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MEMORANDUM

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TO: North Carolina Agricultural Education Teachers
FROM: Joshua Bledsoe, State Agricultural Education Leader
RE: North Carolina Tobacco Trust Fund Commission Grant Application

We are excited to release the North Carolina Agricultural Education Program Improvement Grant application today. As you know, this project will provide at least 32 grants valued up to \$5000 each to improve and enhance local agricultural education programs and FFA chapters all across North Carolina. These grants will fund innovative, sustainable and relevant projects to assist the local agricultural education program in meeting the current needs of the agricultural industry.

The project is funded by the North Carolina Tobacco Trust Fund Commission.

The application is attached and contains all the necessary information and instructions for completion. Please note that the entire application is due to the Agricultural Education/FFA State Office by 5:00 pm on Monday, April 2, 2012. Grant recipients will be announced by May 31, 2012.

We sincerely appreciate the support of the North Carolina Tobacco Trust Fund Commission and look forward to the positive outcomes this grant program will have to help strengthen agricultural education and fulfill our mission of student success.

cc: William Upchurch, NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission Executive Director
Jeff Jennings, NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission Program Officer