

Train-the-Teachers in Plant Science Program

Colorado Agriculture Field Trip
July 27-31, 2026

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Monday July 27*: Fort Collins

Have lunch with OEE leaders and select CSU faculty, tour the Agricultural Research, Development and Education Center, CSU trial gardens, and Heritage arboretum. Lodging in Fort Collins.

*Optional for Western-slope-based teachers

Tuesday, July 28: Grand Junction

Travel to Grand Junction. Tour and lunch at Western Colorado Research Center* - Orchard Mesa. Lodging in Grand Junction.

*Western-slope-based teachers can meet us here

Wednesday, July 29: Cortez

Travel to Cortez. Tour Mesa Verde Lavender Farm and Southwest Seed Inc. in Cortez. Lodging in Cortez.

Thursday, July 30: Alamosa

Travel from Cortez to Alamosa. Lunch and tours at the San Luis Valley Research Center. Tour Rocky Farms and Zapata Seed company. Lodging in Alamosa.

Friday, July 30: Return to Fort Collins

Travel from Alamosa to Fort Collins. Our time together concludes in Fort Collins.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Free participation (USDA-funded)
- Participate in CSU's Green School curriculum (\$545 value)
- CEUs (college credit pending)
- Optional week-long CO Ag field trip (all lodging, tours, and meals included)
- Connection to CSU faculty, Extension, and industry
- Long-term impact for you and your students

WHO SHOULD APPLY

- Colorado high school agriculture teachers
- Educators serving rural and high-minority communities
- Teachers interested in plant science, horticulture, and dual-enrollment pathways



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