August 13, 2020

To:   Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education (FANRE) Secondary/Post-Secondary Instructors and Administrators

From:  Erin E. Noble, State Program Leader for Food, Ag and Natural Resources Education

Re:  Fall Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education Professional Development Conference

The New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Office of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education, in partnership with New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators, will conduct the fall professional development conference for secondary/postsecondary agriculture instructors and related administrators, counselors, and college faculty VIRTUALLY via Zoom on Friday, September 25, 2020.

The conference, worth up to 5 “professional development hours,” is designed to provide information about utilizing tools to improve your program and provide greater opportunities for your students. Topics may include but may not be limited to: creating culturally inclusive classrooms; a culture of safety; Perkins V and Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment; FFA updates; new and early career teacher focused workshop; tech resources, and more. This year’s theme is “Surviving and Thriving in the Virtual World.” Content from the conference will be made available to paid conference registrants for a short period of time following the conference. This will allow teachers to access the content asynchronously, synchronously or a combination of both.

**PAYMENT PROCESS - PLEASE NOTE:** All registrations (and payments) will be processed by the Office of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education; however, registration checks/payments must be made payable to: NJAAE. (Please do not include payment for this conference with any FFA payments or payment will need to be returned and re-issued. Payments will only be accepted if made payable to: NJAAE for the Fall FANR Education Conference!)

Professional development certificates will be presented at the end of the conference for those attending the entire event. Participants may be asked to complete short assignments to ensure accountability to the fulfilling the hours.

If you have any questions, please call me at 1.877.Ag Ed FFA.

To register, please go to: [https://form.jotform.com/NJFFA/FallFANREConference](https://form.jotform.com/NJFFA/FallFANREConference)

| Registration Deadline: | September 18, 2020 |
| Conference Date: | September 25, 2020 |
| Conference Schedule: | 9:00 am – 3:15 pm |
| NJAAE Executive Board Meeting | 3:30 – 5:00 pm |
| Location: | via Zoom |

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Conference Fee structure/options:

NJAAE membership + NAAE membership + Conference registration: $145
(Includes all benefits of being a member of state and national ag teachers’ organizations and conference registration)

lifetime NAAE Members
NJAAE membership + Conference registration: $85

Conference Registration:
Conference Registration: (for NJAAE paid members prior to August 31)

Conference Registration for Student Teachers and Ag Ed majors: $25

NJAAE + NAAE membership + Conference registration: Student Teachers and Ag Ed majors: $30

Additional Membership Options:

ACTE membership (state/nat’l): $100

NAAE membership: $60

FFA Alumni & Supporters Dues (annual/lifetime): $20/$200

*NJAAE/NAAE/ACTE/National FFA Alumni membership can be accessed online at: https://web.acteonline.org/ACTE.Join/Join_ACTE.aspx.