



Heather Kent

Regional Specialized 4-H Agent IV,
NW District

Profile

Innovative faculty member with extensive experience leading teams to address needs related to program planning, professional development, and resource development with an emphasis on educational technology.

Award winning scholar providing professional development for faculty, staff and volunteers to support volunteer systems at the county, district, state and national levels.

Excellent communicator who builds positive relationships with stakeholders to collaborate on a shared vision for positive change.

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4-H in the Panhandle
Blog & Social Media



Educational Programs

Developing & Supporting Volunteers- foster systems to support volunteer development through instructional design and educational technology. This includes volunteer recruitment, development, recognition, and evaluation. This includes securing more than 530K in grants and donations. Key program activities include the Virtual Volunteer Leadership Academy, Northwest Volunteer Appreciation Campaign, Volunteer Recruitment Campaign, National eVolunteerism Conference, and the National 4-H Volunteer Research and Knowledge Competency (VRKC) team.

Developing & Supporting 4-H Faculty- mentor and support faculty to implement educational programs that are client focused, agent led, and volunteer delivered. This includes needs assessment, program planning and evaluation, marketing, resource development, and fostering community collaborations.

Statewide Support for 4-H STEM & Environmental Science- provide vision and statewide leadership 4-H Science Initiative, or Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) with an environmental focus. Deliver professional development, foster partnerships, and secure funding to support county STEM and environmental science youth programming. This includes 1.2 million dollars in grants and donations in the past 5 years.

Experience

Northwest Regional Specialized 4-H Agent, Northwest
December 2008-present

Interim Associate State 4-H Program Leader, Gainesville
April 2018- August 2019

Jackson County Extension 4-H Agent
April 1999- December 2008

Professional Preparation

- PhD Instructional Systems & Learning Technology, Florida State University (2022)
- Certificate in Volunteer Administration, International Council for Certification in Volunteer Administration (2022)
- Graduate Certificate in Human Performance Technology, Florida State University (2021)
- LEAD IFAS Graduate, University of Florida (2016)
- M.S. Horticulture, Auburn University (1999)
- B.S. Horticulture, Auburn University (1997)