" and "award recipient" may be used interchangeably.

"Project" means the activities to be performed for which grant funds are being sought by the applicant. The terms "project" and "program" may be used interchangeably.

The capitalized word "Term" means the period of time from the project beginning date through the project ending date.

#### LAWS AND REGULATIONS REGARDING FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

The applicant acknowledges and agrees that this grant is subject to the provisions of:

2 CFR Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards <a href="http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200\_main\_02.tpl">http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200\_main\_02.tpl</a>

Illinois Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA), 30 ILCS 708/1 *et seq.* <u>http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=3559&ChapterID=7</u>

Administrative Rules for GATA, 44 III. Admin. Code Part 7000 ftp://www.ilga.gov/JCAR/AdminCode/044/04407000sections.html

#### NO BINDING OBLIGATION

- 2. The applicant acknowledges and agrees that the selection of its proposal for funding, or approval to fund an application shall not be deemed to be a binding obligation of the Illinois State Board of Education until such time as a final Grant Agreement is entered into between the applicant and the Illinois State Board of Education. Prior to the execution of a final Grant Agreement, the Illinois State Board of Education may withdraw its award of funding to the applicant at any time, for any reason.
- 3. Payment under this grant is subject to passage of a sufficient appropriation by the Illinois General Assembly or sufficient appropriation by the U.S. Congress for federal programs. Obligations of the Illinois State Board of Education will cease immediately without further obligation should the agency fail to receive sufficient state, federal, or other funds for this program.

#### PROJECT

- 4. The project proposed in the application, and as negotiated and finalized by the parties in the Grant Agreement, is hereinafter referred to as the "project." In planning the project there has been, and in establishing and carrying out the project there will be (to the extent applicable to the project), participation of persons broadly representative of the cultural and educational resources of the area to be served, including persons representative of the interests of potential beneficiaries.
- 5. Applicants may be asked to clarify certain aspects of their proposals/applications or proposed amendments prior to final agreement on the terms of the project or amendment.
- 6. All funds provided shall be used solely for the purposes stated in the approved proposal/application, as finalized in the Grant Agreement.
- 7. The project will be administered by or under the supervision of the applicant and in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable to the grant. The applicant will be responsible for and obtain all necessary permits, licenses, or consent forms as may be required to implement the project.

#### **GENERAL CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES**

- 8. The applicant will obey all applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and executive orders, including without limitation: those regarding the confidentiality of student records, such as the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232g) and the Illinois School Student Records Act (ISSRA) (105 ILCS 10/1 et seq.); those prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap, such as Title IX of the Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) and 34 CFR part 106, the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq.), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 34 CFR part 104, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. 621 et seq.), the Age Discrimination Act (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) and 34 CFR part 110, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) 200e et seq.) and 34 CFR part 100, the Public Works Employment Discrimination Act (775 ILCS 5/1-1 et seq.), and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.); and the Illinois School Code (105 ILCS 5/1-1 et seq.). Further, no award recipient shall deny access to the program funded under the grant to students who lack documentation of their immigration status or legal presence in the United States (Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202, 102 S.Ct. 2382 (1982)).
- 9. The applicant certifies it has informed the State Superintendent of Education in writing if any employee of the applicant/grantee was formerly employed by the Illinois State Board of Education and has received an early retirement incentive under 40 ILCS 5/14-108.3 or 40 ILCS 5/16-133.3 (Illinois Pension Code). The applicant acknowledges and agrees that if such early retirement incentive was received, the Grant Agreement is not valid unless the official executing the agreement has made the appropriate filing with the Auditor General prior to execution.
- 10. The applicant shall notify the State Superintendent of Education if the applicant solicits or intends to solicit for employment any of the Illinois State Board of Education's employees during any part of the application process or during the Term of the Grant Agreement.
- 11. The applicant is not barred from entering into this contract by Sections 33E-3 and 33E-4 of the Criminal Code of 1961 (720 ILCS 5/33E-3, 33E-4). Sections 33E-3 and 33E-4 prohibit the receipt of a state contract by a contractor who has been convicted of bid-rigging or bid-rotating.
- 12. If the applicant is an individual, the applicant is not in default on an educational loan as provided in 5 ILCS 385/3.
- 13. The applicant certifies it does not pay dues or fees on behalf of its employees or agents or subsidize or otherwise reimburse them for payment of their dues or fees to any club which unlawfully discriminates (775 ILCS 25/1).
- 14. The applicant certifies that it is (a) current as to the filing and payment of any applicable federal, state and/or local taxes; and (b) not delinquent in its payment of moneys owed to any federal, state, or local unit of government.
- 15. Any applicant not subject to Section 10-21.9 of the School Code certifies that a fingerprint-based criminal history records check through the Illinois State Police and a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database will be performed for all its employees, b) volunteers, and c) all employees of persons or firms holding contracts with the applicant/grantee, who have direct contact with children receiving services under the grant; and such applicant shall not a) employ individuals, b) allow individuals to volunteer, or c) enter into a contract with a person or firm who employs individuals, who will have direct contact with children receiving services under the grant who have been convicted of any offense identified in subsection (c) of Section 10-21.9 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/10-21.9(c)) or have been found to be the perpetrator of sexual or physical abuse of any minor under 18 years of age pursuant to proceedings under Article II of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 (705 ILCS 405/2-1 et seq.).

- 16. The applicant hereby assures that when purchasing core instructional print materials published after July 19, 2006, the applicant/ grantee will ensure that all such purchases are made from publishers who comply with the requirements of 105 ILCS 5/28-21 which instructs the publisher to send (at no additional cost) to the National Instructional Materials Access Center (NIMAC) electronic files containing the contents of the print instructional materials using the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard (NIMAS), on or before delivery of the print instructional materials. This does not preclude a grantee school district from purchasing or obtaining accessible materials directly from the publisher.
- 17. The applicant certifies that notwithstanding any other provision of the application, proposal, or Grant Agreement, grant funds shall not be used and will not be used to provide religious instruction, conduct worship services, or engage in any form of proselytization.

#### JOINT APPLICATIONS - ADMINISTRATIVE AND/OR FISCAL AGENT

- 18. Applicants/grantees participating in a joint application hereby certify that they are individually and jointly responsible to the Illinois State Board of Education and to the administrative and fiscal agent under the grant. An applicant/grantee that is a party to the joint application and is a legal entity, or a Regional Office of Education may serve as the administrative and/or fiscal agent under the grant.
- 19. The entity acting as the fiscal agent certifies that it is responsible to the applicant/grantee or, in the case of a joint application, to each applicant/grantee that is a party to the application; it is the agent designated and responsible for reports and for receiving and administering funds; and it will:
  - (a) Obtain fully executed Grant Application Certifications and Assurances forms from each entity or individual participating in the grant and return the forms to ISBE prior to award of the grant;
  - (b) Maintain separate accounts and ledgers for the project;
  - (c) Provide a proper accounting of all revenue from the Illinois State Board of Education for the project;
  - (d) Properly post all expenditures made on behalf of the project;
  - (e) Be responsible for the accountability, documentation and cash management of the project, the approval and payment of all expenses, obligations, and contracts and hiring of personnel on behalf of the project in accordance with the Grant Agreement;
  - (f) Disburse all funds to joint applicants/grantees based on information (payment schedules) from joint applicants/grantees showing anticipated cash needs in each month of operation (The composite payment schedule submitted to ISBE should reflect monthly cash needs for the fiscal agent and the joint applicants/ grantees.);
  - (g) Require joint applicants/grantees to report expenditures to the fiscal agent based on actual expenditures/obligation data and documentation. Reports submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education should reflect actual expenditure/obligations for the fiscal agent and the data obtained from the joint applicants/grantees on actual expenditures/obligations that occur within project beginning and ending dates;
  - (h) Be accountable for interest income earned on excess cash on hand by all parties to the grant and return applicable interest earned on advances to the Illinois State Board of Education;
  - (i) Make financial records available to outside auditors and Illinois State Board of Education personnel, as requested by the Illinois State Board of Education;
  - (j) Have a recovery process in place with all joint applicants/grantees for collection of any funds to be returned to the Illinois State Board of Education; and

#### DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION

20. This certification is required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act (30 ILCS 580/1). The Drug-Free Workplace Act, effective January 1, 1992, requires that no grantee or contractor shall receive a grant or be considered for the purposes of being awarded a contract for the procurement of any property or services from the State unless that grantee or contractor has certified to the State that the grantee or contractor will provide a drug-free workplace. False certification or violation of the certification may result in sanctions including, but not limited to, suspension of contract or grant payments, termination of the contract or grant, and debarment of contracting or grant opportunities with the State of Illinois for at least one (1) year but not more than five (5) years.

For the purpose of this certification, "applicant," "grantee," or "contractor" means a corporation, partnership, or other entity with twenty-five (25) or more employees at the time of issuing the grant, or a department, division, or other unit thereof, directly responsible for the specific performance under a contract or grant of \$5,000 or more from the State.

The applicant certifies and agrees that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement:
  - (1) Notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance, including cannabis, is prohibited in the grantee's or contractor's workplace
  - (2) Specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
  - (3) Notifying the employee that, as a condition of employment on such contract or grant, the employee will
    - (A) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
    - (B) Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) calendar days after such conviction.
- (b) Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
  - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
  - (2) The grantee's or contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
  - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
  - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon an employee for drug violations.
- (c) Providing a copy of the statement required by subsection (a) to each employee engaged in the performance of the contract or grant and posting the statement in a prominent place in the workplace.
- (d) Notifying the contracting or granting agency within ten (10) calendar days after receiving notice under part (B) of paragraph (3) of subsection (a) above from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction.
- (e) Imposing a sanction on, or requiring the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program by, any employee who is so convicted, as required by section 5 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
- (f) Assisting employees in selecting a course of action in the event drug counseling, treatment, and rehabilitation are required and indicating that a trained referral team is in place.
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
- 21. The applicant represents and warrants that all of the certifications and assurances set forth herein, in the application, all attachments, and the Grant Agreement are and shall remain true and correct through the Term of the grant. During the Term of the grant, the award recipient shall provide the Illinois State Board of Education with notice of any change in circumstances affecting the certifications and assurances within ten (10) calendar days of the change. Failure to maintain all certifications and assurances or provide the required notice will result in the Illinois State Board of Education withholding future project funding until the award recipient provides documentation evidencing that the award recipient has returned to compliance with this provision, as determined by the Illinois State Board of Education.

The undersigned affirms, under penalties of perjury, that he or she is authorized to execute the above Certifications and Assurances on behalf of the applicant. Further, the undersigned certifies under oath that all information contained herein is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge, information and belief, that grant funds shall be used only for the purposes described in this agreement, and that the award of this grant is conditioned upon this certification.

Original Signature of Authorized Official

Title

Date

Name of Authorized Official (Type or Print)