

Farmers can support rural schools by nominating them

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For the second consecutive year, America's Farmers Grow Rural EducationSM, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, will give Nebraska farmers the opportunity to enhance math and science programs in their communities.

Nebraska to receive up to \$105,000 for math and science programs across the state.

Now until April 15, farmers can nominate a local public school district to compete for a merit-based grant of up to \$25,000. Administrators of nominated school districts may then submit grant applications through April 30. This year, the program expands to 26 new counties, for a total of 1,271 eligible counties across 39 states.

The America's Farmers Grow Rural Education program is part of a broad commitment by the Monsanto Fund to highlight the important contributions farmers make every day to society. Following a successful pilot in Minnesota and Illinois, America's Farmers Grow Rural Education debuted nationally last year, awarding \$2.3 million to school districts coast to coast.

Eligible farmers can nominate their favorite public school district by visiting www.GrowRuralEducation.com and following the "Nominate Now" link on the top, left-hand corner of the page. Farmers may also nominate a school district by calling 1-877-267-3332.