

“Greatest Job on Earth” (Greatest Show On Earth circus) theme. Kids all got tickets as soon as they entered and a booklet with activities in it for them to do. We had a walkway leading them in and circus decorations everywhere.

In the booklet, I built pages around the 3 circles of Ag Ed. We used the crossword and seek and find from NAAE. The SAE pages were a contest each hour to see who could come up with the most varied list of SAE projects...the crazier the better. The FFA portion was a cornhole FFA trivia game. When they made a point they got asked an FFA question to try to double the points. Next was a map of the United States, and students had to color in the states they thought I had been to with my job to show them how much I get to travel. “Working for “Peanuts” consisted of students finding the average salary of a Missouri ag teacher and the national average. The final page gave the link to our Mo Teach Ag page and required them to find a quote about why teaching ag was the best profession.

Each of the workbook activities the students finished, they got another ticket to go into a prize drawing. Additionally, we had a selfie zone. The students had to show me where they posted the picture with #teachag22 to get a ticket. Most of them sent to our TeamReach app. Outside, kids also got a ticket if they participated in the balancing act. We had a bag of balls that had different ag teacher tasks (FFA convention, CDE practice, Farm Bureau meeting, etc). Students had to walk the 1”x4” balance beam and catch balls to show how teaching ag is a balancing act. Our principal and instructional coach both participated. So that everyone got something, we had chintzy carnival prizes they had to spin to win as they left and popcorn to munch on. We decorated the room to look like a circus (or tried to), and kids got to roam between the classroom and outside. Other teachers stopped in to help supervise, and we gave them Teach Ag supporter swag. At the end of the day, we had a live Facebook feed to award all of the prizes. These included all of the giveaways from NAAE and two Kindle Fires.