

ELLIOTT COUNTY 2023

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Facebook Pages: Elliott County 4-H and Elliott county Agriculture and Natural

Resources



Did you know...



30 American Chestnut trees were planted in Elliott County by the ag agent and 4-H/FFA members! That's nuts!



Agriculture and Natural Resources



(Presenter from the KY Division of Forestry)



(Presenter from the KY Cabinet of Energy and Environment)

In December, the Elliott County Extension Office hosted a Farm and Forest Informational event at the Elliott County Performing Arts Center. Guest speakers from NRCS, KY Division of Forestry, Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet, and the Farm Service Agency shared about programs they have available to land owners in the county.

Number of people impacted by Advisory Councils,community organizations, and other volunteers including County Ag Investment Program (CAIP), Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee, farm bureau, county fairs, festivals, etc.







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4-H Youth Development

In October, we had a group of (6) 4-Hers compete for the first time in the Win With Wood event at Robinson Forest in Jackson, KY. This group spent time practicing skills like compass and pacing, tree ID, forestry equipment and tool ID, wildlife ID, wood ID, and tree measurement! Our 4-Hers did expectionally well and came home with a total of 16 blue ribbons! Each 4-Her received at least 1 blue ribbon, with some getting multiple. Our 4-Hers also participated in the UK Forestry Field Day at Carter Caves State Park and were successful there as well.

With increasing interest in more 4-H forestry/natural resources programming, we have started a 4-H conservation club to continue doing more forestry competitions and for the kids to learn more conservation concepts. In January and February of this year, the youth in our 4-H Conservation club have learned about maple syrup production in Kentucky. We even were able to have a local maple syrup producer from our county come and talk to the kids and demonstrate how to tap a tree and

boil down sap to syrup!



Youth posing with their blue ribbons from the Win With Wood event



Boiling down maple tree sap to make maple syrup

Number of youth who demonstrated a skill that was learned or improved by participating in 4-H natural resource programming





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Family and Consumer Sciences

In November, we hosted our first-ever charcuterie board class! We had some people in the community show interest, so we decided to host a class at our office. We had so many that wanted to participate that we ended up doing 3 more classes! Shellie Hallock from The Board Room in Morehead provided all the materials and ingredients and taught the class. All the participants had a great time and we were able to reach a new audience of people coming to the extension office through this event.



Charcuterie board class participants



High school students learning how to make refrigerator pickles

Number of individuals who demonstrated safe handling and preparation and/or preservation of food

72



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Check out our other extension programs!

Agriculture and Natural Resources:

BQCA, Farmers Market, Kids Bucks, Master Loggers, Small Ruminant programs, Soil Testing, Eastern KY Hay Contest, and Plant Orders





4-H Youth Development:

Livestock club, Shooting Sports club, Beekeeping club, Homeschool club, Conservation club, Teen Leadership Academy, and 4-H Camp

Family and Consumer Sciences:

God's Pantry Food Drop, Cooking Through The Calendar, Charcuterie Board Classes, Veterans Food Boxes, Parent Nutrition Classes with Northeast, and Food Preservation Classes at the Highschool.



