## 2009-10 Agricultural & Rural Youth Grant

<u>Grant Overview</u>: The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is requesting proposals related to the 2009-10 Agricultural & Rural Youth Grant. The purpose of the grant is to fund projects that increase the knowledge and awareness of agricultural and rural issues in Pennsylvania, in particular, among the youth of Pennsylvania.

Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria: relevance to agricultural or rural issues; innovation of the project; the scope of the project and the number of people served; the value to the community that the project will deliver; availability of matching funding (if applicable); the projected impact on Pennsylvania youth.

A teacher at Sugar Grove Elementary School is interested in pursuing a direct grant for a student project relating to agriculture in the area.

Amount of Award: Up to \$2,500.00 in direct grants, or up to \$10,000 in matching grants.

<u>Due Date/Notification of Award</u>: Due October 31, 2009. Notification date is unclear.

<u>Alternatives if not Awarded</u>: The project will not take place without the grant funding.

WCSD Resources Required: Unknown.

<u>Administrative Recommendation</u>: The Board of Directors instructs the district administration to work with interested district buildings in developing an appropriate project for the PA Department of Agriculture's Agricultural & Rural Youth Grant for 2009-10.