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diate education and workforce sector need: future agriculture, a synopsis on the IDA website said.

"The plan is to de-

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Somerset Community College (SCC) Russell Center Director, Regina Haugen expressed

Academy at the IDA's recent meeting.

In speaking about the **Kentucky Community** & Technical College System KCTS, Haugen praised local efforts.

"Education, nationally, as a whole, is kind of up in the air, but in Russell County it certainly is not," she said. "We're lucky to have the leadership we have in Mr. Ford (Russell County School Superintendent Michael A. Ford) in our principals, in our Ag faculty and in this board."

"Somerset Community College is very excited to be a partner in this endeavor, and to pull in some of our larger university partners as well," Haugen said.

Local students can take advantage of a "win-win" situation for all involved.

"Local Russell County students will have the opportunity to start as dual credit students in high school and then ultimately, if they choose, finish with

an Agriculture credential from Somerset Community College, and potentially even a four-year university through the state," Haugen told the IDA board. "We're very, very happy to be a part of that."

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The SEED Academy project has been funded through a \$376,000 Rural Development Grant, a \$1,478,973 USDA-RCAP Grant, and a \$3 million contribution from the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The RCIDA and the Russell County Board of Education also made financial contributions.

The AgriTech facility is located on 11 acres donated by the IDA at the Lake Cumberland Regional Industrial Complex Site One.

MSE of Kentucky was procured to execute the preliminary design and engineering drawings.

The project hopes to capitalize on AgriTechwhich is becoming a major sector in Kentucky's economy.

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