

Bladen County Extension Intern

Location: Bladen County, NC

Program Area: 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences

Immediate/Site Supervisor: Becky Spearman

Other Mentors and Supervisors: Matt Strickland, Row Crops Agent; Jacob Barber, Horticulture Agent; Jessie Jones, FCS Agent; Toni Newby, 4-H Agent

Position Description/Responsibilities:

The intern will get a broad learning experience in a variety of Extension programs in all areas.

- Plan and assist with 4-H summer programming, the 4-H youth livestock and poultry programs, and the 4-H Forestry Team.
- Write and submit newsletter articles, blogs, social media posts, video production, Canva and educational program planning both in-person and virtually.
- Build job skills by learning multiple areas and doing multiple jobs - planning, marketing, carrying out programs, evaluation, etc.
- Assist with planning several new programs with agents and have the opportunity to plan a program.
- Visit local farmers with agents and help identify production issues and strategize solutions will be a part of their experience.
- Assist with research trials.

Preferred Qualifications/Previous Coursework:

- Self-starter who wants to get a good feel for all the areas in Extension work
- Ability to work with various age groups
- Computer, writing, photography, social media, Canva, video and website skills
- A candidate with a strong science background would be beneficial
- Strong time management skills

Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- Learn all areas of Extension via hands-on knowledge and assist in program planning, development and carrying out the program
- Have the ability to develop programs that are individualized project successes
- Will be a team player and be in charge of organizing their schedule with agent input to meet their projected outcomes
- Will gain marketing and communication skills

Additional Information

The Bladen office is a fast-paced office environment that promotes team work between agents.