4-H Youth Development

4-H Youth Development programs served 6,245 youth participants. Represented in this number are the following:

- 4-H's chick incubation program reached 1039, in 11 classrooms including special needs youth and 4-H Poultry club. 4-H'ers were introduced to the science of living things and lifecycle development.
- 4-H's natural resources program and science education engaged 1974 Kenton County youth and adults in classrooms, after-school, day camps and provided 632 hours of direct education.
- 118 4-H'ers participated in production agriculture projects and horse projects, successfully competing on county, district and state levels.
- Partnering with 4 school districts, Kenton 4-H planned and implemented the 4-H Reality Store for 1151 students; 76 volunteers were involved.
- 223 adult volunteers were involved in educational programs, training opportunities, councils and committees directing local youth programs.
- 261 youth participated in overnight camp and 16 summer day camp programs, including geology, entomology, photography, art and health.
- School clubs met 632 times including 1788 youth participants. Clubs focused on Natural Resources, Kentucky culture, nutrition and consumer education.
- 475 youth participated in consumer and financial education programs where they learned to “Think before they buy.”
- Instructed 479 youth in healthy food choices, food safety, physical activity and anti-bullying.
- 725 youth participated in Family and Consumer Science programs like sewing, needlework, fashion, and babysitting.
- 900 Kenton County youth engaged in public speaking and demonstrations; 120 advanced to the County Communication Event; 15 advanced to the Multi-County Communication Event; and 10 participants advanced to the state level.
- 280 middle school youth participated in “Step Up to Leadership” school enrichment programs.

Agriculture and Horticulture

- The past year has seen a great deal of dissemination of information on a lot of different agriculture topics. Last year our classes focused on beef production, pasture renovation, soils, and water quality.
- As part of the focus on agriculture watersheds, this year we are extending into forestry management. A community research project of land owners along the Licking River indicated the need for more education to prevent erosion and other best management practices preventing runoff.
- The farm tour drew several thousand visitors last year and interest continues to grow.
- Administration of the County Agriculture Improvement Program funds from the Cooperative Extension office resulted in the education of more than 45 farmers and distribution of nearly $48,000 to the local farms.
- Community support was given to the Northern Kentucky Cattle Association, Northern Kentucky Horse Network, Ag Eco Committee of Kenton County, and Banklick Watershed Council.
- Kenton County Extension Horticulture has had a fruitful year! Hundreds of residents of all ages attended classes, workshops and demonstrations on many aspects of gardening, plants, and the environment. Residents...
learned how to graft apple trees, grow tomatoes in containers, plant a prairie meadow, remove honeysuckle, maintain garden tools, and much more.

- More than 650 residents received specific plant-related assistance & consultations from Extension this past year.
- More than 300 residents took advantage of free soil testing to get customized fertilizer and amendment recommendations for their yards and farms.
- On Earth Day, over 2,500 flower and vegetable seed packets were given out at Kenton County libraries, to school gardens, and to other non-profit groups.
- The Outdoor Education Center’s demonstration gardens, maintained by Kenton County Extension and our Master Gardeners, grew over 2,000 pounds of produce which was donated to local food banks, and used for Extension classes and activities. Come out and see what we can do for you!

Family and Consumer Sciences

- Kenton County Extension Homemakers raised and awarded over $2500 in scholarships. Members developed a new fundraising tea, raffled a beautiful quilt made by a member, and hosted “girls day out” events to earn these monies. Members also give of their time and talent by teaching a variety of classes, including bread making, quilting, sewing, and card making.
- Weekly news articles are written on various topics of interest to families, including nutrition, finances, food safety, home care and food preparation, reaching over 30,000 in Kenton County alone.
- Classes on resume writing and interview skills were taught to job seekers looking to get back into the workforce or change professions.
- To aid individuals approaching retirement or needing to understand changes in these programs, sessions were held on Medicare and Social Security that reached 52 participants.
- With the aging population, a class on “Mental Stimulation” was taught to 25 individuals.
- The Extension Service co-sponsored the 2nd Annual Grandparents as Parents Conference, held in Covington, providing participants with rotating seminars that included topics on the following: Nurturing Families; Legal Rights; Engaging Birth Parents; Childhood Experiences; Substance Abuse; Healthy Boundaries. Follow-up monthly support group meetings throughout the year provided additional support and educational resources to over 25 families.
- “Downsizing as You Age” was taught to 84 people in Northern Kentucky teaching participants strategies for the division of assets, home organizational techniques, housing options beyond the family home, understanding pitfalls of reverse mortgages, and moving tips.
- The Kenton County Family and Consumer Sciences Agents have formed a partnership with the Life Learning Center in Covington to teach nutrition information, food safety, and stretching their food dollar. Over 38 adults who are working to rebuild their lives participated in the program.
Friday Farming Happy Hours!
Four Friday Sessions covering timely topics for small farmers
6:30-7:30 pm
Jan. 5 - “Hay, Tell Me More!”
Feb. 2 - “Livestock”
March 2 - “Environmental”
March 23 - “Down & Dirty”
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Grandparent/Relatives Raising Children Support
Fridays, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, & May 5, Noon-1 pm
Erlanger Branch, Kenton Co. Library

4-H Clover Bud Meetings
Third Wednesday of each month, 7 pm
- Elsmere Senior Center, Elsmere
- For children in school K-3

Private Pesticide Applicator Training
Wed., Jan. 17, 2-5 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

4-H Shooting Sports Club Orientation*
Tues., Jan. 16, 6 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

4-H Dog Club*
Learn to train your dog.
Thursdays, Jan. 18 & 25; February 1, 8, 15 & 22; and March 1, 6 pm
Elsmere Senior Center, Elsmere

Orchids for Beginners
Wed., Jan. 24, 1-3 pm
- Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- $7 per person fee must be paid in advance

Cooperative Extension Service Volunteer Orientation
Mon., Jan. 29, 6-8:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

4-H Bring a Buddy to Sew*
Tuesdays, Jan. 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20 & 27; and March 6 & 13 (Snow make-up day), 4-6 pm
- Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- For any youth 4-H age 9-18 and an adult buddy
- $15 fee.

Second Wind Dreams
Wed., Jan. 31, 1-2:30 pm
- Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
- Call 356-3155 to register.
- Sponsored by Kenton and Boone County Extension offices

Home Accessibility: Bedrooms, Bathrooms and Beyond
Thurs., Feb. 1, 10 am
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

4-H Livestock Forms*
Thurs., Feb. 8 & Mon., March 5, 6:30-7:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Nourishing...Your Eyes and Skin — 2-Part Program
Thurs., Feb. 8 - Eyes;
Thurs., Feb. 15 - Skin
Both sessions at 1:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Soil Testing Lunch & Learn
Wed., Feb. 21, Noon-12:45 pm
- Covington Public Library, 502 Scott St., Covington.
- Bring your own lunch.

Plan Your Vegetable Garden
Wed., Feb. 28, 6-8 pm
Covington Public Library, 502 Scott St., Covington.

Relationship Smarts: Bridging The Communication Gap with Your Teen or Tween
Wed., Feb. 28, 6-7:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Hands-on Mediterranean Cooking
2-Part Program
Wednesdays, Feb. 28 & March 7, 6-8:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- This class is for adults only.

4-H Communication Event*
Date, time & location TBA

Barf Buckets and Food Safety
Tues., March 6, 6 pm
- Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
- Call 586-6101 to register.
- Sponsored by Kenton and Boone County Extension offices.

Apple-Tree Grafting
Wed., March 14, 6-8 pm
- Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- $10 per person fee, paid in advance.

As Seen on TV! – In the Kitchen
Fri., March 16, 10 am
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Pruning Blackberries & Raspberries
Fri., March 16, 6-8 pm
- Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- Hands-on. Come dressed for weather & mud!

Yours, Mine, and Ours — Blending Families
3-Part Program
Tuesdays, March 20 & 27, and April 3, 6-7:30 pm
- March 20 – Legal Matters: Wills, beneficiaries, non-titled and titled property
- March 27 – Financial Matters: Accounts, pending plans, mingling funds
- April 3 – Communication Matters: Traditions, parenting at any age or stage, house rules, relative relations
- Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Enrichment Center, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
- Call 586-6101 to register.
- Sponsored by Kenton and Boone County Extension offices.
- This class is for adults only.

Home-based Microprocessor Training
Wed., March 21, 9 am-3 pm
- Durr Center, Marshall Rd.
- $50 registration fee includes pizza lunch
Register at https://fcs-hes.ca.uky.edu/content/homebased-microprocessor-workshop

Registration required for all classes. Some classes may require a fee.

NOTE: All checks payable to “Kenton Co. Extension District Board” unless otherwise indicated.
Visit our website at kentoncountyextension.org for complete details.
Unless otherwise indicated, contact the Kenton County Extension Office to register.

KENTON COUNTY EXTENSION CLASS SCHEDULE
WINTER/SPRING 2018
Kenton County Cooperative Extension Service

Emergency Preparedness in Record Keeping
Wed., March 28, 6-7:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Using Smartphones Safely
Thurs., April 5, 1-2 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

It’s Sew Fine Sewing Expo
3-Day Series of Workshops
April 9-11
General Butler State Park, Carrollton, KY

Social Security Questions?
Tues., April 10, 1-2:30 pm OR 6-7:30 pm
- NEW LOCATION: Boone County Enrichment Center – Lower Level
  1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
- Sponsored by Kenton and Boone County Extension offices.

Grow Flowers, Fruits & Vegetables for the Fair!
Wed., April 11, 6-8 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Selecting Small Appliances
Thurs., April 12, 1-2 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Personal Safety Awareness
Thurs., April 19, 6-7:30 pm
Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

Estate Planning Tips
Thurs., April 19, 6-7:30 pm
NEW LOCATION: Drees Building/ Ft. Mitchell Professional Building
211 Grandview Dr., 1st Floor Training Room, Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

Social Security Questions?
Estate Planning Tips

Join us at 4-H Camp! L to R front row: Willie Howard, Extension District 3 Director; Denise Donahue, Kenton Co. Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development; Celia Bergman, Kenton Co. 4-H Assistant. Back row: Lori Clark, Kenton Co. 4-H Assistant and Diane Kelley, Kenton Co. Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development.

What do You Know about Annuities?
Tues., April 24, 6-7:30 pm
NEW LOCATION: Drees Building/ Ft. Mitchell Professional Building
211 Grandview Dr., 1st Floor Training Room, Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

Earth Day Seed Give Away
Fri. & Sat., April 20 & 21
Kenton County Public Libraries. Free. Check your library branch for the exact date and time.

Hands-on Canning for Preserving Food
Tues., July 24, 9 am-3 pm
- Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Enrichment Center, Upper Level, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
- Call 856-6101 to register.
- Presented by Kenton and Boone County Extension offices.
- This class is for adults.
- $10 fee.

Hands-on Freezing and Drying the Harvest
- Thurs., Aug. 16, 9 am-Noon
  - Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Enrichment Center, Upper Level, 1955 Burlington Pike, Burlington KY
  - Call 856-6101 to register.
- OR class repeated: Tues., Aug. 21, 9 am-Noon
  - Durr Center, Marshall Rd.

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