

Edgecombe County Extension Intern

Location: Edgecombe County

Program Area: 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources

Immediate/Site Supervisor: Tanya Heath

Other Mentors and Supervisors: Jennifer Coltrain, Sydney Gainey, Spencer Thomas, Missy Treffer

Position Description/Responsibilities:

This intern will have the opportunity to learn all facets of agriculture from field crops, horticulture and livestock.

Intern will work with current agriculture agents to expand educational opportunities to youth and adults in addition to work in the field with identifying problem areas, learning how to identify and research solutions to problems that our clients face in the field, on the farm or at home.

Intern will also help to educate young people about agriculture and safety through the 4-H summer program.

Intern will collaborate with partnering agencies to assist with solutions and educational opportunities (i.e. Edgecombe Community College- AgriBusiness Department, NC Forest Service, Soil & Water Conservation Office, Farm Service Agency, etc.).

Intern will work with the 4-H summer program in planning, budgeting, marketing and evaluating. Intern will learn how to manage a youth program in addition to managing safety guidelines, following procedures, etc.

Intern will assist with preparing youth for district and state competitions (i.e. public speaking, grilling presentations, livestock judging, poultry judging, etc.) as needed during the summer internship.

Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Coursework in Agronomy, Animal Science or Horticulture would be preferred. Coursework in Agri-business would also be accepted.
- Previous 4-H or FFA experience would be recommended but not required.

Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- Develop skills to work independently as well be an integral part of a team when working with other agents.
- Develop soft skills needed for a dynamic workforce in the future.
- Collaboration with partners, communication skills, adaptable in a variety of experiences, as well as a gain a strong work ethic and professionalism.
- Skills developed through this experience: communication, independent work as well as teamwork, adaptability, strong work ethic, initiation and organizational skills.

Additional Information

Internship will be housed in the Edgecombe County Cooperative Extension Office and will be an important member of the Agriculture team.