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Dear Ms. Hirji:

Thank you for your letter regarding Agriculture for Life's Classroom Agriculture Program (CAP). I recognize the program's work in enhancing students' understanding of agriculture in Alberta and where their food comes from.

Agriculture has played a key role in Alberta's foundation, and it is important to ensure that students throughout the province have access to educational opportunities that deepen their understanding of agriculture—an economic sector that underpins our economy and sustains our daily lives.

Alberta school boards and teachers select and approve classroom resources, and I am pleased that programs like CAP are available to support student learning.

I congratulate Agriculture for Life on its 40 years of educating students through CAP. This long-time commitment, which has engaged more than 620,000 students throughout the province, is commendable. The agricultural knowledge and experience of your program's volunteers and partners provides a rich educational experience for Grades 4 and 5 students across Alberta.

I extend my best wishes for the continued success of CAP this school year and beyond.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Demetrios Nicolaides".

Demetrios Nicolaides ECA PhD
Minister of Education and Childcare