

About Clemson Extension Service

Clemson University was founded in 1889 on Thomas Green Clemson's belief that education could create a better way of life for the people of South Carolina. Since its opening, the University has provided public service programs that help our citizens, communities, businesses and public agencies.

The founding fathers set up the Cooperative Extension Service through the Smith-Lever Act of 1914 to bring practical and scientific information to the farmers of each state. With a South Carolina economy that continues to be in transition, Extension provides a major focus in these areas:

- ◆ Agrisystems Productivity & Profitability
- ◆ Economic & Community Development
- ◆ Environmental Conservation
- ◆ Food Safety & Nutrition
- ◆ Youth Development & Families

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Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to people of all ages, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital or family status and is an equal opportunity employer.

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*"Putting Knowledge
to Work for
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Program Areas

Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service works to engage citizens to help build a better Chester County. Extension focuses upon disseminating research-based information in agriculture, forestry, natural resources, food safety and nutrition, economic and community development, and youth development. Visit us at at:

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or call 803-385-6181

4-H Youth Development



- ◆ 4-H staff and volunteers work together to offer 4-H educational youth programs throughout Chester County.
- ◆ 4-H offers membership and opportunities on an age appropriate basis to all youth, ages 5 – 19. Adults and teens can volunteer in a variety of roles to help youth learn. Teachers can involve their classes in 4-H school enrichment programs.
- ◆ The major project areas are: Agriculture, Natural Resources, Environmental Stewardship, Science, Technology, Engineering, Healthy Lifestyles, Leadership, Citizenship and Personal Development. Contact the Clemson Extension Office for a list of clubs or programs.

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Agriculture, Forestry & Natural Resources



Agriculture

Agri-systems staff help Chester County's agriculture producers compete in a global economy by providing science-based education pertaining to: Beef and Dairy Cattle, Forage Production, Fruit and Vegetables, Forestry, Wildlife, Crops (cotton, soybeans, corn, etc.), Private pesticide licensing and recertification, and Bio-Security.

Forestry and Natural Resources

Staff members provide expertise in topics ranging from forest management to water quality and watershed management to wildlife management and control.

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Horticulture

Expertise is provided in topics ranging from fruits and vegetables, landscape, turf, ornamental plants and issues related to home gardening or commercial production. Many of your home and garden questions can be easily addressed at Clemson's Home and Garden Information Center.

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Food Safety & Nutrition



A healthy diet is a vital part of a healthy lifestyle. Our nutrition agent brings educational programs to groups on nutrition, wellness, chronic disease prevention, physical activity and a healthy lifestyle. Programs are geared toward each group based on age and the specific needs of the groups. This program area also includes providing education on food safety. This includes ServSafe, a food safety course that targets school food service staff and the commercial food industry.

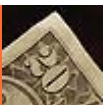
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EFNEP

EFNEP staff deliver education programs that help children, youth and young families with limited resources develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behavior needed to improve their diet, physical activity levels, and become better

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Economic & Community Development



Community engagement programs foster economic and community development that improves quality of life for all Chester County citizens. Program components include adult and youth leadership development, public issue awareness and education, community visioning and planning, Agritourism, and workforce/entrepreneurship development.

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