Summary of Early Field Experience I Activities

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Required Field Experiences

Field Experience 1: Interview the agricultural educator.

Field Experience 2: Interview a special education resource person.

Field Experience 3: Interview the principal or another administrator in the high school.

Field Experience 4: Observe one career and technical education class (industrial arts, family and consumer sciences, business, etc.) in the same school and interview the teacher.

Field Experience 5: Observe the ag teacher in the process of teaching two lessons. (One lesson should be direct instruction, while the other lesson should be lab-based or student-centered instruction).

Field Experience 6: Reflect on the ag teacher as an instructional leader after observing at least two consecutive courses.

Field Experience 7: Observe student engagement.

Field Experience 8: Teach one *unit* of classroom content (2-5 days).

Field Experience 9: Visit an alternative education school (any age level, any location). Interview a teacher in the school.

Field Experience 10: Obtain a copy of the ag teacher's classroom rules/expectations. Create your own rules/expectations.

Field Experience 11: Planning for summer activities.

Field Experience 12: Help judge a CDE *and* proficiency award competition (any level for both). Write separate responses for each activity.

Field Experience 13: Explore FFA activities and opportunities.

Field Experience 14: Explore Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs.

Field Experience 15: Develop your educational philosophy statement as a future agricultural educator.

Suggested Field Experiences *(must complete 2)*

Suggested Field Experience 1: Attend a section IAVAT meeting.

Suggested Field Experience 2: Attend an FFA banquet (at student teaching location or another site).

Suggested Field Experience 3: Attend an in-service (teacher professional development) program with your cooperating teacher.

Suggested Field Experience 4: Describe the layout for the agriculture mechanics lab or greenhouse.

Suggested Field Experience 5: Attend an advisory council or FFA Alumni meeting.