

**McGinnis Institute of Beet Sugar Technology  
Beet Sugar Agriculture School  
Thirty-second Year**

PROSPECTUS FOR THE 2024 SESSION

**Monday, July 22 – Friday, July 26, 2024**

Hilton Garden Inn Boise Downtown  
348 13<sup>th</sup> Street  
Boise, Idaho 83702

*The Beet Sugar Agriculture School is sponsored and directed by the Beet Sugar Development Foundation on behalf of the Member and Associate Member Companies. It is a self-sustaining school of agriculture technology and practice.*

**Purpose**

The purpose of the school is for students to learn about the basics of sugar beet production, as well as the latest technology and practices. The course will concentrate on, but not be exclusive to, that area of the country in which it is being held in any year. The school should increase the knowledge and heighten the awareness of its students to circumstances they may encounter in sugar beet production.

**Eligibility**

There are no educational requirements for students. However, the courses will be taught at a college level. Course materials will be made available for student study and for future information.

Students are enrolled on the proposal of regular or associate member companies of the Beet Sugar Development Foundation. The BSDF Board of Directors approved attendance of non-member company students on the following basis: *Each student must be sponsored by a member company;* in addition to the normal tuition, a surcharge of \$400 per non-member student per session will be assessed, and a letter of support from the sponsoring member company must be submitted to the BSDF office prior to registration. Space will be allocated to member company students first.

Prospective students will pay and register online. Credit cards will be accepted upon registration. Click on the link below to register. Registration closes on **Friday, May 31, 2024.**

[Ag School Registration](#)

## **Cancellation Policy**

No enrollment changes will be permitted after June 30, 2024. Any cancellation of any MIBST student enrollment received by June 30, 2024 for Ag School, is fully refundable. A fee of \$500 per student will be charged for any cancellation after June 30, 2024.

## **General Information**

*Tuition fees* –The 2024 tuition for a BSDF member company student based on single occupancy is \$2,000. A surcharge of \$400 as described under **Eligibility** will be assessed to students currently employed by a non-member company. Tuition includes lodging for five nights at the Hilton Garden Inn Boise Downtown, instructor fees, supplies, breakfast, and meals as described below. There are no tuition discounts for making other lodging arrangements.

*Meals* – Breakfast, **for students only**, is included in the school tuition and is offered at the hotel. Breakfast vouchers will be given to students at check-in. Light snacks and drinks during the morning and afternoon breaks will be available to students while class is in session. Lunch will be provided Monday through Thursday. Dinner will be provided Tuesday through Thursday. Companies should provide students with an expense account for meals, other than the above. Reasonable meals are available near the hotel.

*Hotel accommodations* – Tuition includes rooming at the Hilton Garden Inn Boise Downtown for five nights, beginning the Sunday before school starts and ending on Friday.

**2024 Hotel check-in / check-out dates (included in tuition):** Sunday, July 21 / Friday, July 26

Any additional hotel nights outside of the check-in/check-out dates listed above will be charged to the student at the daily hotel rate.

Unless other advance arrangements are made with the BSDF by the student and his/her company, all students will be housed at Hilton Garden Inn Boise Downtown, 348 S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Boise, Idaho 83702. It is imperative to let BSDF staff know **by June 26, 2024** if a student has decided not to stay at this hotel, as BSDF must inform the Hotel of the rooming list at that time. Room reservations will be made by the Beet Sugar Development Foundation for each student attending classes.

## **General Plan of Courses**

The course will concentrate on sugarbeet production. Appropriate reference materials will be provided.

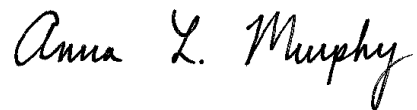
Classes will also be held at the hotel. Registration will be on Monday July 22nd, at 7:30 A.M. in the meeting room. Class will end at noon on Friday, July 26. Students are required to attend the session in full to receive a certificate of completion. *For those flying home, please do not make any travel arrangements for Friday, July 26th, before 2:30pm.*

Students will participate in a group project called "Future Piler". This project allows students to meet individuals from other cooperatives, companies, and regions, to share information and ideas and discuss lecture learnings to describe/diagram their "Future Piler". On the last day of the session, each group will present their "future piler" to the rest of the class and to a panel of judges.

Auditors will not be permitted in the classes, other than school officials, instructors and executives of Member and Associate Member Companies of BSDF. Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credits will be offered for this session.

We look forward to your attendance at Ag School, a.k.a. "Beet School" in Boise, ID in 2024!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna L. Murphy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A' and 'M'.

Anna Murphy – Ag School Director

Executive Vice President, BSDF