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**CHS FOUNDATION INCREASES TO 50 SCHOLARSHIPS TO HELP TEACHERS  
ATTEND NATIONAL AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM CONFERENCE**

The National Agriculture in the Classroom Organization (NAITCO) is pleased to announce that CHS Foundation has increased its support of the organization's pre-kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade agricultural literacy efforts in 2020.

The CHS Foundation has increased the number of scholarships they offer to 50 to help cover part of teachers' cost to attend the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference. In addition to teacher scholarships and classroom grants, the CHS Foundation provides grant funds for Agriculture in the Classroom (AIC) state programs called 'CHS Foundation Educating Next Agriculture Leaders Grant' to help these states develop innovative educational resources and programs to educate students about the importance of agriculture.

"The partnership with the CHS Foundation helps NAITCO and its AIC state programs support Pre-K-12 teachers across the country in their agricultural literacy classroom efforts," said Will Fett, president of NAITCO and executive director of Iowa Foundation for Agriculture Literacy (IALF). "Without the CHS Foundation's support, we wouldn't be nearly as effective in educating students about the importance of agriculture."

"The CHS Foundation is committed to developing ag leaders for lifelong success," said Nanci Lilja, CHS Foundation president. "The projects supported through teacher scholarships, classroom grants and AIC state program grants help introduce agriculture concepts to students beginning at a young age, so they can explore and experience all agriculture has to offer."

Fifty teachers, up from 40, will receive CHS Foundation Scholarships to attend the 2020 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference 'Agriculture Elevated' scheduled for June 24-26 at the Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City, UT. The scholarship covers early registration of \$435 for each teacher selected to receive one.

NAITCO is a non-profit organization made up of Agriculture in the Classroom programs in 50 states including the District of Columbia and several territories. Its mission is to educate teachers and students in kindergarten through 12th grade about the importance of agriculture by incorporating agricultural concepts into classroom instruction. To learn more about NAITCO, please visit [www.agclassroom.org](http://www.agclassroom.org).

The CHS Foundation, funded by charitable gifts from CHS Inc., is focused on developing a new generation of agriculture leaders for life-long success. Together, with its partners, it is igniting innovation and driving excellence in agriculture education, cultivating high-impact programs for rural youth and accelerating potential for careers in agriculture. Learn more by visiting [www.chsfoundation.org](http://www.chsfoundation.org).

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