

Hello and welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! As we enter into this new school year that is like no other year before, I am hopeful and excited that this school year will be nothing less than amazing! I wanted to take a moment and explain who we are and what we do. First I'll explain what we do.

In short, we fundraise for the students in the Agriscience program. Alumni works closely with the Agriscience teaching team, staff and students to support the needs of the program.

Funding is made possible through fundraisers that Alumni facilitate, corporate sponsorships, and private donations. The funds are distributed in a variety of ways to the students from pizza for Career Development Event (CDE) cram nights to subsidizing the cost of student Blue Jackets, leadership training trips, awards, and scholarships. While Alumni fundraising efforts have been abruptly halted since March of 2020 due to Covid 19, donations through the generosity of families who have students in the program, corporate sponsorships along with private donations are still being received. Geissler supermarkets generously sponsor our program, donating to the program 5% on total dollar amount collected for any receipt of \$35.00 or more.

The Alumni team loves being part of this great program and serving the chapter through the efforts of fundraising. Please accept this invitation to join our Facebook page, become a member of FFA Alumni, chair a fundraiser, write an article about the program or students, or simply join us at an Alumni meeting. Joining the Facebook page will allow us to keep you informed about important updates, dates , and other information throughout the school year. Please allow Alumni to gather email information from you, this is a separate permission you give to us as Alumni that is not connected with your permission to the Agriscience staff or School main office staff, your email is not shared with us from either of those places.

I look forward to meeting all of you and your students throughout the school year. Please drop me a note, send me an email, or tell me something about your family, i'd love to hear from you!

Val Galinski
Suffield Regional Alumni President



Mission:

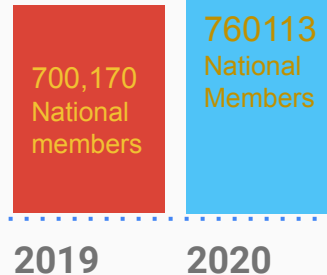
Alumni is dedicated to supporting the Agriscience students and program through developing, planning, and facilitating fundraising events such as Suffield on the Green



Suffield FFA Alumni supports the growing number of Agriscience students through fundraising:

Fundraising for FFA students helps subsidize purchases such as FFA Blue Jackets through the following year long fundraisers...

1. Geissler receipts
2. Amazon Smile purchases
3. Corporate matching sponsorship programs such as United Way, Eversource, etc.
4. Private donations.



Ongoing Fundraisers



Amazon Smile-



Founded By Family

Geissler's started in 1923 with A.F. Geissler delivering groceries to the small village of Broad Brook in the Town of East Windsor, Ct. Mr. Geissler's daughter Mary, married Jim Nilsson, who took over and expanded the business into a multi store independent chain.

Geissler stores in East Windsor, Somers, and Granby sponsor this receipt program.

Cooperation is the
thorough conviction that
nobody can get there unless
everybody gets there.

Virginia Burden



Our Alumni team



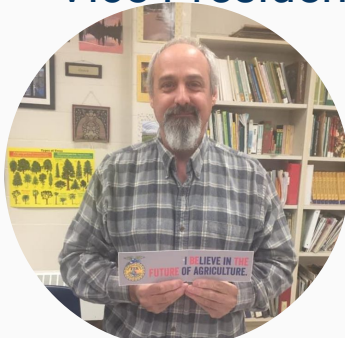
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President



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Treasurer



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Membership



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Vice President



Lauren Kaplan
Secretary

Milestones

Our typical year of fundraising

September
2019

Suffield on the Green-

October 2019

Yankee Candle
Fundraiser

December 2019

Red Robin Fundraiser

Jan

Feb

Mar

Apr

May

Jun

Jul

Aug

Sept

Oct

Nov

Dec

March /April
2020

- Floral Night Fundraiser
- Dairy Cream Fundraiser

May 2020

Alumni Silent Auction
and Awards night

Fundraising- How it works- it's that easy!

Step 1

Suggest a fundraiser at an Alumni meeting

Shop gift cards

Step 2

Alumni will discuss the fundraiser and decide to approve and move forward with the fundraiser

Alumni discusses the fundraiser

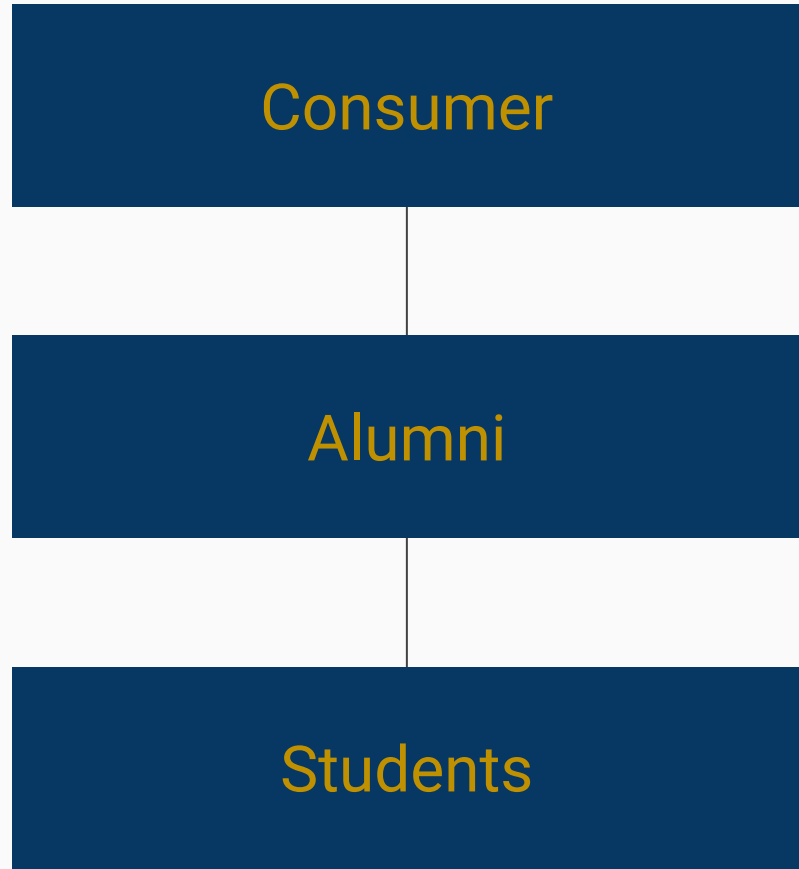
Step 3

Alumni plans the fundraiser

Alumni decides to move forward with idea

Fundraising model

- ❖ Alumni Events
- ❖ Business fundraisers
- ❖ Example: Dairy Cream, Gift card fundraiser.
- ❖ Corporate matching sponsors
- ❖ Membership and individual donations
- ❖ Geissler receipts
- ❖ Alumni Sweatshirt and hat sales



Thank you!

Alumni utilizes its parents, supporters, and stakeholders to fund the Agriscience students and POA throughout the year. Without the generous support of all of these people, to attend these events and fully participate in the Agriscience program, the burden of financial responsibility would be on each individual family alone.

Thank you parents and supporters of the Agriscience program for taking the time to attend the events, volunteer, or chair an event! Our Alumni team welcomes all suggestions and involvement in our program and we look forward to hearing from all of you!