

Extension Minute ..

Robeson County

December 2023

Extension is.....

North Carolina Cooperative Extension transforms science into everyday solutions for North Carolinians through programs and partnerships focused on agriculture and food, health and nutrition, and 4-H youth development. Our mission is to extend research-based information to individuals that will improve their lives and grow our state. We are the trusted, go-to resource for connecting research and education to the communities, economies, and families of our state, creating prosperity for all North Carolinians.


Leveraging the partnership of the United States Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, our state's two land-grant universities – NC State University and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University – and our local county governments, we are positioned to identify issues, research new solutions, and transfer those results back into our local communities, translating knowledge into everyday applications.

Take Advantage of Soil Testing

Soil testing is a service provided by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) at their Agronomic Division in Raleigh that will assess the present levels of major plant nutrients, soil pH, and micronutrients. You can pick up free kits at your local Extension Center. Samples are currently \$4 per sample.


Click: [NCDA&CS](#) for more information.

Contact us for more information

 910-671-3276

 <https://robeson.ces.ncsu.edu/>

 [https://www.facebook.com/RobesonCooperative Extension](https://www.facebook.com/RobesonCooperativeExtension)

 455 Caton Road
Lumberton, NC

Upcoming Programs..

December 2023

4-H Volunteers

Have an interest in being a volunteer? We are always seeking community partners to join in on the fun to make our programs and reach more effective. Interested in working with youth, sharing your love for environmentally friendly landscapes, or hosting an on-farm demonstration? We have lots of ways to use volunteers, so contact us for more information.

Download the 4-H Now! app to see our calendar of upcoming events, read about our past events on our blog, check out our photos, see the social media, and even register for upcoming programs.

Tree Trimming and Book Dropoff:
December 17

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

To register click: [TT&BD](#)

Stream @ the Hub:

December 20, 2023

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

To register click: [stream@thehub](#)

Family and Consumer Sciences

Safe Plates for Food Managers Training Program:

Class: February 6 – 7, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Exam: February 8, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration Fee: \$135.

Check or money order Make payable to N.C. Cooperative Extension, Robeson County Center Registration and fee due by Friday, January 19, 2024

Hand Deliver to: Cooperative Extension

**O. P. Owens Agriculture Center
455 Caton Road**

Lumberton, NC 28360

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December 2023

Agriculture

Cattle Conference:

January 18 ,2023

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

To register use the following link:

<https://go.ncsu.edu/2024capefearregionalcattleconference>

Robeson and Scotland County Corn Meeting:

January 19, 2024

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Seed Swap:

January 20, 2024

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Pruning Ornamentals

January 27, 2024

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

2024 Beginner Beekeeper School

January 23, 30, February 6, 27,
and March 6,

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Two topics will be taught each night by experienced beekeepers. A fee of \$30 will be charged (due the first night of the class) which covers registration, textbook, handouts, and refreshments (please make checks payable to Robeson County Area Beekeepers Association). Class is limited to the first 30 to register, so call immediately to reserve your space at 910-671-3276.

Regional Soybean School

January 30, 2024

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.