Three Ring Circus Lesson Plan:

Objectives:

* Define the basis of an Agriculture Program using the 3 Circle Agriculture Education Model compared to a 3 Ring Circus.
* Identify Agriculture Educators Role as it relates to the 3 Circle Model.
* Discuss opportunities within the 3 “rings”.
* Guide students to demonstrate/explain how they would teach these 3 rings to a class.
* Explain why Ag Teachers choose this as a career

PowerPoint Slides

SLIDE 1- “What is it?”

\*Discuss the varying ways an agriculture program can be sporadic, engaging, and entertaining as students learn about the variety of topics we teach.

SLIDE 2- “That is what an Ag Program is…”

\*Relate a Three Ring Circus to the 3 Circles of the Agriculture Education Model.

 -Provide a brief explanation of each circle

\*Tie it all together with the Ag Educator being in the center of the circle with the students being the future leaders of tomorrow.

\*Split the class into three even groups.

SLIDE 3- “In your groups”

\*Pass out activity sheet, have groups/ individuals complete it.

SLIDE 4- “Combine the rings!”

\*Have each group choose a “Ringmaster” and 2 Assistants.

 -They will have to present information from their activity sheets, have them look over it quickly.

\*Have the students make the 3 rings (stand in 3 circles) and each of the 3 spokesmen step into the middle of their circle while presenting the information (ring definition, activities, and how they would teach it). You may have to move outside or into an open area in a shop for this point.

SLIDE 5- “End of the Show”

\*Back in class-

 -Summarize how the rings are: the core of what we do, important for building a strong ag program, and a basis for educators to influence the leaders of tomorrow (incorporate stories of why you do what you do-as an educator).

Questions?