

Aquaculture

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Purpose: Aquaculture involves programs that use the best management practices available to produce and market aquatic plants and animals. Programs can include catfish, shrimp and crawfish farming; mollusks; salmon ranching; tropical fish rearing and tilapia culture. Students with placement or entrepreneurship programs may enter in this area.

Background: FFA members recognize that the future of the agricultural industry is constantly evolving. Aquaculture production is an agriculture career that has expanded tremendously during the past decade.

Visibility: The sponsor of this award will be recognized in the following ways:

- ✓ Immediate press release recognizing the new partnership.
- ✓ Statewide recognition at the state FFA Convention in front of 2500 FFA members.
- ✓ Statewide media recognition through press releases in agricultural publications.
- ✓ Name of sponsor on plaques received by FFA members.
- ✓ Up to thirty applicants statewide annually.

Budget: The annual cost of this three-year commitment is \$500.00. This amount of support each year will provide for cost of award plaques with sponsor's name on each of three regional levels and on the statewide level and cash awards.

Expected Results: This partnership will generate added interest and excitement in this award area. Through this increased interest more students will focus their skill development in the area of Aquaculture.