Coordinating Event

<u>Planning Visits</u> (2-4 weeks before event)

- \Box Make a list of schools in your area.
- Determine which grades you would like to read to.
- □ Contact school by phone or email and follow protocol to visit school.
- □ Introduce yourself and tell them about Ag Literacy week and the lesson you have prepared.
- \Box Set a date and time.
- \Box Plan to spend at least 30 minutes in the classroom.
- □ Make direct contact with teacher whose class you will visiting phone, email, or visit.
- Secure accurate agriculture books.
- \Box Practice the lesson and reading the book prior to visit.

<u>Classroom Visit</u>

- Arrive 15 minutes early and check in at school office.
- □ Introduce yourself– Name and connection to agriculture.
- Ask opening questions to get students thinking about agriculture.
- Explain that your are reading and visiting to share your knowledge about agriculture for TN Ag Literacy Week.
- \Box Read the book and show pictures.
- After reading the book, ask questions, using words the student will recognize.
- Connect with students and teachers that Tennessee farmers care for and protect our animals and our environment.
- \Box Leave Teacher Survey Form for them to complete by Dec. 31st

<u>After Visit</u>

- □ Write a Thank– You Note to school or teacher
- \Box Complete the online TN Ag Literacy Week report

Resources for TN Ag Literacy Week can be found at tennesseeag.org

