

February, 2015

Family and Consumer Sciences E-NEWSletter

"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."

-Martin Luther King, Jr

As I prepare this E-NEWSletter there is much chatter regarding school systems, funding and related issues. With that said, I will work to assist with the costs of summer professional development/technical assistance where possible. The focus of this E-NEWSletter is to share summer events, dates and FY'15 Perkins Reserve Grants for Family and Consumer Sciences. I have faith the great things you are doing will prevail in this turbulent time, but it never hurts to promote what you do to local decision makers and the community as a whole. Utilize your students as they are your best assets and a testament to your work. AND share photos and stories with me so I can share with KSDE too. Thanks for all you do!!!

FRIENDLY REMINDER: Please note, all CPPSA's are due by March 16, 2015 for the 2015-16 School year. Also, recall *Career and Community Connection is required to be mapped as a new course to 45250* and selected in this pathway submission as 22250 will no longer be used after this school year. Lastly, I will be sending out the **annual FCS survey in the March E-NEWSletter**. Please complete before leaving for the summer as it will ask for additional trainings, equipment and professional development needs you have which will be the basis for 2015-16 Reserve Perkins Grants and other workshops.

1. **Middle Level FCS Teaching Resource Coordinator Position Deadline: March 15, 2015 (5:00 p.m.)**

As a result of the popularity of our Building Healthy Families in Kansas work with DCF, we now are looking for a FCS teacher to work on the development of a Building Healthy Relationships Middle Level Teaching Resource to serve as a precursor to the Healthy Families units. This project will be under the direction of a Coordinator who will be identified by April 1st with the majority of the work being done in summer of 2015. This position comes with a \$2000 stipend and additional \$500 to conduct trainings for Kansas FCS Educators who teach middle level.

Applicants are required to have a FCS Education degree and experience teaching at the middle level. If you are interested, respond to me and I will send you the official application.

2. **UNITED ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE 2015 Registration is still open!**

Location: Wichita, KS

United Associations Conference is March 5-6, 2015 in Wichita. If you haven't registered yet, the forms can be found at www.kafcs.org. Lodging is not arranged and is up to individuals to determine on your own.

An KATFACS executive council meeting will be held March 4 at 7:00pm. If you are on a committee, ensure you obtain an committee form and send to President, Monique Litherland (litherlandm@rv337.org) and the secretary, Kayla Taylor at ktaylor479@gmail.com.

For additional information, contact: Monique Litherland, KATFACS President, 785-986-6251 ext. 123

3. **FY'15 PERKINS RESERVE GRANTS (Free money!)**

There are two opportunities for Perkins Reserve Grants available to you: (NOTE: All applications are **due March 25, 2015** to me (grandel@ksde.org):

a. FY15 Summer Professional Development

This grant of \$2000 is for attending either the June 24-27, 2015 AAFCS National Conference in Jacksonville, FL or July 4-10, 2015 National FCCLA Meeting. Only those with approved pathways are eligible. Any FCS pathway qualifies. The **grant application is due March 25, 2015** and will be awarded by March 30th. Here is the link:

<http://www.ksde.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=v0fkbOEmz1w%3d&tabid=602&portalid=0&mid=1546>

b. FY15 FCS Equipment Update

This grant of \$2000 is for purchasing three (3) simulation dolls, startup kit and training. Only those with an Early Childhood or Family and Community Services pathway are eligible. The **grant application is due March 25, 2015** and will be awarded by March 30th. Here is the link:

<http://www.ksde.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=fRPP2VBuD9k%3d&tabid=602&portalid=0&mid=1546>

4. Summer Professional Development—SAVE THE DATES

The following summer professional development opportunities are being planned. Watch for registration links soon!

May:

May 27, 2015, Wichita, KS

[STEM and FCS Connection](#)--Registration will be coming soon.

This CTE workshop will share how STEM and FCS are connected at the foundational level. In addition, participants are to bring a lesson to modify to strengthen this tie. Lessons from the following content areas will align: Early childhood—intellectual development or brain development; Nutrition; Food innovation; Baking; Food preparation; Food science; Interior Design; Apparel Design; Recycle/Redesign projects; FCCLA in the classroom and Community Service. The registration will include the resource “The STEM Guide” by Hans Meeder which will be very helpful as you learn more about STEM Education.

June:

June 3-4, 2015 Hutchinson, KS—Registration will be coming soon.

[New FCS Professional CTE Workshop](#) (repeat from summer 2014 for new FCS teachers) Registration will be coming (Expect Mini-Grants to assist with costs)

This CTE workshop is for those new to Family and Consumer Sciences through alternative means, including praxis or from industry. Those who are new graduates or returning from an absence are also eligible, but some content may not be new. This workshop will share best practices and a better understanding of what it means to teach FCS in Kansas.

June 5, 2015, Hutchinson, KS—Registration will be coming soon.

[“Next 2 New” FCS Professional](#) (Year Two attendees) CTE Workshop, June 5, 2015, Hutchinson, KS; Registration will be coming (Expect Mini-Grants to assist with costs)

This CTE workshop is for those who attended the ‘NEW FCS Professional workshop in summer ’14. The content will be built by those participating to address concerns and classroom issues they have after teaching their first year.

June 10-11, 2015 Kansas City Art Institute

[Advanced Culinary Arts Training](#); Registration will be coming soon.

(NOTE: This training is only for those who have completed the previous Culinary Academy Training.);

This workshop is being planned by the Kansas Hospitality and Restaurant Association and is for those who already have attended a previous Culinary Academy or training. The advanced skills included will indicate what needs to be taught in the upper level technical courses in the Restaurant and Event Management pathway. A beginning culinary training will be held in Fall ’15.

July:

July 13-17, 2015, Kansas State University (Register by contacting the person at the end of this section.)
[Food Production, Nutrition, and Health; Food Science; and Nutrition Science](#)

This training is being planned by post-secondary institutions of UN and KSU. Many of the concepts will align to the FCS related course competencies.

This is an introduction to the interdisciplinary, project-based multi-year curriculum that connects core content areas including math, literacy, and science into hands-on laboratory activities that have a strong career connection. This workshop will deliver Courses 1, 2, and 3, with each being a completed 90-day, high school-level curriculum that will be provided to all participating teachers. The curriculum is being designed through collaboration with scientists at University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Kansas State University. Participants will conduct hands-on laboratory activities and explore their connection to core academics and careers. Participants in this professional development activity will be expected to provide feedback about how the activities worked in their classrooms throughout the 2015-16 school year. This opportunity is open to agricultural education, family and consumer science, and science educators.

When: July 13-17, 2015 – Participants will need to be in Manhattan by 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 13, 2015.

Where: Kansas State University – Manhattan, KS

Cost: **This workshop will be provided at no cost to the teacher or the school district. All transportation costs, meals and lodging will be provided. In addition, a stipend for attending, utilizing the curriculum in your classroom and providing feedback on the curriculum will be provided (\$500-\$1000).** All participating teachers also will receive a set of classroom supplies to teach the lessons at their school (valued at approximately \$500). Graduate credit can be earned through Kansas State University for this course; arrangements to pay the tuition will need to be made by the individual seeking the credit.

For more information or to reserve your place, contact Buddy McKendree at rmckendree@ksu.edu or 334-403-3777. **This opportunity is very limited. Do not miss out, sign up today.**

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"If work is good, people come home with renewed energies for their family. And if family life is good, people come with renewed energy for work". Ellen Galinsky (CEO-- Work and Family Institute)

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