

# Building Strong Families

### IN ESTILL COUNTY

#### **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

1,298
contacts with individuals and families in Estill County.

### **SPOTLIGHT: ESTILL COUNTY**

# Learning about Diabetes



Diabetes costs Kentuckians approximately \$3.85 billion annually. According to recent data, more than 13.1 percent of Kentucky adults have been diagnosed with diabetes. Nutrition is the cornerstone of diabetes management. FCS Extension helps Kentuckians manage their own disease or that of a loved one through nutrition education. As a result of diabetes programming, 300 participants reported they used a diabetes-specific meal plan to manage carbohydrate intake and increase fruit and vegetable consumption. About 212 participants took part in at least 150 minutes of physical activity each week, and 258 individuals implemented at least three healthy eating practices to help address their weight. Diabetes programming is just one of many ways that FCS Extension is making an impact in our communities.

# ESTILL 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.

Estill County's FCS Extension programming in 2018-2019 led to the following results.



**190** 

youth gained a better understanding of substance abuse.



616

participants identified healthy ways to improve their homes and communities.



30

families supplemented their diet with healthy foods they produced or preserved.



250

participants utilized access points that offered healthy foods.



in EBT, WIC, or senior benefits were redeemed

at farmers' markets.



1,248

participants reported gaining knowledge.

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