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**Fwd: I Am A Rural Teacher - We Need Your Stories!**

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**ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS RURAL AND SMALL SCHOOLS**

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**I AM A RURAL TEACHER CAMPAIGN  
STATE AFFILIATE FACILITATOR**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH RURAL SCHOOLS COLLABORATIVE  
AND NATIONAL RURAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

**I Am A Rural Teacher - We Need Your Stories (and now, nominations)!**

We've made the process easier for those without Google accounts, so submit your story (or nominate someone you know!) today at [bit.ly/iaartsubmit](http://bit.ly/iaartsubmit). Feel free to contact Hailey Winkleman, the NREA Advocacy Liaison for this campaign, at [iaartcampaign@gmail.com](mailto:iaartcampaign@gmail.com) with any questions about submissions.

[Submit a Story or Nomination Here](#)

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## Easy to share - simply copy and paste.

Here's a free-social media-ready graphic to share with your network, and a copy-paste list of links to go with it. Simply right click to save the image and use the following ready-made copy for your post.

Get involved with the campaign by doing any or all of the following...

1. Submit stories at <http://bit.ly/iaartsubmit>
2. Share selfie stories by tagging IAART and using hashtag #IAAmARuralTeacher
3. Join the teacher-to-teacher discussion at <http://bit.ly/IAARTGroup>
4. Read more IAART stories at <http://bit.ly/IAART-Stories>

...and of course remember to follow @IAARTCampaign on all social media platforms to know the latest about the campaign, see our story features, and share perspectives with your community!

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?  
**HERE'S HOW.**

- 1** SUBMIT STORIES AT  
[bit.ly/iaartsubmit](https://bit.ly/iaartsubmit)
- 2** SUBMIT SELFIES USING  
[@IAARTCampaign](https://twitter.com/IAARTCampaign) / [#IAmARuralTeacher](https://twitter.com/IAmARuralTeacher)
- 3** JOIN THE TEACHER-TO-TEACHER AT  
[bit.ly/IAARTGroup](https://bit.ly/IAARTGroup)
- 4** READ IAART STORIES AT  
[bit.ly/IAARTStories](https://bit.ly/IAARTStories)



## Share your stories (and others').

The most critical aspect of the campaign is collecting stories from across the state and the nation. You can share stories - and collect them! - in a variety of ways. Share your Illinois story with us and we will pass it along to our followers through the IAART Illinois page.

In addition, the IAART national Facebook page will be sharing 10 features throughout 2020, several perspectives, and the 50 States in 50 Weeks project, all highlighting how rural looks in different states. Every share helps spread the word about this campaign!

Visit the IAART Illinois page and start sharing

50 STATES IN 50 WEEKS  
**FLORIDA**

ALSO KNOWN AS THE  
**SUNSHINE**  
STATE



**27TH**  
STATE TO JOIN  
THE UNION

**65,757**  
MILES SQUARE

FLORIDA HAS  
**66**  
RURAL AND  
SMALL SCHOOLS

**154,538**  
STUDENTS ATTEND  
A FLORIDA  
RURAL SCHOOL

50 STATES IN 50 WEEKS  
IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY

DATA FOR STUDENT POPULATION IS DRAWN FROM "RURAL SCHOOLS REPORT"  
RURAL SCHOOLS COUNT DETERMINED THROUGH CENSUS REPORTING OF DATA

Florida is our featured state this week for the 50 States in 50 Weeks project! Each week, NREA and the I Am A Rural Teacher Campaign share how vast rural America is.

Illinois is coming soon, so submit your story today.



From Florida: Read Jenny Handley's story for a great example of how to share your perspective or nomination. This is a great model of how we will be advocating for you during our feature week in April!

Read here.



**PERSPECTIVES**



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