

Extension Minute ..

Robeson County

March 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..

March 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.

4-H

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

Monday, March 4

4:00 p.m.

Dirty Rascals Jr. Master Gardeners 4-H Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 12

5:30 p.m.

Young Leaders 4-H Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 26

6:00 p.m.

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.

The Expanded Food and Nutrition Program (EFNEP) Educator of Robeson County works with limited-resource youth to teach healthy eating habits, food safety skills, and how to be more physically active. EFNEP's mission is to improve the health of limited resource youth and families with young children through practical lessons on: basic nutrition and healthy lifestyles, resource management and food safety.

Upcoming Programs..

February 2024

Field Crops

Auxin Herbicide Training

March 26

All classes start at 8:30 a.m.

To register for these classes use the following website:

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

Livestock

The Equine Law talk

March 11

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Click: [EquineLawTalk](#) to register

Cattle Market Outlook

March 28

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Click: [CMO](#) 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.

Small Farm Management

2024 Beginner Beekeeper School

March 5

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Ceover Crop and Soil Health Demonstration Day

March 28

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Transportation will be provided to this event. Limited spaces available.

This is a first come, first serve service. Registration deadline is March 25.

Click [CC&SH](#) to register.

Horticulture

Rain Barrel

March 2

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

There is a \$65 fee for this class limited to 20 participants and registration is required by Tuesday, February 27. Click [rainbarrel](#) to register.

Warm Season Lawns

March 23

10:00 a.m.

Click: [warmseasonlawns](#) to register