

**Letter of Interest for Appointment to the Limestone Valley RC and D Agency**

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Annette Berry  
County Clerk  
Gordon County Board of Commissioners  
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Dear Ms. Berry,

I am interested in serving as an appointee of the Gordon County Board of Commissioners on the Limestone Valley RC and D Agency. I became aware of the opening at the Commissioners' meeting last week and I inquired with Chad Steward about the position. My teaching experience in Agricultural Education as well as educational background in agriculture, soil conservation, and natural resources qualifies me for this position.

I would enjoy an opportunity to talk with you about this position.

Sincerely,



Sara Clark

Enclosure

## Sara Clark

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### Education

Doctorate of Philosophy	2012	Auburn University
Specialist in Education	1998	University of Georgia
Master of Education	1990	University of Georgia
Bachelor of Science	1985	University of Georgia
Associate of Science	1983	University of Georgia
National Board Certified	2004	

### Teaching Experience

#### **Agricultural Education Teacher** **2008 - Current**

##### **Sonoraville High School**

- ◆ Courses taught are Horticulture and Agriscience
- ◆ FFA Advisor with numerous winners in state proficiencies and area career development events
- ◆ Engage students in leadership activities such as creed speaking, public speaking, and Agriscience fair projects

#### **Agricultural Education Teacher and Young Farmer Teacher** **1999 – 2008**

##### **Southeast Whitfield High School**

- ◆ Courses taught are Horticulture, Floriculture, Landscape Design, Floral Design, and Ag. Leadership
- ◆ FFA Advisor with numerous winners in state proficiencies and area career development events
- ◆ Engaged students in leadership activities such as creed speaking, public speaking, and officer training

#### **Environmental Horticulture Teacher** **1996 - 1999**

##### **Dalton State College**

- ◆ Implemented new environmental horticulture program
- ◆ Developed curriculum for nine courses
- ◆ Recruited students from industry and local high schools

#### **Agricultural Education Teacher** **1992-1996**

##### **Gordon Central High School**

- ◆ Courses taught were Horticulture, Floriculture, Floral Design, and Landscape Design
- ◆ FFA Advisor with numerous state proficiency winners and area career development events
- ◆ Expanded facilities to include vegetable garden, landscape plantings, and nursery area

## **HONORS/AWARDS**

- ◆ National Agriscience Teacher of the Year Finalist, 2011
- ◆ Georgia Agriscience Teacher of the Year, 2011
- ◆ Sonoraville High School Teacher of the Year, 2011

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- ◆ Georgia Green Industry Association
- ◆ Georgia Vocational Agriculture Teacher Association (GVATA)
- ◆ National Vocational Agriculture Teacher Association (NVATA)
- ◆ Professional Association of Georgia Educators

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

- ◆ Farm to School Summit
- ◆ GVATA Summer Conference

## **References**

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