Killingly Agricultural Education

…is it for you?







KHS Ag Ed Recruiting Video

Do you like to…

- Be around animals?
- Spend time outside?
- Fix things?
- Garden?
- Work with your hands?
- Hunt or fish?
- Drive a tractor?
- Learn about wildlife?
- Figure out how things work?
- Conduct experiments?
- Work as a part of a team?
- Give presentations?
- Teach younger children?
- Help protect the planet?
- Help injured or sick animals?
- Know where your food comes from?
- Hike in the woods?
- Build things?
- Be a leader?

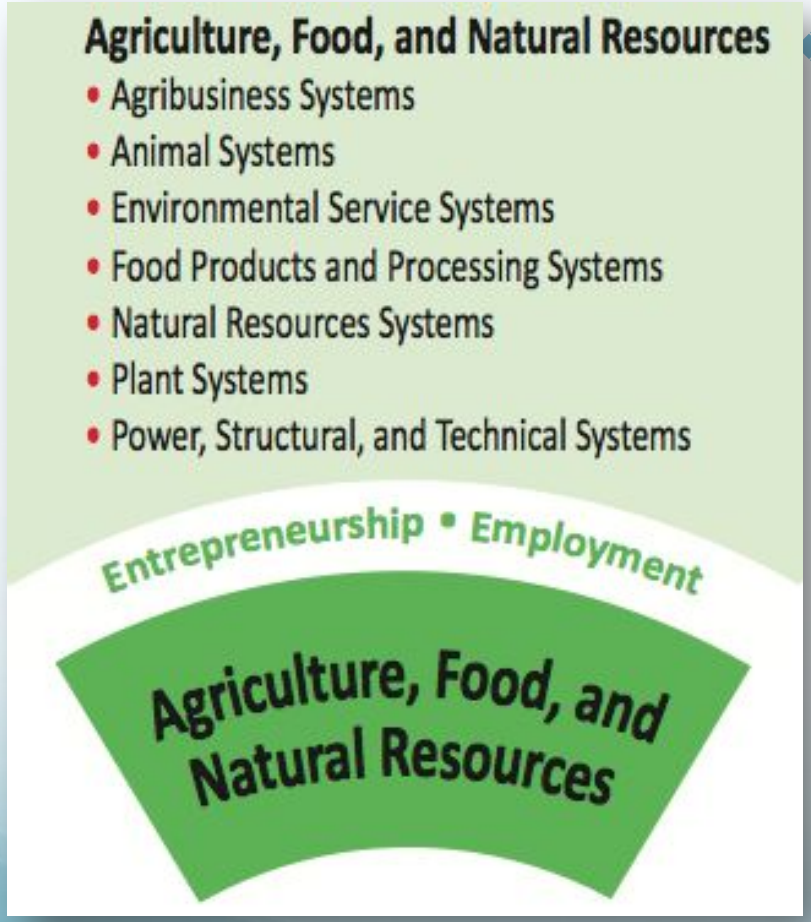
… then Killingly Agriculture Education might be for you!

We are a Connecticut School Choice Option!

- Students from *Killingly*, *Brooklyn*, *Pomfret, Sterling and Woodstock* can choose to attend Killingly High School with or without enrolling in the Ag Program
- Students from *Canterbury, Eastford, Griswold, Thompson, Plainfield and* must be Ag Students to attend Killingly High School
- Students who are accepted to the Ag Program:
  - Take Agriculture Education classes as a part of KHS's comprehensive curriculum
  - Become Killingly High School students
  - Participate in all KHS sports and activities

We're NOT just Cows and Plows!

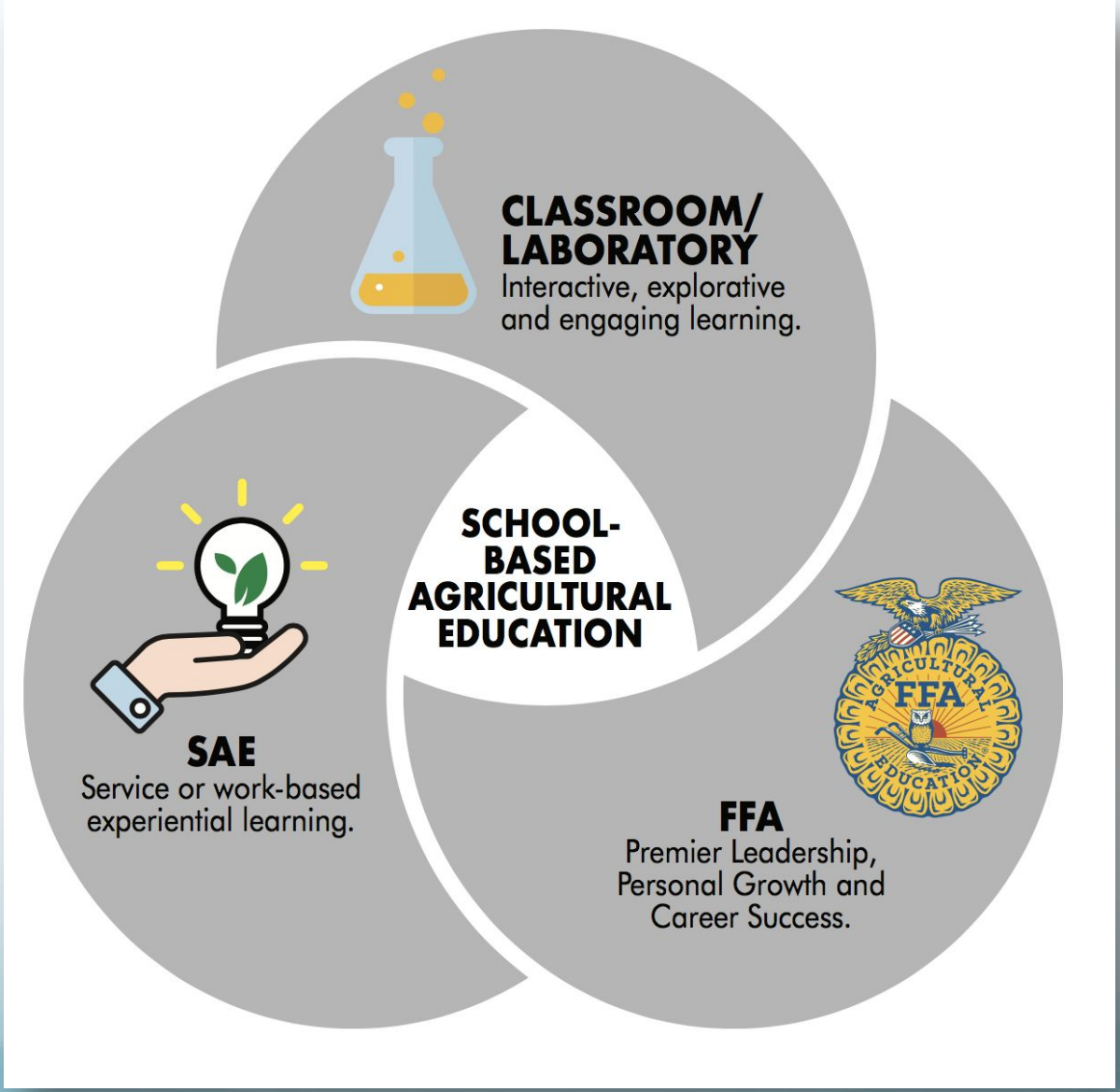
Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources is broad field including a variety of skills and opportunities.



We're about…

- Working with your hands!
- Science & Research
- Business & Entrepreneurship
- Food & Health
- Art through Natural Materials
- Nature & Protecting the Planet
- Leadership & Communication
- Careers & Job Readiness
- Engineering & Working
- Forests & Natural Resources
- And so many other things…

Our Three-Ring Model



Classroom Instruction

- Major Areas of Study
  - Animal Science
  - Plant Science (Horticulture)
  - Aquaculture
  - Environmental Science
  - Agriculture Mechanics
  - Food Science

Check out http://www.killinglyschools.org/aged for more information on curriculum and images of our facilities.

- Our school is equipped with a barn and small animal room, a newly renovated food science lab, four greenhouses, a fully equipped shop, aquaculture lab and a 10 acre farm!

Hands-on Learning in the Classroom









Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)

- Each Agriculture Education student develops their own unique project related to agriculture or the environment.
  - It is an excellent opportunity for students to learn valuable skills related to their interests.
  - Students with quality SAE projects are more likely to be successful academically; are more employable and have better interpersonal skills.
  - It is required and graded each academic quarter







The possibilities are endless…

The National FFA Organization





The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Students who work hard and take advantage of opportunities to learn are rewarded!

Earn Money and Scholarships
Recognized with Awards
Career Opportunities
Higher Academic Grades
Meet New People
Get Involved in Your Community
Life Skills that Prepare you for College and/or the Workforce
… and many more…

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How is it different from the technical schools?
2. Will I still be prepared for college?
3. What other classes can I take? What other clubs and activities can I join?
4. What if I don't really want to have an ag career, but I do want to take ag classes?

1. Ag Students are a part of a comprehensive high school, ag class is one or two courses per year in your schedule.
2. Yes, All courses are taught at the college-prep level but include students at all ability levels.
3. You can take any course, play any sport or join any club offered by Killingly High School.
4. Apply to the ag program! For some of our graduates agriculture becomes a lifelong interest or hobby instead of a career. We teach a variety of transferable skills that are essential to all different types of career.

How Do I Learn More?

- Attend our Open House for Interested 8th Graders
  - November 12th at 6:00pm
- Take a tour of the Ag Center
  - All tour guides are current students, ask them questions!
- Schedule a Shadow Day
  - Contact the KHS School Counseling Office
- Check out our website
  - www.killinglyschools.org/aged

How do I apply?

The Application

1. Download it from our website www.killinglyschools.org/aged
2. Complete it electronically or by hand
3. Return it to us by mail or email

Interview

- All applicants are interviewed as a part of the application process.
- It is a 5 minute interview & we provide the questions in advance

Admissions Decisions

- First preference is given to students who complete the application before December 11th
- We continue to accept students beyond the first deadline as rolling admissions.

Questions?

- Learn more about us by visiting our website.
  - www.KillinglySchools.org/aged
- Contact an Ag Teacher by phone or email
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