



# **Marie Arick**

Liberty County Extension Director
Family & Consumer Sciences & 4-H Agent II

Northwest Extension District

#### **Profile**

As the County Extension Director (CED) of UF/IFAS Liberty County, I provide leadership for the Liberty County Extension office. I shape the overall focus and direction of UF/IFAS Extension programs in Liberty County . I work closely with the advisory committee to ensure the educational programming and opportunities for citizens is based on the needs and desires of the community to enrich the lives of the participants.

As an Agent II, and a Certified Health Education Specialist, I have an expertise in health and wellness that I infuse into both youth and adult programs.

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### **Educational Programs**

#### **Program Title: Family and Consumer Sciences**

Provide programming that promotes general wellness, food and nutrition, food safety, and community and family resource management in an effort to enhance the lives of the residents of Liberty County, the NW District, within the state of Florida, and beyond.

#### **Program Title: 4-H Volunteer and Positive Youth Development**

4-H Volunteer development seeks to recruit individuals with a passion for sharing knowledge and/or experiences with youth and train these individuals to provide positive youth education in the 4-H realm. Positive youth development consists of school enrichment programs, 4-H clubs, and day camps that provide specific educational opportunities that engage youth using the 4-H motto 'learn by doing'.

Program Title: Leadership in Liberty County and NW Ext. District

Provides leadership to the Liberty County Extension Office. I serve as a faculty mentor, support district program implementation teams, and serve on a variety of state-wide programming teams.

# **Experience**

County Extension Director and Family & Consumer Sciences and 4-H Agent, UF IFAS Liberty County, 2019 – present

Family & Consumer Sciences Agent, UF IFAS Extension, Jackson County, 2015-2018

County Coordinator and Family & Consumer Sciences Agent, Texas A & M Agrilife Extension Service, Eastland County, TX 2013-2015

Healthcare Industry, primarily Cardiology, 1995-2013

## **Professional Preparation**

Master Certificate, Public Health Essentials, Cornell University, 2023

Certified Health Education Specialist, National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, 2013

Master of Science, Mississippi State University, 2012

Bachelor of Science, Mississippi State University, 1995