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History: Chapter A-V 4 as it existed on February 29, 1968 was repealed and a new chapter A-V 4 was created effective March 1, 1968.

A-V 4.01 Qualifications of instructors in vocational agriculture.

(1) Men employed as regular instructors in vocational agriculture shall be thoroughly acquainted with the practices and problems of farming through actual farm experience. (Men may be approved if they have had at least 2 years of farm experience after the age of 15.)

(2) Instructors shall have completed at least a 4-year college course in agriculture with a bachelor of science or bachelor of education degree in an institution approved for the training of vocational agricultural instructors. The college instruction shall include courses in education and agricultural education such as to give training and experience in the principles and methods of vocational agricultural instruction.

(3) Men approved in another state will be approved in Wisconsin if they meet the above standards and other legal requirements for teaching.

(4) Substitutes will be approved for summer employment if they meet the farm experience and legal requirements for teaching.

(5) The summer conference is recognized as one of the most effective means of professional improvement and shall be regularly attended by all instructors unless they are in summer school or on military leave.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1968, No. 146, eff. 3-1-68.

A-V 4.02 Young and adult farmer classes. (1) Young and adult farmer classes when conducted shall include at least 10 meetings for at least 20 hours each year. Instructors hired for full time shall conduct at least 4 such classes annually. (A year-round program with at least 15 meetings is desirable.)

(2) The period of class conducted in a 24-hour period either in or out of the classroom will be counted as one meeting.

(3) The development and supervision of farming programs, including the conduct of individual on-the-farm instruction shall be recognized as an essential part of the program of instruction for young and adult farmer classes.

(4) A preliminary report, in the case of full-time departments for young and adult farmer classes, shall be filed at the beginning of the year giving information as required by the state office.

(5) A final report shall be filed at the conclusion of each class, or, in the case of full-time departments for young and adult farmer classes, at the end of the year and not later than June 30 giving information as required by the state office.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1968, No. 146, eff. 3-1-68.

A-V 4.03 Contract, salary and travel. (1) All instructors shall be employed on a 12-months' contract. There shall not be more than a month of leave in any year except in the case of approved summer school attendance or military duties or with an approved substitute.

(2) The salary of the instructor is determined by the local board. It must be exclusive of travel and based upon the importance of 12-months' employment.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1968, No. 146, eff. 3-1-68.

A-V 4.04 Reimbursement. (1) Reimbursement is provided under the federal vocational education acts for the purpose of promoting the program of vocational agriculture. Where instructors are hired to give full time or definite part time to young and adult farmer classes, reimbursement is provided from state and federal funds at a rate of not to exceed 5/6 of the salary of such instructors for young and adult farmer instruction, exclusive of travel.

(2) Reimbursement for young and adult farmer classes will be at the rate of \$10 per meeting for classes conducted in accordance with the requirements. An additional payment of \$10 will be made for each meeting provided each class receives 40 hours of individual follow-up instruction per 10 class meetings.

(3) Reimbursement can be provided only upon that part of the salary which is actually paid for vocational agricultural instruction and upon the salaries of approved instructors.

(4) Such prorating of reimbursement will be made as is necessary to remain within the amounts of federal and state funds provided.

(5) The school shall make such reports as required by the state office.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1968, No. 146, eff. 3-1-68.

A-V 4.05 Assistance from the state board of vocational, technical and adult education. (1) Members of the state staff shall make periodic visits to assist in the continued development and evaluation of the program.

(2) In schools in which it is evident that policies discourage a reasonable tenure on the part of the instructor or the maintenance of a satisfactory program, a survey including a public hearing shall be made by the agricultural education division of the board of vocational, technical and adult education and recommendations based on the findings regarding the continued approval of the program shall be made to the state director.

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