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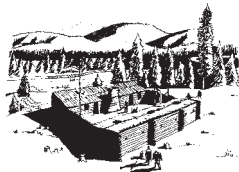
This newsletter is sponsored by Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation and the CHS Foundation to help students and teachers understand the important role of agriculture in Oregon and the United States. For more information contact Agriculture in the Classroom (AIRC) at (541) 737-8629 or visit our website at <http://AIRC.oregonstate.edu>.



Get Oregonized for Your Students!



Oregon AIRC is very proud to announce the revised edition of *Get Oregonized*, a 4th grade history book and teacher's guide focusing on Oregon's people, natural resources, and agriculture.



This history book is a must-have for all Oregon 4th grade students.



It is an invaluable resource for teaching about Oregon's first people, the Lewis and Clark Expedition,

pioneers, statehood, geography, economy, and industry. As Oregonians we are proud to live in a state that boasts beautiful landscapes, a diverse economy, valuable natural resources, and a rich history. Help your students to become informed and devoted



citizens who care about their great state by utilizing the *Get Oregonized* history book in your classroom.



Order Information

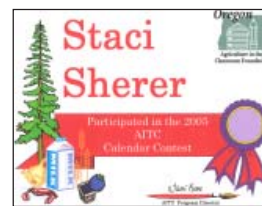
Single copies \$20 plus S & H
Boxes of ten \$18 each plus S & H
Teacher's Guide \$25 each
Free Teacher's Guide with classroom set of books

Contact AIRC to review the *Get Oregonized* 4th Grade History Book

Deadline for Calendar Contest

Submissions is May 31

Did you know that Oregon grows more than 220 different commodities? Celebrate the diversity of Oregon agriculture with your students. Invite them to create art about Oregon agriculture and participate in our K-6 contest. **Every student will receive a**



personalized certificate. 13 submissions will be chosen and featured in the 2005-2006 AIRC calendar and on our website. Selected artists will each be awarded a \$50 savings bond

and their teachers will receive the AIRC curriculum book. 40 honorable mentions will also be recognized. Download contest rules from our website or call us.

Congratulations Essay Contest Winners!



Ashley Mund grade 12
Teacher: Dan McNary, Monument High School

Krista Stengal grade 11
Teacher: Stephanie Schofield, Enterprise High School

Mary Swearingen grade 10
Teacher: Randa Young, McNary High School

AIRC congratulates all those who participated in the high school essay contest. Thanks to each of you for your time and submissions. Students and their teachers received awards and the top three essays were published in the Capital Press on Friday March 25. Essays can be read online at www.capitalpress.com.





What's New With AITC...

Canby FFA Receives the 2005 Oregon Youth Awareness Award



The Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation presented the **Canby FFA** this award for their outstanding efforts in the area of agricultural literacy. The chapter members worked as a team over the past year to create a mobile classroom called the ABC (Agriculture Biotechnology Classroom) Trailer. This traveling exhibit features agricultural themed displays designed to help elementary students better understand the importance of agriculture in their lives. Canby FFA reached thousands of students throughout the year. As the top chapter, Canby FFA received a \$100 cash prize to continue development and expansion of their agricultural literacy programs. The top three chapters included **Canby**, **Perrydale**, and **Bend FFA**. Each chapter received the new AITC curriculum book, banners, and certificates. Congratulations to all three outstanding chapters!



Earth Day Celebration at the Oregon Garden - April 16

Join AITC at the Oregon Garden for exciting, hands-on fun Saturday, April 16, from 10 am to 4 pm. This year's event, co-sponsored by Marion County Public Works - Environmental Services and the SPROut Program, will feature the theme of "sustainable living". Over 4,000 visitors and environmental supporters will enjoy exhibits and activities focusing on sustainable practices for the average home. There is no admission cost for this event.



Celebrate Earth Day 2005 in Your Own Classroom

Check out our website to find great ideas and resources to help your class celebrate Earth Day 2005. Look for the Conservation and Natural Resources heading on the free loan library page of the Teacher Resource section. There you will find a wealth of books and videos such as *Caretakers All* or *Cycling Back to Nature; Soils Alive!* For activities try planting marigolds in pots or plant a class tree outdoors.



Join Us at Ag Fest, April 23 and 24, at the Oregon State Fairgrounds

The goal of Ag Fest is to provide a look at agriculture in fun and educational ways. The benefits to the public include a family-oriented, kids-come-first educational festival. Over 20,000 people attend Ag Fest each year to touch, taste, and experience the incredible world of Oregon agriculture in a fun-filled, festive environment. Visit the AITC Teacher Resource Area to view many materials available through our free loan library. AITC will offer educational hands-on activities for the kids too.



Attend Summer Ag Institute 2005 - Earn 3 Grad Credits

Summer Agriculture Institute (SAI) is a project coordinated through the Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation. A three credit graduate course is offered through Oregon State University with your choice of two sessions. Session #1, June 19-24, will be held in Corvallis and session #2, July 10-15, in La Grande. Experience agriculture first-hand with tours of processing plants, farms, nurseries, and various businesses. University professors and agriculture professionals teach hand-on labs and lectures. The highlight of the week is an overnight stay on a working farm or ranch. Find the SAI link on the Teacher Workshop page of our website, <http://AITC.oregonstate.edu>.

Featured Resources for Teachers

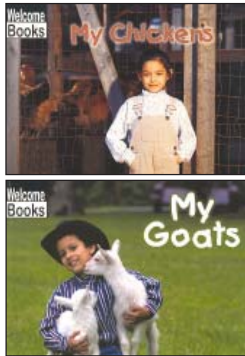


Contact AITC for more information or to reserve the following materials; cathy.mcclaughry@oregonstate.edu, (541) 737-1318, or order online. View more of our free loan resource library at <http://AITC.oregonstate.edu>.

To learn how these and other materials meet Oregon Benchmark Standards, visit our website.

Welcome Books

Grades K-2 (storybooks)



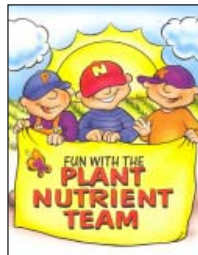
These simple, but fun to read books are designed to teach children the basics of animal care on the farm. Each book introduces a very special animal and the young person who cares for it. Chickens, pigs, horses, sheep, goats - we have them all! The books feature a "new words" section and reference guides.

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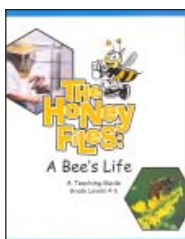
Fun with the Plant Nutrient Team

Grades K-3 (activity book)

Join Nitrogen, Potassium, and Phosphorus as they help farmers produce healthy plants! Students learn all about what the soil needs in order to provide us with healthy foods. The book features all black-line pages for easy copying of word puzzles, experiments, mazes, and word scrambles.



Order online from www.ppi-far.org or Free loan from Oregon AITC. <http://AITC.oregonstate.edu>



The Honey Files

Grades K-6 (video and teacher's guide)

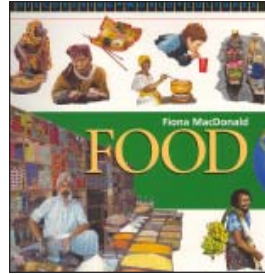
Students will learn about honey bee anatomy, life stages, metamorphosis, pollination, and bee identification. Why do we need honey bees? Why and how do they sting? How do honey

bees communicate? How do they build hives? Also learn about the history and uses of honey around the world. Tongue mapping helps students to learn where the sweet taste of honey is sensed. The teacher's guide features all black-line pages for easy copying of activities. Free loan from Oregon AITC.

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FOOD - Discovering World Cultures

Grades 5-12 (book)



Food is essential for life. We need to eat to stay alive but food is also an important part of how we celebrate our culture. Learn why different foods are popular in different parts of the world due to climate, cooking methods,

and religious practices. This very informative book features beautiful photos and illustrations and easy to read and understand text. FOOD is a fantastic supplement to the world studies, nutrition, or social studies program. Free loan from Oregon AITC.
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Scenes of Science

Grades 6-12 (DVD)



Learn how the Agricultural Research Service is working to ensure a safe and high quality food supply, assess the nutritional needs of Americans, sustain a competitive agricultural economy, enhance the natural resource base and the environment, and provide economic opportunities for communities. Topics include; Foods and Health, Crops and Environment, Farm Animals, New Products, and Insects. Yours to keep from Oregon AITC.



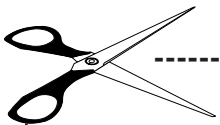
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is a free, bimonthly E-zine for secondary educators and their students. Each issue features current events, classroom resources, activities,

and grant opportunities that enhance standards based science, applied technology, and social studies curriculum. Subscribe today! Link to the National AITC website on our homepage, <http://AITC.oregonstate.edu>.



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