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## Cleveland County Extension Intern

**Location:** Cleveland County

**Program Area:** 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, Community and Rural Development

**Immediate/Site Supervisor:** Charlie Godrey, 4-H Agent

**Other mentors/supervisors:** Greg Traywick, CED; Julie Flowers, Consumer Horticulture Agent; Nancy Abasiekong, FCS Agent; Daniel Shires, Commerical Horticulture Agent; Taylor Dill, Field Crops Agent

### Position Description/Responsibilities:

The intern's primary role will be to support the Cleveland County 4-H Youth Development Program during the summer months.

Key activities include:

- Organizing and administering the 4-H Mini Garden Competition
- Planning and delivering a 4-H leadership development day camp for 8th through 11<sup>th</sup> graders
- Organizing and leading hands-on learning activities for the Foothills Farmers' Market Power of Produce Kid's Club
- Assisting with 4-H Dairy Steer Project workshops, meetings, and site visits
- Participating in 4-H Club meetings
- Assisting with County and District 4-H Activity Days competitions.

As time permits, the position will also support the Extension agriculture and FCS programs by:

- Helping administer a sanctioned Dairy Goat Show
- Assisting with on-farm research (data collection), demonstrations and field days
- Attending Extension Master Gardener Volunteer, Extension & Community Association, Cleveland County Cattlemen's Association, County Extension Advisory Council, and Foothills Farmers' Market Board meetings and supporting their related projects and activities
- Assisting with planning and delivery of foods & nutrition education programs
- Accompanying agents on farm visits.

### Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Interest in working with people (including youth)
- Responsiveness to supervision and the ability to work independently
- Dependability and good time management/organization skills
- Basic understanding of the NC State Extension organization and mission.

### Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- Gain first-hand experience in needs-based Extension programming for youth and adults (planning, implementation, evaluation, accountability) across all core program areas
- Will develop an understanding of our work with/through volunteers and by partnering with affiliated community organizations and institutions (including the county funding partner)
- Will develop an understanding of delivering exceptional customer service in the realm of Extension work
- Gain an exposure to experimental design
- Observe the interaction between agents and specialists in solving problems and addressing the needs of Extension publics

### Additional Information:

Our previous experience with summer interns is that the student benefits significantly while making major contributions to the staff and the total County Extension Program. We hope to continue those opportunities.

