

# Building Strong Families

### IN LEE 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 2019-2020, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

125,395

direct and indirect contacts with individuals and families in Lee County.

**SPOTLIGHT: LEE COUNTY** 

# Cooking through the Calendar



In 2013, one-third of the Lee County population was considered obese, and approximately 20% of Kentucky youths from ages 10 to 17 were classified as obese. New research indicates that when kids are involved in prepping and cooking their own meals, they are more likely to make better food choices. To help address these issues, the Lee County Family and Consumer Sciences Extension along with SNAP-Ed offered Cooking through the Calendar. Participants read and interpreted the recipes, used a variety of measuring tools, matched the correct measuring tools with the various ingredients, demonstrated food safety, and proper knife skills. We originally offered the program once a week; however, because of large demand, we offered a second Cooking through the Calendar class.

# LEE 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.

Lee County's FCS Extension programming in 2019-2020 led to the following results.



3,086
youths participated in local
Extension programming



individuals made healthier eating choices



**86**pints of food were preserved



volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers



36
demonstrated safe handling of food



participants reported making positive behavior changes

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