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## TECH NOLOGY

This sixth issue of the North Dakota Ag Mag focuses on technology in agriculture. The information and activities are geared primarily toward the state's third, fourth and fifth graders.

This magazine is one of the North Dakota Agriculture in the Classroom Council activities that helps you and other K-12 teachers integrate information and activities about North Dakota agriculture into your science, math, language arts, social studies and other classes. It's an additional resource rather than a separate program of study.

Another Council project is **Food, Land & People (FLP)**. This national resource features 55 PreK-12 lessons that teach problem solving, critical thinking, group work and more skills while helping students understand the interrelationships among agriculture, the environment and people of the world.

Food, Land & People classes are taught across the state on sufficient demand. The FLP classes feature many hands-on activities, farm and agribusiness tours, idea sharing and much more over two days. Registration covers one hour of EDU 600 credit from North Dakota State University plus the 735-page Resources for Learning book, meals, breaks and additional materials. Local scholarships may be available from agricultural organizations and agencies. Shorter inservices without academic credit are also available upon demand.

Another Council resource is **AgCitement**, a mobile learning lab with hands-on activities to help students learn about agriculture. This mobile lab can be taken to schools, community events, educational activities and other locations. Students can grind wheat, feel different grains, see a cow's stomach, match food and other products with their sources, and do many other activities. Contact the Ag in the Classroom Council about scheduling AgCitement.

Many other resources and updates are available at the N.D. Agriculture in the Classroom Web site at [www.ndaginclassroom.org](http://www.ndaginclassroom.org).

If you have suggestions for the Ag Mag or any other ways the North Dakota Agriculture in the Classroom Council can help you integrate ag information into your classes, we'd love to hear it. Thank you!

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