Eighth Grade Units and Lessons

1. The Ag Ed Program Unit

MSAGED8-1: Students will identify the three main parts of the agricultural education program.

MSAGED8-2: Students will develop an understanding of the FFA organization.

- Ag and Society Lesson
- Purpose of FFA Lesson
- What is an SAE Lesson

2. Leaders and Leadership Skills Unit

MSAGED8-3: Students develop leadership skills, characteristics, and responsibilities. MSAGED8-4: Students will develop and use verbal and nonverbal communication skills.

- What is a Leader Lesson
- Communication Skills Lesson

3. Employability Skills Unit

MSAGED8-5: Students will develop work ethic and employability skills through agricultural education and leadership programs.

• Work Ethic Lesson

4. Exploring Horticulture and Plant Science Unit

MSAGED8-6: Students will define and explain the horticulture industry. MSAGED8-7: Students will identify plant parts and their functions. MSAGED8-8: Students will define methods of plant propagation either by sexual or asexual reproduction.

MSAGED8-9: Students will identify plant growth requirements.

- Introduction to Horticulture and Plant Science Lesson
- Plant Anatomy Lesson
- Plant Propagation Lesson
- Growth Requirements of Plants Lesson

5. Exploring Forestry and Wildlife Unit

MSAGED8-10: Students will define the forestry and natural resource industry. MSAGED8-11: Students will identify the importance of the forest. MSAGED8-12: Students will be able to classify and list examples of trees specific to our region.

MSAGED8-13: Students will explain the importance of conservation and preservation of natural resources.

MSAGED8-14: Students will be able to describe wildlife and their habitat.

- The Forestry Industry Lesson
- Natural Resources Lesson
- Forestry Management Lesson
- Forest Dendrology Lesson
- Conservation and Preservation Lesson

6. Exploring Agriscience Unit

MSAGED8-15: Students will identify the role of agriscience in meeting human needs. MSAGED8-16: Students will identify current trends and issues relating to Agriscience. MSAGED8-17: Students will demonstrate the application of agriscience in agricultural animal research and production.

MSAGED8-18: Students will demonstrate the application of agriscience in agricultural plant research and production.

- Agriscience in Plant Science Lesson
- Agriscience in Animal Science Lesson

7. Ag Career Exploration Unit

MSAGED8-19: Students will identify various clusters in the field of agriscience.

• Agriculture as a Career Lesson