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To: All New Agricultural Education Teachers

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RE: Agricultural Education 40-Hour New Teacher Induction (DELTA) 2026-2027

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This information is for all Agricultural Education Teachers with 0-5 years of experience.

The 2026-2027 Developing Educational Leaders and Teachers of Agriculture (DELTA) program meets the DPI requirement for initial CTE restricted license teachers. Teachers holding residency, temporary, or those who are adding agricultural education to an existing teaching license are highly encouraged to attend this beneficial training. This conference will also benefit newly certified teachers. Please see the schedule information listed below. Teachers **must complete all seven DELTA components** to meet the requirement of the 40-Hour New Teacher Induction Program. The DELTA program is coordinated by the North Carolina Agricultural Education State Staff at North Carolina State University. A certificate of completion for the 40-Hour New Teacher Induction will be provided upon completion of all seven components.

Agricultural Education DELTA Components

- **Regional Fall In-Service Meetings (2 hours)**
Teachers should attend their respective Agricultural Education Regional Fall In-Service Meeting during the month of September. The schedule is available online at: <http://ncffa.org/news-events/events/>
- **Regional Coordinator Visit (1 hour)**
Each teacher will be visited by their respective regional agricultural education coordinator at their school. This visit will provide individualized coaching and instruction for each teacher.
- **Agricultural Education Fall DELTA (14 hours)**
Teachers should attend Fall DELTA October 9-10, 2026, at the North Carolina FFA Center in White Lake. Lodging is included for the evening of October 8.
- **Agricultural Education Spring DELTA (14 hours)**
Teachers should attend Spring DELTA February 26-27, 2027, at the North Carolina FFA Center in White Lake. Lodging is included for the evening of February 25.
- **Regional Spring In-Service Meetings (2 hours)**
Teachers should attend their respective Agricultural Education Regional Spring In-Service Meeting during the month of March. The schedule is available online at: <http://ncffa.org/news-events/events/>
- **State FFA Convention Experience (4 hours)**
Teachers should attend the opening day of the North Carolina FFA State Convention, June 15, 2027. Additional information will be shared in spring 2027.
- **New and Beginning Agriculture Teacher Workshop (3 hours)**
Teachers should attend this workshop held during the annual CTE Summer Conference in July.

Fall DELTA and Spring DELTA Registration Information

Registration for the Fall DELTA and Spring DELTA conducted at the North Carolina FFA Center is available online at: <https://forms.gle/xqtdmvABmTR1bpZe7>

Pre-registration is **required** and should be completed **at least one week prior** to each session. Fall DELTA registration is due by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 2, 2026. Spring DELTA registration is due by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 19, 2027. There will be no on-site registration.

An invoice for the selected session(s) and registration fee(s) will be sent to the address provided during registration **after** each DELTA session.

Fall DELTA Registration Options

- **\$250** – includes lodging (Thursday and Friday nights), meals, and conference materials
- **\$200**– includes meals and conference materials

Spring DELTA Registration Options

- **\$250** – includes lodging (Thursday and Friday nights), meals, and conference materials
- **\$200** – includes meals and conference materials

Lodging

Participants will be staying in the lodge at the North Carolina FFA Center and should plan to bring sheets, pillows, blankets (each room has one single and one double bed), towels, and toiletries (including soap and shampoo).

The physical [address](#) of the North Carolina FFA Center is: 1247 NC-53, Elizabethtown, NC 28337.

Questions

For questions or more information about the conference, please contact Joshua Bledsoe at: jbbledso@ncsu.edu. For questions about billing, please contact Cassie Reclosado at: ctreclos@ncsu.edu.