

# Building Strong Families

#### IN SHELBY COUNTY



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#### **OUR FOCUS**

Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS)
Extension is committed to improving
the health and well-being of individuals
and families throughout Kentucky. Our
educational programs focus on making
healthy lifestyle choices, nurturing families,
embracing life as we age, securing financial
stability, promoting healthy homes and
communities, accessing nutritious food,
and empowering community leaders.

#### **OUR SUCCESS**

In 2018-2019, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

30,085 contacts with individuals and families in

Shelby County.

**SPOTLIGHT: SHELBY COUNTY** 

## Kids in the Kitchen



Working with young people in the kitchen is a great way to develop their self-confidence and build skills such as reading, math, and following instructions while also teaching about nutrition, handwashing, and safety. The Kids in the Kitchen program combines all these elements in a fun, two-hour event for Shelby County youth. Shelby County's FCS Extension agent, 4-H Youth Development agent, summer intern, and program assistants coordinated three sessions of Kids in the Kitchen. Students were taught food preparation skills, measuring skills, kitchen safety, and the importance of nutrition. Participants reported learning more about proper handwashing, stated that they gained valuable MyPlate nutrition information, and planned to make five or more of the healthy snacks at home for their families.

### SHELBY COUNTY'S EXTENSION PROGRAMMING COMMUNITY IMPACT

Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension professionals actively work to reach our goals by offering educational programs that serve to improve the quality of life for individuals and families in our commonwealth. Shelby County's FCS Extension programming in 2018-2019 led to the following results.



1,984
youth reached
through volunteers.



individuals made healthier eating choices.



3,598
volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers.



400
miles were walked
by program participants.



1,089
participants reported making positive behavior changes.

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