

Extension Minute ..

Robeson County

February 2024

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

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Upcoming Programs..

February 2024

Family and Consumer Sciences

Fit N Fun

Classes are every Tuesday and Thursday starting February 20 through June 6

Click: [FitNFun](#) to register

Basket Weaving Workshop for Adults

Saturday, March 9

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Space is limited to 10 people. This class is a \$30 nonrefundable fee.

Registration deadline is February 22

Dining With Diabetes

Classes are every Wednesday during the month of March. Space is limited to 10 people. This class is \$5 each session.

Click: [DiningwithDiabetes](#) to register

4-H

Monday, February 26

Deadline for signing second and third grade teachers to register for embryology and butterflies

Tuesday, February 27

6:00 p.m.

Young Leaders 4-H Club Meeting

Monday, March 4

4:00 p.m.

Embryology and Butterfly training via Zoom (for registered teachers only)

Tuesday, March 12

5:30 p.m.

Dirty Rascals Jr. Master Gardeners 4-H Club Meeting

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.

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Field Crops

In-person training Pesticide Classes

February 27

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Soil Fumigation

February 27

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Paraquat Training

February 28

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Private Applicator V Training

February 28

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Commercial and X Training

February 29

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tri-County Cotton Meeting

Auxin Herbicide Training

February 14, 26 & March 26

All classes start at 8:30 a.m.

To register for all of these upcoming classes use the following website:

<https://go.ncsu.edu/pesticidettraining24>

Small Farm Management

2024 Beginner Beekeeper School

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

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Horticulture

Backyard Blackberries

February 27

6:00 p.m.

Click: [backyardblackberries](#) to register

Rain Barrel

March 2

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Click: [RainBarrel](#) to register

Warm Season Lawns

March 23

10:00 a.m.

Click: [warmseasonlawns](#) to register

Livestock

The Equine Law talk

March 11

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Click: [EquineLawTalk](#) to register

Download the [VIsitNCfarms](#) app to see our counties local farms, farmers market. and nurseries. This app shows all the different products and connecting locally in our own backyard.