

UPPER SCHOOL FFA TEACHER

AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

Job Description



PURPOSE

The Upper School FFA (Agricultural Science) Teacher at Berean Christian Academy teaches and trains students to pursue wisdom and godliness while cultivating agricultural literacy, leadership, and stewardship through a Christ-centered worldview. This teacher will oversee the school's Agricultural Science and FFA programs, equipping students to recognize Truth, Goodness, and Beauty in God's creation through academic study, hands-on experience, and character formation.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Teaching and Instruction

Teaches assigned agricultural science and FFA-related courses in a way that inspires students to love learning and understand agriculture as part of God's good design by:

- a. Demonstrating mastery of agricultural content including animal science, plant science, agribusiness, natural resources, and leadership
- b. Preparing engaging lessons aligned with Agricultural Science and BCA's classical education framework
- c. Clearly communicating concepts through vivid, effective instruction
- d. Meeting students' individual learning needs through differentiated teaching method
- e. Connecting classroom knowledge to practical, real-world agricultural and biblical applications
- f. Guiding students toward personal responsibility, critical thinking, and skill mastery
- g. Promoting retention and application of knowledge through labs, fieldwork, and discussion
- h. Integrating biblical truth into all aspects of agricultural and leadership education

2. FFA Program Leadership

Serves as the FFA Advisor for Berean Christian Academy's chartered Texas FFA Chapter, developing a thriving, Christ-centered program that fosters leadership, responsibility, and service by:

- a. Supervising all FFA chapter activities, including meetings, community service, and leadership events
- b. Guiding student officers and members in planning and executing local, district, area, and state events

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DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Cont.)

- c. Overseeing Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects for all enrolled students and maintaining accurate student records in the AET (Agricultural Experience Tracker)
- d. Managing all required FFA documentation, membership rosters, budgets, and reports according to Texas FFA guidelines
- e. Coordinating participation in stock shows, contests (Leadership Development Events/Career Development Events), and conventions
- f. Overseeing FFA fundraising, chapter finances, and stewardship of resources
- g. Promoting Christian character, servant leadership, and teamwork through all FFA activities

3. Classroom Culture and Discipleship

Cultivates a classroom environment that reflects Christ's lordship and the pursuit of virtue and knowledge by:

- a. Following BCA discipline policies and reinforcing biblical standards of behavior
- b. Modeling diligence, integrity, and joy in learning
- c. Establishing clear expectations and maintaining a culture of respect and responsibility
- d. Discipling students toward maturity in faith and conduct
- e. Maintaining high standards for academics, uniforms, and school culture
- f. Fostering a love of creation care and gratitude for God's provision through agricultural learning

4. Professional Conduct and Collaboration

Demonstrates Christ-like professionalism and collaboration resulting in students and colleagues who pursue excellence in all things by:

- a. Maintaining punctuality, organization, and reliability
- b. Following staff dress code and conduct standards
- c. Planning, grading, and communicating with parents in a timely and professional manner
- d. Maintaining accurate and transparent grade records and documentation
- e. Collaborating with faculty and administration to further the mission of BCA
- f. Communicating promptly and respectfully with parents, colleagues, and leadership

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DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Cont.)

g. Living in accordance with biblical principles and BCA's Portrait of a Teacher

5. Program Maintenance and Stewardship

Creates and maintains a safe, inspiring, and well-organized agricultural learning environment by:

- a. Maintaining the agriculture classroom, shop, barn, greenhouse, and any instructional facilities in good working order
- b. Supervising and ensuring safety procedures during all lab and field activities
- c. Overseeing care for school-owned livestock, crops, or agricultural projects
- d. Incorporating visual and hands-on elements that encourage wonder, stewardship, and gratitude for God's creation

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Education, Animal Science, Plant Science, or related field (required)
- Valid Texas Educator Certification in Agricultural Science and Technology (Grades 6–12) or eligibility to obtain
- Must be a Christian, in full agreement with Berean Christian Academy's Statement of Faith and active in a local church
- Prior experience teaching or advising FFA programs (preferred)
- Demonstrated understanding of, or willingness to learn, Classical Christian Education and Charlotte Mason principles
- Ability to organize and supervise Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects, FFA events, and recordkeeping (Agriculture Experience Tracker proficiency preferred)
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Must hold or be able to obtain CPR and First Aid Certification
- Proficiency in Google Workspace, Microsoft Office, and FACTS (RenWeb)
- Physically able to meet the demands of classroom, lab, and field environments

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SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Supervises students in all agricultural science classes, FFA activities, and events. May supervise Teaching Assistants or other program staff.

WORK ENVIRONMENT/DYNAMICS:

Teachers work primarily in a classroom, lab, or agricultural setting, and also supervise students during recess, lunch, and FFA-related events. Teachers have additional duties as assigned by administration.

WORK YEAR:

Full-time, 9-month position with additional responsibilities during summer for FFA events, stock shows, or SAE project supervision as needed.