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4-H Youth Development
To make the best better!
Kentucky 4-H Youth Development Program

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.
Essential Elements of an Effective 4-H Experience

- Positive relationship with a caring adult
- An inclusive environment
- A safe environment
- Engagement in learning
- Opportunity for mastery
- Opportunity to see oneself as an active participant in the future
- Opportunity for self-determination
- Opportunity to value and practice service for others
Core Curriculum

- Agriculture
- Communications
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Health
- Leadership
- Natural Resources
- SET-Science, Engineering, Technology
Developing leadership and volunteer skills for community and civic engagement.

- 4-H Teen Mentors – a program/curricula guide designed to support older 4-H members in mentoring younger 4-H members will be adopted, adapted or created based on existing resources.
- Resources will be identified and available for teaching diversity/inclusivity to youth and provide training to agents on implementing these curricula (during Program Year 2015-2016)
- Citizenship Curriculum will be revised - efforts begin in fall 2015.
- New emphasis on Youth Adult Partnerships.
Engaging in discovery, exploration, and understanding in *science, engineering and technology*.

- Host National Youth Science Day (NYSD) experiments during National 4-H Week every October
- SETTeen Boards-State
- Biotechnology in-service (2015-16)
- Aerospace in-service (2015-16)
- SERIES: Fundraising For SET Programs, workshop (2015)
- Bicycle Safety-review of curriculum and in-service training
Engaging in discovery, exploration, and understanding in science, engineering and technology.

- ATV Curriculum-review and application at county level
- Automotive program to be developed for teens.
- The Carteens program will be used as a resource for developing program for safe teen driving.
- Tractor Curriculum will be reviewed with enhanced program options at county and state level.
- Small engines program will be defined and in-service training will be offered.
- Lawnmower and safety to be developed.
- Computer Technology for Kids program to be developed.
- Hour of Code Program to be piloted
- Micro-truck and Tractor Pulling Program - 2017
Enhancing **communications** skills through public speaking, demonstrations and **expressive arts**.

- State Fair Arts classes aligned with core curriculum Summer 2016
- State Fair Arts In-service Fall 2015
- Introduction of core curriculum with program plans with 6 lessons for:
  - Visual Arts 2016
  - Drama 2017
  - Music 2018
  - Dance 2019
- Written Communications Contest-Beginning 2016
- Film Making/Stop Animation Curriculum in-service Spring 2016
Adopting **healthy lifestyle choices** for overall well-being.

- Healthy Adventures for Teens In-service 2015
- Steps to a Healthy Teen In-service 2015
- Develop partnership with Southern United Dairy Association to implement Fuel Up to Play 60 -2015-2016
- Develop Healthy Living Mentor Program for county teens-2016
Creating awareness of the impact of **agriculture** on daily life and developing marketable skills for the future.

- Coordinating the adoption of a uniform Ag in the Classroom curriculum.
- Development of an ANR Workgroup to review curricular needs of Plant Sciences and Horticulture.
Practicing stewardship in natural resources.

- Develop Natural Resource Teen Board
- Participation in the National Youth Science Day (NYSD) related to environment and sustainability on an annual basis.
- NR In-service: The Dirt on Soil: Soils Education (2015-16)
Acquiring basic life skills related to family and consumer sciences.

- Child Care: Kentucky 4-H Babysitting Basics 4 Fun and 4 Profit—final edition to be available for PY 2015-16.
- Consumer & Financial Education: looking for a replacement for Consumer Savvy series
- Fashion/Grooming/Image: Revision of Fashion Magic as Project Fashion Forward—to be available for PY 2016-17
- Fashion/Grooming/Image: Addition of Laundry Knowhow—expected to be available in PY 2017-18
- Workforce Preparation—to be replaced or revised.
- Paying for College—Webinar 2016
Acquiring basic life skills related to family and consumer sciences.

- Food Preparation & Nutrition: looking for a replacement for Fantastic Foods Series
  - Food Science: What’s on Your Plate—available 2015-16 if approved by committee.
  - Cooking 101-401—available 2015-16 if approved by committee.
  - Teen Cuisine—seeking permission to use beginning 2015-16.
  - Put It Up!—available PY 2015-16 if approved by committee.
  - Etiquette lesson plans—available PY 2015-16.
- Textile Science—new project Fiber to Fabric Fun—expected to be available PY 2016-17.
Empowering adults for volunteer and leadership roles in the community.

- **Kentucky Volunteer Forum**
  - February 11 – 13, 2016 Hyatt Regency Lexington & Lexington Convention Center
  - [https://4-h.ca.uky.edu/content/kentucky-volunteer-forum](https://4-h.ca.uky.edu/content/kentucky-volunteer-forum)

- **Kentucky 4-H Volunteer Orientation**
  - A series of narrated PowerPoint Presentations that orient certified and camping volunteers.
  - [http://www.ky.4honline.com](http://www.ky.4honline.com)

- **Effective Councils 101 & 102**
  - Three hour workshops, designed to orient and empower Councils to become effective, functional, goal-driven organizations.
  - Contact Ken Culp, III to schedule an Effective Councils workshop

- **Volunteer Conference of Southern States**
  - October 1 – 4, 2015 at Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, GA
  - [http://www.vcoss.weebly.com](http://www.vcoss.weebly.com)
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- **KELD (Kentucky Extension Leadership Development)**
  - Series of 20 Fact Sheets, focusing on individual and organizational leadership development
  - [http://www2.ca.uky.edu/kccl/keld.php](http://www2.ca.uky.edu/kccl/keld.php)

- **Kentucky Extension Volunteer Administration Handbook**
  - A complete, self-contained resource for Extension Professionals serving in the role of Volunteer Administrators
  - [https://4-h.ca.uky.edu/sites/4-h.ca.uky.edu/files/extension_volunteer_handbook_4_7_15.pdf](https://4-h.ca.uky.edu/sites/4-h.ca.uky.edu/files/extension_volunteer_handbook_4_7_15.pdf)

- **Volunteer Kentucky!**
  - Series of six self-contained lesson plans in community volunteer administration
  - Designed to establish Extension as the premier volunteer development resources in Kentucky
Reaching Youth Through Multiple Delivery Methods

- Organized 4-H Club
- Special Interest Group/Short-term Program
- Camping/Day Camp
- School Enrichment
- School Aged Child Care
- Instructional TV or Video
- Individual Study/Mentoring
Needs and Concerns from County

- Through input from the 4-H Advisory Councils, Teens, community groups, needs for future programs are identified.
- The needs will be prioritized at the county, district, and state level.
- State 4-H Volunteer Advisory Council and State Extension Council will prioritize.
- State 4-H specialists and agent workgroups will identify resources to address needs.
- Resources will be used for programs in the county.
Kentucky 4-H Grows

4-H’s Long-reaching Effects
Compared to other youth, 4-H’ers are:

- 4x more likely to contribute to their communities
- 2x more likely to be civically active
- 2x more likely to make healthier lifestyle choices