

**A GRANT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND**

ATTACHMENT 2

THIS GRANT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Illinois State Board of Education and _____ (the "Grantee") and effective on the date it is fully executed.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education, pursuant to Agricultural Education (105 ILCS 5/2-3.80a)], has the authority to distribute funds to eligible applicants for the purposes of implementing the Growing Agriculture Science Teachers (GAST) Grant;

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education issued a Request for Applications on _____, seeking eligible applicants for funding through the 31st of July, 2015;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the aforementioned Request for Applications, the Grantee has submitted an application for funding from the State Board of Education for the Growing Agriculture Science Teachers (GAST) grant to implement the program activities, services and purposes described on Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Grant Activities"); and

WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education has approved the funding of the Grant Activities through the 31st of July, 2015;

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the mutual covenants herewith contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. The State Board of Education hereby awards the Grantee a grant in the amount set forth in the Budget Summary and Payment Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit B and the Budget Breakdown/Narrative attached hereto as Exhibit C (the "Grant Award") for the Grant Activities. The Grantee agrees that the Grant Award shall be expended in accordance with the budget attached hereto as Exhibits B and C, and in accordance with the other terms and provisions of this Agreement.
2. The beginning date of funding eligibility for Grant Activities shall be _____ (ISBE only). The ending date of funding eligibility for Grant Activities shall be the 31st of July, 2015. The period from the beginning and ending dates listed in the preceding sentence is hereafter referred to as the "Term". The Grantee shall complete the Grant Activities within the Term.
 - Notwithstanding the foregoing, at the State Board of Education's sole discretion and contingent upon satisfactory progress in the preceding grant year and sufficient appropriation for program activities, the Term may be extended to the Grantee for four additional one-year periods.
 - The Grant Award will be made on a one year only Term and may not be renewed.
3. The disbursement of the Grant Award will be made by the State Board of Education in accordance with the approved payment schedule. The Budget Summary and Payment Schedule is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Grantee shall provide, as requested by the State Board of Education, documentation to substantiate the requested amount.
4. This Agreement is subject to the Program-Specific Terms set forth in Exhibit D, and the Certifications and Assurances, and Standard Terms of the Grant set forth in Exhibit E. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency among the documents constituting this Agreement, the following order of precedence shall govern:
 - i. This Agreement, excluding the Exhibits;
 - ii. Exhibit E, The Certifications and Assurances, and Standard Terms of the Grant and any federal certification forms that may be required (i.e., Certification Regarding Debarment and Certification Regarding Lobbying);
 - iii. Exhibit D, Program-Specific Terms of the Grant; and
 - iv. Exhibits A, B, and C.

5. This Agreement, including the Exhibits specified below which are incorporated into this Agreement by this reference, constitutes the entirety of the agreement between the parties and supersedes any other agreement or communication, whether written or oral, relating to this award that may have been made by either party. This Agreement may not be amended or modified except by a written instrument executed by both the Grantee and the State Board of Education.

Exhibit A: Grant Activities (i.e., approved proposal, attachments and any approved amendments to the original proposal)

Exhibit B: Budget Summary and Payment Schedule

Exhibit C: Budget Breakdown/Narrative

Exhibit D: Program-Specific Terms of the Grant

Exhibit E: Certifications and Assurances, and Standard Terms of the Grant

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have entered into this Agreement as of the effective date hereof.

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

GRANTEE

By: _____
(Typed)

By: _____
(Typed)

By: _____
(Signature)

By: _____
(Signature)

Title: _____
(Executive Staff or Division Administrator)

Title: _____
(Authorized Official)

Date: _____

Date: _____