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AGVISION Yanco took place last week to promote agricultural careers to hundreds of students from throughout the Riverina-Murray region, including students from Gundagai High School.

It is the biggest regional NSW interactive event which promotes careers in agriculture.

Students participated in numerous interactive workshops using Yanco Agricultural High School's onsite facilities.

Aimed at promoting agricultural careers for mainly Year 9-12 students, Agvision Yanco featured local industry representatives giving students the opportunities to learn about the new skills and careers in modern agriculture, through a variety of agricultural-based workshops.

One of the event co-ordinators,

Regional Industry Education Partnerships (RIEP) Senior Project Officer Katie Friedlieb, said the school hosted 471 students and 47 teachers from 27 schools throughout the Riverina for the event.

"A total of 75 representatives from local agricultural organisations hosted 41 workshops on niche agricultural topics," she said.

"There was also over 50 sponsors and guests in attendance to support the day.

"The event was a great opportunity for students to meet industry representatives and find out more about future careers they may want to pursue."

Bringing business representatives and high school students together to learn about career pathways in agriculture and to start building the future local workforce, the success-

ful event has been beneficial for a number of students.

"I've already heard of one student following up work experience with an employer and another student pursuing a gap year opportunity in ag - both activities promoted by employers at the event," Ms Friedlieb said.

"Students and teachers loved being able to select workshops from so many different topics and get that variety outside of what they may see in their immediate community.

"Attendees also praised the venue at Yanco Agricultural High School, they said it was the perfect location with all the onsite farming facilities.

"And, they're already asking about when we'll hold it again in future."



Above: Gundagai High School students were among hundreds to participate in AgVision Yanco.



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