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To: New Jersey Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Education Secondary and Post Secondary Instructors

From: Nancy J. Trivette, State Program Leader, Agricultural Education

Re: Fall Agricultural Education Professional Development Conference

The New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Office of Agricultural Education will conduct the fall professional development conference for secondary and postsecondary agriculture instructors and related administrators, counselors, and college faculty on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at the Rutgers Eco Complex, Columbus, NJ. The conference, worth 5 "professional development hours," is designed to provide the latest information to help you meet New Jersey's vision and goals for agricultural education.

Targeted topics of discussion include: Programs of Study, developing/formalizing articulation agreements, and incorporating academics in Agriculture, all in an effort to prepare students for high skill, high wage, and high demand careers of agriculture, food and natural resources.

If you have any questions, please call me at 1.877.Ag Ed FFA. Please note that the conference ends at 3:15 pm. Professional development certificates will be presented at the end of the conference. Please plan your schedule accordingly. Directions - [http://ecocomplex.rutgers.edu/about\\_us\\_directions.php](http://ecocomplex.rutgers.edu/about_us_directions.php)

Use the attached Excel form to register and email to: [ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us)

<b>Registration Deadline:</b>	September 23, 2011
<b>Conference Date:</b>	September 30, 2011
<b>Registration/Continental Breakfast:</b>	8:30 am – 9:00 am
<b>Conference Schedule:</b>	8:30 am – 3:15 pm
<b>Location:</b>	EcoComplex, 1200 Florence Columbus Rd., Columbus, NJ
<b>Fee:</b>	\$30.00 (covers materials and food costs)