



Kendra Hughson

Regional Specialized Agent IV, FCS
Northwest Extension District

Profile

As an Extension Agent IV, I am co-chair of the Initiative 5 team and I am currently serving as Interim State Program Leader for Family and Consumer Sciences. In these roles I provide overall leadership to statewide Family and Consumer Sciences programs.

As a Regional Specialized Agent in the Northwest District, I mentor the county faculty and provide leadership to implementation of Family and Consumer Sciences programs in the panhandle.

I am the Principal Investigator for Florida on a multi-state USDA grant addressing mental health through the Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network in the Southern Region, branded SAGE.

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Educational Programs

Program Title: Improving Health and Wellness in the Northwest Extension District and Statewide

- Implement statewide and districtwide programs/policies in collaboration with priority work groups, including the development and implementation of FCS common measures.
- Implement health and wellness programs in collaboration with State Specialists and County Faculty. Provide leadership to the culinary action team.
- Serve as project leader on sponsored projects and developed partnerships to support FCS Extension programs, including leading Farm Resilience and Mental Health funded projects.

Program Title: Enhancing Family and Consumer Sciences Programming Through Mentoring and Professional Development

- Lead, implement, teach, and evaluate districtwide and statewide Family and Consumer Sciences programs, including serving as co-chair of Initiative 5: Empowering individuals and families to build healthy lives and achieve social and economic success.
- Mentor and support county FCS faculty in the district and throughout the state. Plan, implement, and teach professional development in-service trainings and support county faculty in developing leadership skills to advance professionally through the tenure and promotion system.

Experience

Interim State Program Leader for FCS, University of Florida, 2023-2024

Regional Specialized Agent for FCS, University of Florida, 2017-Present

Leon County Extension County Extension Director and FCS, 2012-2017

Walton County Extension FCS Agent, University of Florida, 2007-2012

Extension Educator in FCS, Michigan State University Extension, 1997-2012

Professional Preparation

Master of Arts, Western Michigan University, 2001

Bachelor of Science, Western Michigan University, 1997