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Northwest Regional Specialized 4-H Agent

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Educational Program Focus:

- Strengthening 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology- Provide statewide leadership and support for 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology mission mandate. This includes professional development for faculty and volunteers, creating partnerships, alliances, and collaborations for reaching one million new youth through 4-H science, actively seeking funding sources for 4-H science programs, and marketing UF/IFAS Extension through the 4-H science mission mandate.
- Strengthening 4-H Programs to Reach Diverse Audiences- Provide statewide leadership and support for Access, Equity, Diversity and Affirmative Action through professional development for faculty and volunteers, working with 4-H Expansion and Review Committees to insure that county programs are in compliance with civil rights and inclusion policies, and collaborating with state staff and specialists to ensure that state level 4-H events and activities comply with civil rights and inclusion policies.
- Mentoring and Supporting 4-H Faculty- Mentor and support Extension Faculty in the Northwest district, consisting of 16 counties, with a total of sixteen full time 4-H Faculty and 4 faculty with a 25-70% 4-H assignment; assist with new 4-H faculty in-service training and orientation; serve as a liaison between county faculty, district directors, state specialists, Research Center faculty, and other partners in program development.

Work Experience

- 2 years 2008-Present Northwest Regional Specialized 4-H Agent
- 11.5 years 1999-2008 Jackson County 4-H Extension Agent

Education

- 1999 Master's Degree Ornamental Horticulture Auburn University
- 1997 Bachelor's Degree Landscape Design Auburn University