

Schedule

- 8:30.....Registration
- 8:45.....Welcome
- 9:00.....Ag Comprehensive Plan
 - Santa Rosa County Ag Facts and Data
 - Florida Ag in the Classroom
 - Implementing Florida Ag Literacy Day
- 10:45.....Q & A panel
of presenters and supporting agencies
- 11:00.....Adjourn

Supporting Agencies

Santa Rosa County FSA
6277 Dogwood Drive
Milton FL 32570
850-623-2441



Natural Resource
Conservation District
6285 Dogwood Drive
Milton Florida 32570
850-623-3229



Blackwater Soil & Water
Conservation District - SWCD
6285 Dogwood Drive
Milton Florida 32570
850-623-3229



Santa Rosa County Farm
Bureau Insurance Services
4035 Hwy 4, Jay, FL 32565
850-675-4572



Santa Rosa County Schools
“I Love Science Program”
850-983-5046



Sponsored By:

Santa Rosa County Extension



**For additional information and to
Pre-register, call by
Noon, Tuesday, March 17, 2009**

**Santa Rosa County Extension
Milton Office (850) 623-3868
Jay Office (850) 675-3107**



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**Santa Rosa
County**



**AGRICULTURE
Help
Share the Story**



Florida Ag Literacy Day

**Training & Workshop
for
Agricultural Producers,
Supporters & Volunteers
Wednesday, March 18th, 2009
8:30 am -11:00 am**

**Santa Rosa County
Extension Office, Milton**

Florida Agriculture Literacy Day

Florida Agriculture Literacy Day is a Florida Agriculture in the Classroom (FAITC) program. It is designed to support the FAITC's mission of helping teachers and students gain a better understanding of Florida Agriculture.

Each year a day is declared as Florida Agriculture Literacy Day. Florida farmers and agriculture industry employees and agriculture supporters are requested to promote **Ag Literacy Day** and volunteer as a *“classroom speaker & reader.”*

Volunteers are asked to visit elementary school classrooms and read a special book written for the event and talk with the students about the importance of Florida Agriculture.

Volunteers are encouraged to make their classroom visit and read on:

**“Florida Ag Literacy Day”
March 24, 2009***

**Santa Rosa County Schools Spring Break March 21 - 29*

However, the visit and reading can be done anytime before the end of the school year.

Ag Literacy Day Readers may schedule a visit to one or more classrooms before the end of the school year.

Santa Rosa County Extension & 4-H will assist in coordinating visits and provide educational handouts and materials. **Our goal is to:**

**Share the Story of
Santa Rosa County
Agriculture**



Florida Agriculture in the Classroom, Inc.
Agriculture Keeps Florida Green

Santa Rosa County Extension Promotes Ag Literacy Day

Agriculture is important to the economy and quality of life of Santa Rosa County. Santa Rosa County Extension Service supports the mission of the Florida Ag in the Classroom FAITC program. 4-H is the youth development program of the Santa Rosa County Extension Service. 4-H provides leadership by offering training and programs for youth and adult volunteers, including agriculture related education.

Santa Rosa County Extension and 4-H have planned a special workshop for:

Ag Literacy Day Volunteer Readers

Those who are interested in educating students and teachers about the importance of agriculture are invited to be a part of Santa Rosa County Ag Literacy Day.

Ag Literacy Day Volunteers may be:

Farmers and Ranchers
Ag Industry Employees
Ag related Government Agencies
Ag Business Employees
Farm Bureau Members
Cattlemen's Association Members
Elected and Appointed Officials
Community Leaders
Agriculture & Education College Students
School Volunteers
5th Grade "I Love Science" Volunteers
Santa Rosa County Extension Volunteers
Home and Community Educators
Master Gardeners
Master Naturalists
4-H Adult & Teen Leaders

Santa Rosa County Extension Ag Literacy Day Volunteer Workshop

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009
8:30 – 11:00 am**

**Santa Rosa County Extension Office
6263 Dogwood Drive, Milton**

Workshop Presenters include:

- **Don Salter** - Santa Rosa County Commissioner
- **Mike Donahoe** - County Extension Director
- **John Atkins** - Ag/Livestock Agent
- **Dan Mullins** - Commercial Horticulture Agent
- **Vickie Mullins** - 4-H Youth Development Agent

The workshop will provide knowledge and skills to prepare participants to be effective Ag Literacy Day Volunteers including to:

- ❖ Provide volunteers with an overview of the Agriculture Industry in Santa Rosa County.
- ❖ Provide volunteers with data about Agriculture in Santa Rosa County.
- ❖ Review Ag Literacy Day Program materials.
- ❖ Prepare volunteers to be effective “readers” to children.
- ❖ Provide tips for teaching and working with children.

**Our goal is to coordinate an
“Ag Literacy Day” program
that will reach hundreds of classrooms
and thousands of children in
Santa Rosa County.**