



Illinois Professional Agricultural Student Organization

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MISSION

The Illinois Postsecondary Agricultural Student Organization provides opportunities for individual growth, leadership and career preparation.

VISION

PAS aspires to be the premier leadership and career development organization serving college agricultural students.

MOTTO

"Uniting Education and Industry in Agriculture." One of our main purposes is to provide an opportunity for developing leadership abilities through participation in the employment experience programs, course work and organization activities.

OUR VALUES

Developing individual leadership abilities. Promoting intellectual growth. Developing technical competencies. Fostering strong personal ethics. Encouraging life-long learning. Recognizing a synergy exists in diversity. Uniting education and Industry.

HISTORY

Twelve community college agriculture students, their advisors and guests gathered on February 28, 1974, at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield for the purpose of forming a statewide organization. Copies of the Students With Agriculture Purposes (SWAP) Constitution and By-Law were revised and developed into a state constitution and by-laws. The name of the Illinois Association of Community College Agriculturalists (IACCA) was passed unanimously. The IACCA Constitution and By-laws were officially adopted on April 19, 1974.

On February 25, 1989 at the 15th annual conference when the 16 delegates assembled, voted to change the name from IACCA to PAS so the Illinois would be aligned with the National PAS Organization.

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