## **Appendix B: Educator Pre- and Post-Test**

- 1. The optimum soil pH range for blueberries is:
  - □ 4.2 to 4.5
  - □ 5.5 to 6.0
  - □ 6.0 to 6.5
  - □ 6.5 to 7.0
  - Don't know
- 2. Changes in soil pH by adding sulfur or lime generally take effect:
  - □ <3 months after application
  - □ ≈6 months after application
  - □ >12 months after application
  - Don't know
- 3. The best form of nitrogen to apply to blueberries is:
  - Nitrate
  - Nitrite
  - □ Ammonium
  - Don't know
- 4. Raspberries often display nutrient deficiency or excess symptoms in the field.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 5. Strawberries should be fertilized in spring before berry set.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 6. Optimum soil organic matter content for berry crops is:
  - □ Less than 3%
  - Greater than 3%
  - □ Soil organic matter is not a critical factor in to berry crop production
  - Don't know
- 7. The best soil for strawberry production is a well-drained sandy loam.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 8. Soil tests attempt to estimate the amount of plant-available nutrients in the soil, not the total amount of nutrients in the soil.

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- □ True
- □ False
- Don't know
- 9. Clays and soils high in organic matter have higher nutrient holding capacity, while sands have a lower nutrient holding capacity.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 10. Nutrient levels in berry plant tissue will always mirror nutrient levels found in soil.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 11. The recommended pH for bramble plantings (raspberries and blackberries) is:
  - □ 4.2 to 4.5
  - 5.5 to 6.0
  - □ 6.0 to 6.5
  - □ 6.5 to 7.0
  - Don't know
- 12. It is rare for a single foliar nutrient to be deficient in berry crops; often multiple deficiencies occur simultaneously.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 13. The best time to collect berry leaves for foliar analysis is:
  - □ March
  - May
  - □ July
  - December
  - Don't know
- 14. Soil tests provide accurate results for all essential mineral nutrients, while foliar analysis does

not.

- □ True
- □ False
- Don't know
- 15. Visual diagnosis of berry crop nutrient problems is accurate and precise.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 16. The recommended pH level for strawberries is:
  - □ 4.2 to 4.5

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- □ 5.5 to 6.0
- □ 6.0 to 6.5
- □ 6.5 to 7.0
- Don't know
- 17. A combination of soil testing, tissue analysis and observation of crop response is the best approach to assessing berry crop nutrient status.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 18. Soil health may be improved by frequent cultivation to improve soil drainage.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know
- 19. Characteristics of a health soil include: (check all that apply)
  - □ Good soil tilth
  - □ Sufficient depth
  - □ An excessive supply of nutrients
  - □ A small population of micro-organisms
  - Don't know
- 20. Soil and leaf samples for testing should be collected in a V- shaped sampling pattern across the entire planting.
  - □ True
  - □ False
  - Don't know