APPLICATION FORM

AgForce Queensland takes part in a number of local, regional and state events and is currently developing a register of volunteers who would like to champion the cause in informing children and the general public about our great rural industries and where our food and fibre comes from.

Many producers have expressed an interest in helping build on the AgForce “Every Family Needs a Farmer” advertising campaign which aims to help bridge the city/country divide. The Rural Champion Volunteer program will establish a database of people who wish to help at various events held throughout the State.

There are many ways in which you can help. For example:
- You may wish to help man an AgForce stand at your local show where you can talk to people about rural industries and the role of AgForce
- You could be available to speak to school children at a local school if they are looking for someone to talk about the rural industry, EFNAF issues or where our food and fibre comes from
- You could be involved at events focusing on promoting careers in rural industries such as a school talk with the AgForce School to Industry Liaison Officer, holding a careers stand at your local high school or hosting a high school careers education bus tour of local rural industries on your property
- You could take part in Ad-Ed presentations – regional events aimed to educate primary school aged children about the rural industries and where our food and fibre comes from
- You could be involved in the MEATing Centre, held at the Brisbane Exhibition each year where a large number of volunteers are needed to help with educational activities

If you would like to be involved in any of these events please indicate your interest on the application form attached. You will be contacted closer to the time when certain events are on to see if you are available to help.

Each Rural Champion will be supplied with a resource kit containing fact sheets and other information, a cap, name tag and other items as required. When attending events, the program will cover all entrance fees applicable and lunch costs (if required).

We are also hoping that from time to time we can run various “how to” workshops to help you with your presentations.

We look forward to your valuable support.

John Cotter
AgForce President
AgForce “Rural Champion” Volunteer program  
~ Expression of interest to register as a Volunteer ~

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When and how is the best means to contact you? _________________________________

What experience have you had in Rural industries?
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Industry that you represent (eg beef, grain, wool etc): ____________________________

Do you currently have a Blue Card issued by Department of Child Safety?
☐ Yes ☐ No

- If No, would you be willing to apply for one through AgForce? (no charge)

Please note that in order to fulfil the AgForce Child Protection Risk Management Policy required by the Department of Child Safety, all Rural Champion Volunteers attending events associated with children will be required to hold a Blue Card. Some events however do not involve working with children directly and therefore Volunteers may opt to attend only these events.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Please list two (2) Referees and their contact details:
1. Name: ____________________________ Contact: ____________________________
2. Name: ____________________________ Contact: ____________________________

Events you may be interested in participating in:
Please tick an event if you are interested in helping.
Please note for events longer than 1 day a roster system will be developed where you can nominate for a day/shift that suits you. For classroom presentations and Ag-Ed events AgForce will assist you with presentation outlines, props and materials to hand out to students. We will also endeavour to team you up with an experienced mentor until you feel confident to present on your own should you request this.