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Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development

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College of Agricultural, Consumer & Environmental Sciences

The Extension Educator serves as a regular, full time, 12 month academic professional with primary responsibility for the development, delivery, and evaluation of educational programs supporting the mission of the University of Illinois Extension. 4-H Youth Development Educators support one of the four core Extension program areas and within that program area may focus on one or more of the following interdisciplinary initiatives: Energy and the Environment; Food Safety and Security; Economic Development and Workforce Preparedness; Family Health, Financial Security and Wellness; Youth Development. Programmatic objectives of Extension. Educators will be consistent with national and statewide initiatives considered of significant importance to residents of the state of Illinois.

Extension Educators will be expected to deliver research-based educational programs and to work within team settings that may consist of other Extension Educators, community college professionals, and faculty within and outside of the College of ACES. The establishment of professional networks as well as the development of relationships with key stakeholder groups is vital to the success of Extension Educators. Extension Educators will be expected to deliver educational programs not only within their assigned multi-county unit, but as requested, to clientele within other units.

The Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development is expected to concentrate programmatically as a Multi-County Unit Educator. This programmatic concentration includes: Provide overall leadership to the entire 4-H Youth Development Program in a multi-county unit, focusing on 4-H Clubs, 4-H Groups, and Youth Education Initiatives. Ensure program planning, program monitoring, and program evaluation are consistent with local needs and statewide priorities. Implement organizational systems and programs by teaming with Program Coordinators, Community Workers, and Volunteers who assist with program management functions and teaching roles when appropriate. Guide all program expansion and program quality processes. Educate youth about critical youth development issues. Teach and provide training and support to skilled volunteers who teach and work with youth. Have expertise in youth development; youth program development; volunteerism; equity, access, and opportunity; partnerships; and organizational systems which is shared with others through volunteer trainings and professional development for staff.

One full-time position is available.

Location: Unit 07 – Henry, Mercer, Stark, and Rock Island Counties (Position will be housed in Rock Island County)

Additional positions may become available in other locations.

This is a security-sensitive position. Comprehensive background checks, including but not limited to a criminal conviction information check, a CANTS (Child Abuse and Neglect Tracking System) check, and a review of the Registered Sex Offender List will be conducted.

