

Southern Region Agricultural Education

Weekly Update

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I. Current AgEd News & Updates

1. **Speech Results:** Southern Region FFA Speech results can be found at the following link:

<http://www.srffa.org/ffa/recognition/2017-2018/speech/region18.htm>

2. **Current Openings in the Southern Region:**

- **Hemet High School:** The Hemet High School Agriculture Department is seeking replacement Agriculture Science Teacher. We have a year round active 2+ acre school farm with various SAE's from market animals to vegetable/crop production. We are looking for someone who is passionate about opening opportunities to students in all areas of Agriculture and leadership. Possible courses to be taught are Agriculture Mechanics (building and expanding), Ag Chemistry, Agriculture Biology, Veterinary Science, Advanced Sustainable Agriculture. Course flexibility would depend on the candidate's strengths. The ideal candidate should be willing to share FFA responsibilities and build on strengths of students and the Agriculture program. There is an extended contract available. Apply on www.edjoin.org, search under "Hemet". For furthermore questions and information please email Ralph Mosqueda, Dept. Head at rmosqued@hemetusd.org.
- **Holtville High School** – is seeking a replacement in a two person department. Located in the Imperial Valley, we have great community support in a strong agricultural area. The position is for either of our two pathways depending on the strengths of the applicant: Ag mechanics or Ag Science. There is current Ag Mechanics pathway including intro to Ag mechanics, Ag wood construction, Ag welding and fabrication, and ROP farm shop mechanics. There is current Ag Science pathway including Ag Science, Ag Biology, Vet Science, Advanced Agriscience and Ag Econ/Govt. Facilities include three shops, wood shop, welding shop, and farm shop/small engines shop adjacent to a lecture classroom and shaded outdoor compound for mechanics. For Ag science, a shade house and raised bed area, classroom, 2 acres of gated pasture, and the soon to be construction of a new barn. Expectations will also include supervising FFA and SAE projects. Position includes a 30-day extended contract. Apply at www.edjoin.org Holtville Unified School District. Application Deadline: Open until filled. For more information contact Lindsey Cox, Dept. Head. 530-979-0442

- **Julian High School** – filled by Curtis Martineau
- **Snowline USD (Serrano HS)** - Agricultural Science Teacher with EL authorization (to establish an eligibility list for the 2018-2019 school year). Apply on edjoin

3. Due Bills: The following schools have not paid the following Region Past Due Bills (as of 3/26/18):

Calexico	SOCAL	Lakeside Middle	SOCAL, Dec. In-service
Citrus Hill	Dec. In-service	Valley Center	Dec. In-service
Coachella Valley	SOCAL	West Valley	SOCAL

II. Previous and/or On-going AgEd News & Announcement

- 4. National FFA Teacher Ambassadors Selected** – Congratulations to Brian Kim of Sunny Hills for being selected as a National FFA Ag. Ambassador.
- 5. State Scholarship Finalists:** The following students are finalists for State FFA Scholarships: Sydney Mange – Holtville; Conner Watson – El Capitan; Kyle Dayton – Jurupa Valley; Hailey Baldwin – Escondido; Tori Pedersen – Escondido; and Brianne Shannon – Mission Viejo
- 6. Region Jaime Lynn Pettey Scholarship Finalists** - Congratulations to the following for being named Region Pettey Scholarship Finalists: Hailey Baldwin – Escondido, Kyle Dayton – Jurupa Valley, Sydney George – El Capitan, Brianne Shannon – Mission Viejo and Conner Watson – El Capitan.

III. Things to Do for Department Chairpersons:

- Register for CATA Summer Conference

IV. Important Dates to Remember:

- April 1 Pomona/Mt SAC Field Day LATE Registration due
- April 5 High Desert COOP Quiz @ Grove 3:30 PM
- April 7 Cal Poly Pomona & Mt. SAC Field Day 7:30 AM
- April 7 CATA Region Meeting @ CPP 8:30AM – Bronco Student Center
- April 7 FFA Region Meeting @ CPP 1:15 PM – Bronco Student Center
- April 12 High Desert FFA Officer Screening @ Apple Valley HS 3:30 PM
- April 13 San Diego Section FFA Officer Applications due
- April 19 State FFA Leadership Finals @ Fresno
- April 20 State FFA Parli Pro Finals @ Fresno
- April 22-25 State FFA Conference @ Anaheim