



Connecticut Agricultural Science and Technology Education Program Application for Student Admission

Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE) programs serve secondary students in full- and shared-time programs. Each program is located at a comprehensive high school with the exception of Bridgeport Regional Aquaculture Science and Technology Education Center, which has its own independent facility. The ASTE programs prepare students for college and careers in animal science, agribusiness, agricultural mechanics, aquaculture, biotechnology, food science, marine technology, natural resources, and plant science (not all ASTE centers offer all the afore mentioned programs). The ASTE programs incorporate a hands-on, active curriculum that integrates subject area skills and knowledge, applied skills in the core subjects of mathematics, science and English/Language Arts while incorporating leadership skills and work-based learning experiences through the National FFA Organization and supervised agriculture experiences.

INSTRUCTIONS

Any person who has completed the eighth grade is eligible to be considered for admission to an Agricultural Science and Technology Education Program. You and your legal guardian must complete this application with the appropriate signatures and return it to your school counselor so that the school section may be completed.

Student Applicant Name: _____ **Grade Level:** _____

Current School Attending: _____

Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE) Center student is applying to attend. Please refer to Appendix A for the center your town has chosen for agriculture education.

Name of ASTE Center: _____

Agriculture Pathway. Please note: (Not all agriculture centers offer all pathways. Refer to your ASTE Center's web page for more information.)

Numerically rank the following pathways 1 through 8 based on your preference of study. Write "1" in the blank next to the pathway that is your most desired selection; write "2" in the blank next to your second desired area of study; and continue with writing "3" for your third selection and so forth. If you are not interested in a pathway place a "0" in the space provided.

___ Plant Science (greenhouse, floral design, landscape design)

___ Animal Science (veterinary science, livestock, horses, companion pets)

___ Aquaculture (fish production, marine biology, aquaponics)

___ Agriculture Mechanics (tractors, engines, wood working, machining, welding)

___ Biotechnology (genetics, microbiology, DNA work)

___ Food Science (food safety, food handling, product development, nutrition)

___ Marine Technology (marine construction, marine mechanics, ocean engineering, vessel operations)

___ Natural Resources/Environmental Science (ecology, forestry, conservation, wildlife, water protection)

Applicant Personal Information

Full Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Gender: Female Male Not Revealed **Birthdate:** ____/____/____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Residence Address: _____
(Street Number and Name, Apartment Number)

_____, _____
(City/Town) (State) (Zip Code)

Mailing Address: (Check if same as residence address)

(Street Number and Name, Apartment Number)

_____, _____
(City/Town) (State) (Zip Code)

Legal Guardian Name: _____
(Last) (First)

Legal Guardian Address: _____
(If different from applicant) (Street Number and Name, Apartment Number)

_____, _____
(City/Town) (State) (Zip Code)

Legal Guardian Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Legal Guardian E-mail: _____

Applicant's Primary Language: What language do you frequently speak at home? _____

What language is frequently spoken by parents/guardians or others living in your home?

Applicant Extracurricular Activities: To be completed by student applicant only. Please list all extracurricular activities, clubs /organizations, sports and community involvement:

Activity	Describe Involvement & Dates
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	



Instructions for Release of Records

For your child to be considered for admission to a Connecticut Agricultural Science and Technology Education program, you and your child must complete this application with the appropriate signatures and return it to your school counselor, principal or teacher. Your school counselor will complete the sending school section of this application and forward your application, transcript of grades, attendance and discipline infractions to the appropriate ASTE Center (see Appendix A). Incomplete applications will not be processed. Admission is contingent upon successful completion of Grade 8 and final receipt of all records.

Academic Information to be included

Beginning Grade 9 Admission: Attach grade 7 final report card, grade 8 current completed marking period information (transcript), attendance, discipline record, and most recent norm referenced screening data for numeracy and literacy including scaled scores as available.

Mid-year Grade 9 Admission: Attach grade 8 final report card, attendance, discipline record and most recent norm referenced screening data for numeracy and literacy as available.

Grades 10, 11, 12 Admission: Contact the agricultural science and technology education center for your town to inquire about documents to submit with the application.

504 plans and special education records will be required once applicant indicates intent to attend. Final transcript, ELL program records, full discipline record, and health records are required at the end of the year.

Applicant's Name: _____ **Grade Level** _____

Current School Attending: _____

Release of Records

I approve this application and I, the undersigned, hereby give permission for the

_____ School to release the
(Name of school)

School records of _____ to _____ for
(Student Applicant's Name) (Name of ASTE Center)

the purpose of admission/placement at that school. Such records include, but are not limited to, course grades, discipline records, standardized test results, 504 Plans, IEP and/or PPT records, psychological reports attendance records, school health records, records of extracurricular activities, and Student Success Plans.

(Signature of Legal Guardian) (Date)

By signing this release, I agree to continually to update the student's record(s) and forward all new information to the ASTE center

(Signature of Legal Guardian) (Date)

School Counseling Recommendation

The following student is applying for admission to the Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center. The following comments are important to help reach a decision on admission to the program. Thank you for your time in completing the counselor recommendation.

Student's Name _____ **Town of Residence** _____

Please circle the response, in each area, that best describes the student.

Cooperation Consider willingness to work with people in various capacities, loyalty	Outstanding	Acceptable	Indifferent	Unwilling	Not observed
Initiative Consider ability to start and complete task independently, resourcefulness, assertiveness	Seeks additional tasks	Willingly does more than expected	Does assigned tasks	Needs encouragement	Not observed
Reliability Consider dependability, willingness, and consistency	Conscientious	Usually reliable	Erratic	Unreliable	Not observed
Judgement & Common Sense Consider ability and foresight in decisions in everyday situations	Sound decisions	Fair decisions	Poor results	Limited ability	Not observed
Classroom Behavior Consider reactions in various situations when stress is likely	Outstanding mature	Usually consistent	Inconsistent at times	Disruptive	Not observed
Potential for Growth Consider emotions, leadership, mannerisms and ability to lead others	Excellent	Very good	Good	Average	Below average
I recommend this student	Enthusiastically	Strongly	With reservation	Without comment	

Additional Comments:

Counselor's Printed Name _____ **Counselor's e-mail** _____ **Counselor's Phone Number** _____

Counselor's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Teacher Recommendation

The following student is applying for admission to an Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center. The following comments are important to help reach a decision on admission to the program. Thank you for your time in completing the teacher recommendation.

Student's Name _____
Town of Residence

Please circle the response, in each area, that best describes the student.

Cooperation Consider willingness to work with people in various capacities, loyalty	Outstanding	Acceptable	Indifferent	Unwilling	Not observed
Initiative Consider ability to start and complete task independently, resourcefulness, assertiveness	Seeks additional tasks	Willingly does more than expected	Does assigned tasks	Needs encouragement	Not observed
Reliability Consider dependability, willingness, and consistency	Conscientious	Usually reliable	Erratic	Unreliable	Not observed
Judgement & Common Sense Consider ability and foresight in decisions in everyday situations	Sound decisions	Fair decisions	Poor results	Limited ability	Not observed
Classroom Behavior Consider reactions in various situations when stress is likely	Outstanding mature	Usually consistent	Inconsistent at times	Disruptive	Not observed
Potential for Growth Consider emotions, leadership, mannerisms and ability to lead others	Excellent	Very good	Good	Average	Below average
I recommend this student	Enthusiastically	Strongly	With reservation	Without comment	

Additional Comments:

Teacher's Printed Name **Teacher's e-mail** **Teacher's Phone Number**

Teacher's Signature **Date**

Personal Recommendation (non-relative)

The following student is applying for admission to an Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center. The following comments are important to help reach a decision on admission to the program. Thank you for your time in completing the personal recommendation.

Student's Name _____
Town of Residence

Please circle the response, in each area, that best describes the student.

Cooperation Consider willingness to work with people in various capacities, loyalty	Outstanding	Acceptable	Indifferent	Unwilling	Not observed
Initiative Consider ability to start and complete task independently, resourcefulness, assertiveness	Seeks additional tasks	Willingly does more than expected	Does assigned tasks	Needs encouragement	Not observed
Reliability Consider dependability, willingness, and consistency	Conscientious	Usually reliable	Erratic	Unreliable	Not observed
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I recommend this student	Enthusiastically	Strongly	With reservation	Without comment	

Additional Comments:

Evaluator's Printed Name _____
Evaluator's e-mail _____
Evaluator's Phone Number

Evaluator's Signature _____
Date

Relation to Student

**AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION CENTERS
STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT**

I understand that Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE) Centers utilize the Three Circle model of Education: Classroom/Laboratory Experiences, Supervised Agricultural Experience Program (SAE) and student leadership through the FFA. While enrolled in an ASTE Center, I must be on track to graduate with my class and I will obey all rules, requirements, and commitments of the high school and Agricultural Education Program

I understand that I will keep track of my activities and out-of-school experiences in a SAE record book or an online tracker. I understand that my SAE program is conducted outside-of-class time.

I understand that, because of the nature of the program, field trips are taken often and agricultural work is done in class to prepare the student for a career and college in agriculture and related occupations. All students shall take part in and dress appropriately for these experiences.

I understand and agree to participate in this program as a member of the FFA. Class/lab work, supervised agricultural experience, and FFA participation are all essential and integral for success in my Agricultural Education program.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

By signing this document you are giving permission for your son or daughter to be videotaped and/or photographed for ASTE Center events and social media pages.

(Legal Guardian Signature)

(Date)

(Legal Guardian Printed Name)

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria (The list is in order from highest to lowest in criterion).

1. Demonstrated interest in a career in an agricultural or agricultural related field.
2. Personal meeting and/or interview with ASTE staff and/or school personnel.
3. Counselor, teacher, personal recommendations.
4. Attendance record.
5. Academic records.
6. Behavioral records.
7. Standardized assessment scores.

The Connecticut State Department of Education is committed to a policy of equal opportunity/affirmative action for all qualified persons. The Connecticut State Department of Education does not discriminate in any employment practice, education program, or educational activity on the basis of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability (including, but not limited to, intellectual disability, past or present history of mental disorder, physical disability or learning disability), genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut state and/or federal nondiscrimination laws. The Connecticut State Department of Education does not unlawfully discriminate in employment and licensing against qualified persons with a prior criminal conviction. Inquiries regarding the Connecticut State Department of Education's nondiscrimination policies should be directed to: Levy Gillespie, Equal Employment Opportunity Director/Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator, Connecticut State Department of Education, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 607, Hartford, CT 06103, 860-807-2071, Levy.Gillespie@ct.gov.

Appendix A

List of Agricultural Science and Technology Education Centers and Sending Towns.

Directions: Find your town under the Town column. The name of the Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center on the adjacent column is the school name that you place on page one of the application.

Town	Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center	Town	Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center
A		C	
Andover	Lebanon ASTE	Cromwell	Middletown ASTE
Ansonia	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE	D	
Ashford	Region 19 ASTE	Danbury	Region 14 ASTE
Avon	Suffield ASTE	Darien	
B		Deep River	Middletown ASTE
Barkhamsted	Region 7 ASTE	Derby	Stamford ASTE
Beacon Falls	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE	Durham	Middletown ASTE
Berlin	Southington ASTE	E	
Bethany	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE	East Granby	Bloomfield & Suffield ASTE
Bethel	Region 14 ASTE	East Haddam	Middletown ASTE
Bethlehem	Region 14 ASTE	East Hampton	Middletown ASTE
Bloomfield	Bloomfield ASTE	East Hartford	Glastonbury ASTE
Bolton	Vernon ASTE	East Haven	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE
Bozrah	Lebanon ASTE	East Lyme	Ledyard ASTE
Branford	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE	East Windsor	Glastonbury & Vernon ASTE
Bridgeport	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE	Eastford	Killingly ASTE
Bridgewater	Region 14 ASTE	Easton	Trumbull ASTE
Bristol	Southington ASTE	Ellington	Vernon ASTE
Brookfield	Region 14	Enfield	Suffield ASTE
Brooklyn	Killingly ASTE	Essex	Middletown ASTE
Burlington	Region 6 ASTE	F	
C		Fairfield	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE
Canaan	Region 1 ASTE	Farmington	Southington ASTE
Canterbury	Killingly ASTE	Franklin	Lebanon ASTE
Canton	Suffield & Region 7 ASTE	G	
Chaplin	Lebanon ASTE	Glastonbury	Glastonbury ASTE
Cheshire	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE	Goshen	Region 6 ASTE
Chester	Middletown ASTE	Granby	Suffield ASTE
Clinton	Middletown & New Haven ASTE	Greenwich	Stamford ASTE
Colchester	Lebanon ASTE	Griswold	Killingly ASTE
Colebrook	Region 7 ASTE	Groton	Ledyard ASTE
Columbia	Lebanon & Region 19 ASTE	Guilford	Middletown, New Haven, & Wallingford ASTE
Cornwall	Region 1 ASTE	H	
Coventry	Region 19 ASTE	Haddam	Middletown ASTE

Town	Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center	Town	Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center
H		N	
Hamden	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE	New Milford	Region 14 ASTE
Hampton	Lebanon ASTE	Norfolk	Region 7 ASTE
Hartford	Bloomfield, Glastonbury & Suffield ASTE	North Branford	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE
Hartland	Suffield & Region 7 ASTE	North Canaan	Region 1 ASTE
Harwinton	Region 6 ASTE	North Haven	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE
Hebron	Glastonbury & Lebanon ASTE	North Stonington	Ledyard ASTE
K		Norwalk	Stamford ASTE
Kent	Region 1 ASTE	Norwich	Ledyard ASTE
Killingly	Killingly ASTE	O	
Killingworth	Middletown & New Haven ASTE	Old Lyme	Ledyard ASTE
L		Old Saybrook	New Haven ASTE
Lebanon	Lebanon ASTE	Orange	New Haven, Trumbull & Wallingford ASTE
Ledyard	Ledyard ASTE	Oxford	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE
Lisbon	Ledyard ASTE	P	
Litchfield	Region 6 & Region 7 ASTE	Plainfield	Killingly ASTE
Lyme	Ledyard ASTE	Plainville	Southington ASTE
M		Plymouth	Region 6 ASTE
Madison	Middletown & New Haven ASTE	Pomfret	Killingly ASTE
Manchester	Glastonbury & Vernon ASTE	Portland	Middletown ASTE
Mansfield	Region 19 ASTE	Preston	Ledyard ASTE
Marlborough	Glastonbury & Lebanon ASTE	Prospect	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE
Meriden	Wallingford ASTE	Putnam	Killingly ASTE
Middlebury	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE	R	
Middlefield	Middletown ASTE	Redding	Trumbull ASTE
Middletown	Middletown ASTE	Ridgefield	
Milford	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE	Rocky Hill	Middletown ASTE
Monroe	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE	Roxbury	Region 14 ASTE
Montville	Ledyard ASTE	S	
Morris	Region 6 ASTE	Salem	Lebanon ASTE
N		Salisbury	Region 1 ASTE
Naugatuck	Region 14 ASTE	Scotland	Lebanon ASTE
Newington	Glastonbury ASTE	Seymour	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE
Newtown	Region 14 ASTE	Sharon	Region 1 ASTE
New Britain	Southington ASTE	Shelton	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE
New Canaan	Stamford ASTE	Sherman	Region 14 ASTE
New Fairfield	Region 14 ASTE	Simsbury	Suffield ASTE
New Hartford	Region 7 ASTE	Somers	Vernon ASTE
New Haven	New Haven ASTE	South Windsor	Vernon ASTE
New London	Ledyard ASTE	Southbury	New Haven & Region 14 ASTE

Town	Agricultural Science and Technology Education Center
S	
Southington	Southington ASTE
Sprague	Lebanon ASTE
Stafford	Vernon ASTE
Stamford	Stamford ASTE
Sterling	Killingly ASTE
Stonington	Ledyard ASTE
Stratford	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE
Suffield	Suffield ASTE
T	
Thomaston	Region 6 ASTE
Thompson	Killingly ASTE
Tolland	Vernon ASTE
Torrington	Region 1, Region 6 & Region 7 ASTE
Trumbull	Bridgeport Aqua & Trumbull ASTE
U	
Union	Vernon ASTE
V	
Vernon	Vernon ASTE
Voluntown	Killingly ASTE
W	
Wallingford	Wallingford ASTE
Warren	Region 6 ASTE
Washington	Region 14 ASTE
Waterbury	Southington ASTE
Waterford	Ledyard ASTE
Watertown	Region 14 ASTE
West Hartford	Bloomfield ASTE
West Haven	New Haven & Wallingford ASTE
Westbrook	Middletown ASTE
Weston	Stamford ASTE
Westport	New Haven ASTE
Wethersfield	Glastonbury & New Haven ASTE
Willington	Region 19 ASTE
Wilton	Stamford ASTE
Winchester	Region 7 ASTE
Windham	Region 19 ASTE
Windsor	Glastonbury ASTE
Windsor Locks	Suffield ASTE
Wolcott	Southington ASTE
Woodbridge	New Haven ASTE
Woodbury	Region 14 ASTE
Woodstock	Killingly ASTE

Appendix B
Connecticut
Agricultural Science and Technology Education Centers

<p>Bloomfield High School Harris Agriscience & Technology Center 5 Huckleberry Lane Bloomfield, CT 06002 860-286-2630 ext. 1155 www.blmfld.org</p>	<p>Bridgeport Regional Aquaculture Science and Technology Education Center 60 St. Stephen Road Bridgeport, CT 06605 203-275-2926</p>	<p>Glastonbury High School Agriscience and Technology Center 330 Hubbard Street Glastonbury, CT 06033 860-652-7200 ext. 1101 https://www.glastonburyus.org/curriculum/careertechnical/agscience</p>
<p>Housatonic Valley Reg. High School Agriculture Center Regional School District 1 246 Warren Turnpike Road Falls Village, CT 06031 860-824-5123</p>	<p>Killingly High School Regional Agriculture Center 226 Putnam Pike Road Dayville, CT 06241 860-779-6675 http://www.killinglyschools.org/aged</p>	<p>Ledyard High School Reg. Agri-Science and Tech. Center 24 Gallup Hill Road Ledyard, CT 06339 860-464-9600 ext. 7128 www.ledyardagriscience.weebly.com</p>
<p>Lyman Hall High School Vernon E. Cleaves Agricultural Science and Technology Center 70 Pond Hill Road Wallingford, CT 06492-4849 203-294-5321 www.lhaged.org</p>	<p>Lyman Memorial High School Regional Agriculture Center 917 Exeter Road Lebanon, CT 06249 860-642-7759 860-642-3547, Principal</p>	<p>Middletown High School Regional Agriculture Science & Technology Center 200 LaRosa Lane Middletown, CT 06457 860-704-4599</p>
<p>Nonnewaug High School Region 14 Ellis Clark Agriscience & Technology Center 5 Minortown Road Woodbury, CT 06798 203-266-4038</p>	<p>Northwestern Regional High School Region 7 Agricultural Education Center 100 Battistoni Drive Winsted, CT 06098 860-379-9013 or 860-379-8525</p>	<p>Rockville High School Regional Agricultural Education Center 70 Loveland Hill Road Vernon, CT 06066 860-870-6050 ext. 371</p>
<p>E. O. Smith High School, Region 19 Regional Agriculture Education Center 1235 Storrs Road Storrs, CT 06268 860-487-0528</p>	<p>Sound School New Haven Regional Aquaculture Center 60 South Water Street New Haven, CT 06519 203-946-6937, Main 203-946-7106</p>	<p>Southington High School Regional Agriculture Center 720 Pleasant Street Southington, CT 06489 860-628-3229 ext. 415</p>
<p>Suffield High School Regional Agriculture Center 1060 Sheldon Street West Suffield, CT 06093 860-668-3817</p>	<p>Trumbull High School Regional Agriscience Center 536 Daniels Farm Road Trumbull, CT 06611 203-452-4203 (Dept. Head) 203-452-4200 (Ag Office) 203-452-4207 (staff)</p>	<p>Wamogo High School Regional Agriculture Center 98 Wamogo Road Litchfield, CT 06759 860-567-6649</p>
<p>Westhill High School Stamford Regional Agriscience & Technology Center 125 Roxbury Road Stamford, CT 06902 203-977-4974 (Ag office) 203-977-2747 (coordinator)</p>		