Arizona Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom
AITC Ambassador Program

Student Application

Growing Leaders. Educating Communities. Investing in Agriculture's Future.

The AITC Ambassador Program provides high school seniors and college students with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in agricultural education, community outreach, leadership, and the agriculture industry while earning scholarship funds for their education.

AITC Ambassadors work alongside the Ag in the Classroom team to participate in classroom presentations, STEAM events, Science Nights, agricultural education activities, community events, industry tours, Farm Bureau events, and other opportunities throughout the year.

Ambassadors can earn $1,000–$4,000 in scholarship funding based on their participation and engagement in the program.

Each Ambassador also receives a first-year FREE Arizona Farm Bureau membership.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____**Preferred Name:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email: _____**Home Address:** _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

EDUCATION

Current School: _____

Grade Level:

☐ High School Senior
☐ College Freshman
☐ College Sophomore
☐ College Junior
☐ Trade School:

If a trade school, which one? _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Major/Area of Study: _____

Career or educational goals:

YOUR INTEREST IN AITC

1. Why are you interested in becoming an AITC Ambassador?

Tell us why you are interested in the program and what you hope to gain from the experience.

2. What does agricultural education mean to you?

3. Why do you think agricultural education is important?

4. What qualities would make you a successful AITC Ambassador?

5. What do you hope to contribute to AITC?

LEADERSHIP AND EXPERIENCE

6. Describe your leadership experience.

This may include school organizations, 4-H, FFA, athletics, clubs, community organizations, employment, volunteer work, or other experiences.

7. What experience do you have speaking to groups, working with children, teaching, presenting, or interacting with the public?

AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

8. Describe your involvement in agriculture, if applicable.

This may include farming, ranching, FFA, 4-H, agricultural organizations, agricultural businesses, Farm Bureau, classroom activities, or other experiences.

9. Describe your community service or volunteer experience.

10. Have you previously participated in or volunteered with Arizona Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom?

☐ Yes
☐ No

If yes, please describe the activities, events, or opportunities in which you participated.

Note: Previous involvement with AITC is not required. However, applicants who have demonstrated prior commitment to AITC through participation or volunteer service may receive additional consideration during the selection process.

COMMITMENT TO THE PROGRAM

AITC Ambassadors are expected to actively participate in opportunities throughout the program year.

11. What types of AITC opportunities would you be most interested in?

Check all that apply.

☐ Classroom presentations
☐ STEAM Events
☐ Science Nights
☐ Agricultural education activities
☐ Community outreach
☐ Industry tours
☐ Commodity Committee Meetings
☐ County Farm Bureau Meetings
☐ Racin' for the Bacon Derby Dinner
☐ Arizona Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
☐ Agricultural conferences/events
☐ Working with elementary students
☐ Public speaking
☐ Social media/communications
☐ Other: _____

12. How will you balance the Ambassador Program with school, work, athletics, and other commitments?

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

The AITC Ambassador Program is designed around the philosophy:

The More You Put In, The More You Can Earn.

Ambassadors may earn between **$1,000 and $4,000 in scholarship funding**, based on their participation, engagement, leadership, and completion of program expectations.

13. What motivates you to participate fully in the Ambassador Program?

14. How would receiving an AITC Ambassador scholarship help you achieve your educational goals?

REQUIRED RECOMMENDATION LETTER

Each applicant must submit a **minimum of one letter of recommendation**.

The recommendation should come from someone who can speak to the applicant's character, leadership, work ethic, communication skills, dependability, and potential to serve as an AITC Ambassador.

Recommended individuals may include:

- Teacher
- FFA advisor
- 4-H leader
- Employer
- Coach
- Community leader
- Farm Bureau member
- Agricultural professional
- Volunteer coordinator

Recommender Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Phone/Email: _____

☐ Recommendation letter attached

Additional recommendation letters may be submitted but are not required.

REQUIRED VIDEO INTRODUCTION

Each applicant must submit a short **video introduction**.

Video Prompt

"Why do you think you would be a good AITC Ambassador?" Attach video or video link to email submission.

Applicants should introduce themselves and explain why they are interested in the program, what they would bring to the AITC team, and why they would be a strong representative of agricultural education.

Video Guidelines

- Recommended length: 60-90 seconds
- Applicant must appear on camera.
- Professional editing is not required.
- Applicants are encouraged to be themselves.
- Creativity is welcome.
- Clear audio and understandable communication are important.
- The video should reflect the applicant's personality, enthusiasm, and communication skills.

APPLICANT AGREEMENT

By submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is accurate and complete.

If selected as an AITC Ambassador, I agree to:

- Represent Arizona Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom in a professional and positive manner.
- Participate actively in AITC activities and opportunities.
- Communicate with AITC staff in a timely and professional manner.
- Attend required events and activities to the best of my ability.
- Participate in training and preparation for educational activities.
- Present accurate agricultural information.
- Treat students, teachers, volunteers, Farm Bureau members, industry professionals, and other participants with respect.
- Understand that scholarship funding is based on participation and completion of program expectations.
- Serve as a positive representative of AITC and Arizona agriculture.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature, if under 18: _____

Date: _____
