

EARLY AG TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Who: 1st–5th-year teachers who are teaching courses that fall into the Ag, Food, and Natural Resources cluster to the recommended grade levels as defined by the Texas Education Agency, **specifically those who teach Agricultural Mechanics and Floral Design.** This year's program will focus entirely on content related to agricultural mechanics and floral design, so please keep this in mind and consider how it applies to your role before applying.

What: A three-day professional development opportunity that immerses floral design and agricultural mechanics teachers in hands-on classroom/laboratory instruction focused on areas addressed in an agriscience classroom (i.e., instruction, SAEs, and FFA). This opportunity incorporates presentations by agricultural experts who specialize in education, agricultural mechanics, and floral design. It also includes site visits for a truly hands-on experience.

Educators must choose the track, Agricultural Mechanics or Floral Design, in which they wish to participate. While there will be sessions where the entire group learns together, many activities will be divided based on the courses the educators teach.

Educators will also learn from Texas Ag in the Classroom staff.

Educators will receive information about classroom resources and other giveaways!

Cost: None

Lodging: Hotel will be provided for the nights of May 31 and June 1

When & Where: May 31 – June 2 in Waco, Texas

Registration and Deadline: Register by May 4. Applications will be reviewed and granted admission on a rolling basis until all 40 seats per track are filled (80 total). We will maintain a waiting list and contact those applicants if/when seats become available.

Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/mF540hvVDA>

Contact Information: If you have any questions, please call or email the Education team at **254.751.2258** or **edoutreach@txfb.org**.

