



I'm Thankful for a Farmer – Kristen Smith

Every meal we share begins with the hard work of a farmer. I'm Thankful for a Farmer helps children see that story in a fun and meaningful way. I'm Thankful for a Farmer is a heartwarming story that celebrates the hard work behind the food we enjoy, not just on Thanksgiving, but every day of the year. Through the words on the pages and lively illustrations, this book helps children learn where their food comes from while honoring the farmers who make it possible. It's both an educational journey and a reminder to give thanks for farmers everywhere!

It's never too early to teach kids the importance of knowing where their food comes from and to appreciate the family farms and ranches that help bring it to the table. This story sparks curiosity, gratitude and conversations teachers and students can share together.

Fun Facts:

- Georgia's top 10 commodities: broilers, eggs, beef, cotton, peanuts, timber, greenhouse, blueberries, corn, and dairy.
- Agriculture has played a dominant role in Georgia's economy for almost three centuries, beginning with the settlement by English colonists in 1733. The colony's founder, General James E. Oglethorpe, sought the advice of Native Americans on hunting and growing food.
- Agriculture contributes approximately \$91.4 billion annually to Georgia's economy.

Videos:

- AgVentures: **Fall Activities at the Farm**
- AgVentures: **Farm Chores**

Activities:

- **Farm City Week is November 18-26!** *Have your students celebrate by writing thank you letters or postcards to farmers and returning to your local Farm Bureau.*
- Lesson – **Homegrown in Your State: Fruits and Vegetables (K-2)**
- Lesson – **In a Nutshell (3-5)**
- Snack – **Sweet Potato Pie in a Bag**
- Snack – **Turkey Bacon Pinwheels**
- Coloring Page: **Thanksgiving | Thanksgiving I-Spy | Turkey**
- Bookmark: **Thanksgiving | Thanksgiving2 | Turkey**

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