



FCS Educators: Extension and FCS Teachers Strengthening our Working Relationships and Promoting Our Profession

Patrice Powers-Barker, CFLE *(Certified Family Life Educator)*
Family and Consumer Sciences Educator
Lucas County Extension

CFAES



CFAES

Two Questions, One Suggestion

FCS Educators: Extension and FCS Teachers

- How do we strengthen our working relationship?
- How do we promote our profession?

Suggestion: Share our stories



National Council on Family Relations, 2016

Shared on social media:



February 13 at 1:46 PM · 🌐



DALLASNEWS.COM

Bring back home economics class because our kids lack basic life skills



Terra Edris and 27 others

3 Comments 19 Shares



Like



Comment



Share

CFAES

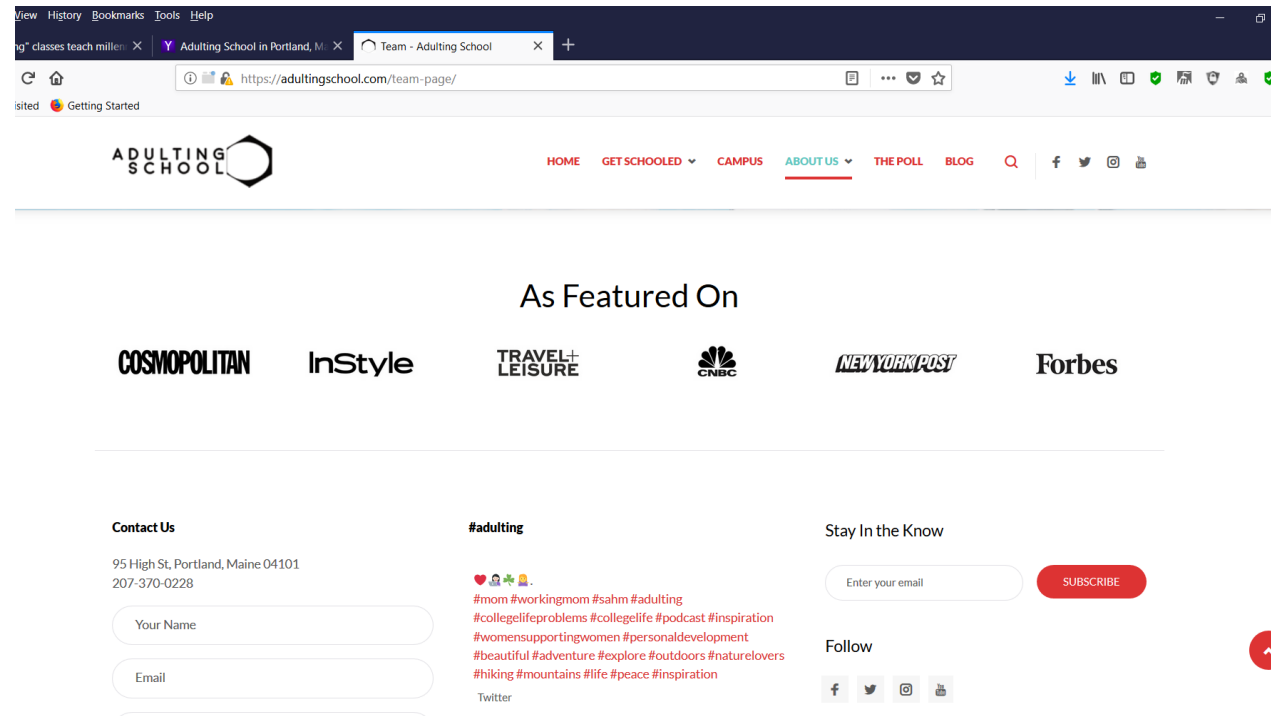
Current Popularity

“articles in the popular press support the role FCS serves in addressing pressing societal challenges by emphasizing the need for the resurgence of FCS education” (Bowers & Myers, 2018)



Current Popularity

“articles in the popular press support the role FCS serves in addressing pressing societal challenges by emphasizing the need for the resurgence of FCS education” (Bowers & Myers, 2018)



CFAES

Current Popularity

CFAES



Tweet



Miss Schoen FCS
@MissSchoen_FCS



Loved the 30-minute meal [@rachaelray](#) shared on [@GMA](#) today! However, there are still many students getting those [#lifeskills](#) in schools! It's just not called Home Ec anymore, it's Family and Consumer Sciences. [#SayYestoFCS](#)

3/28/19, 9:01 AM

3 RETWEETS 12 LIKES

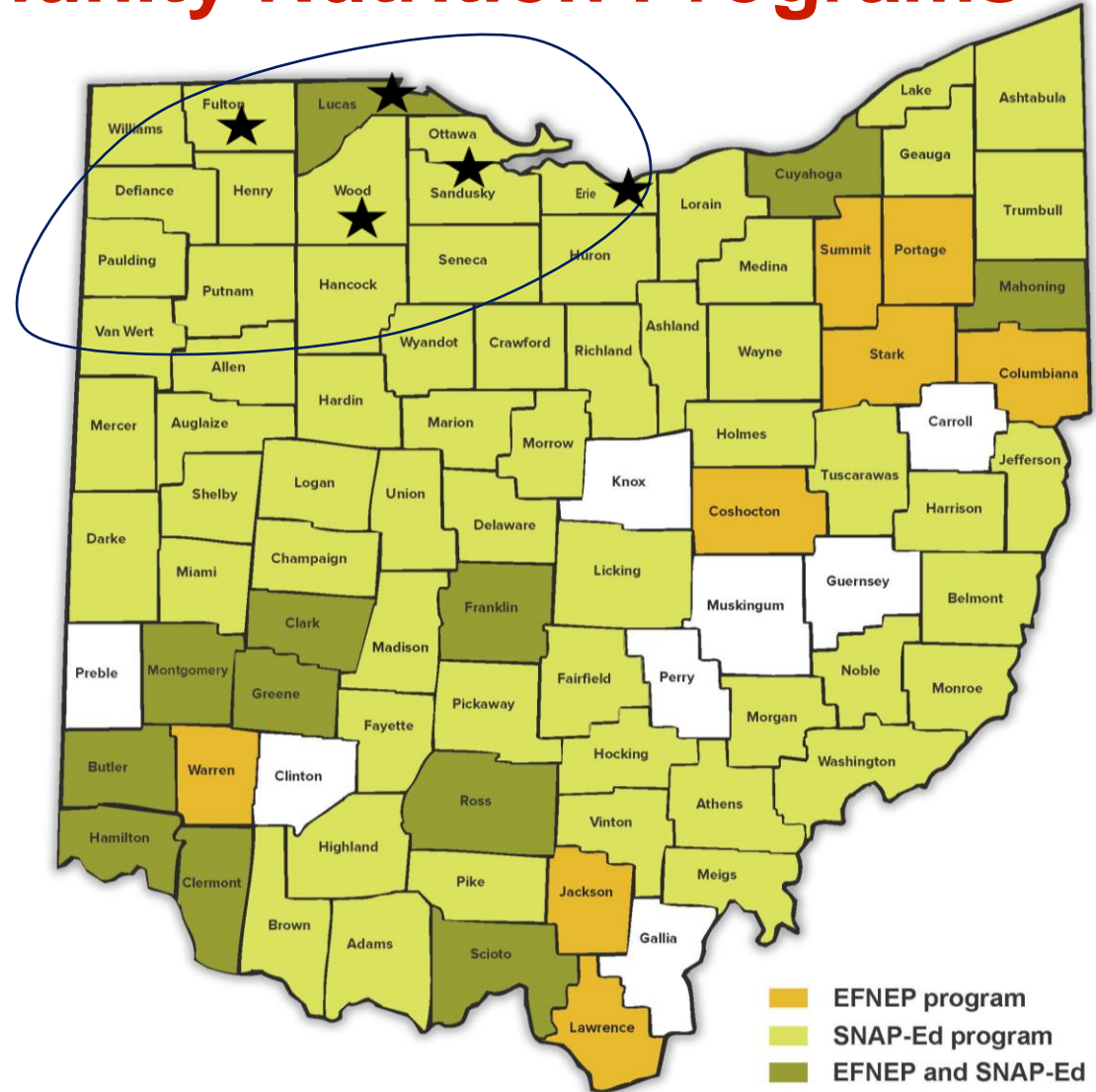
How can OSU Extension Support FCS Teachers?



CFAES

★ FCS Extension Educator

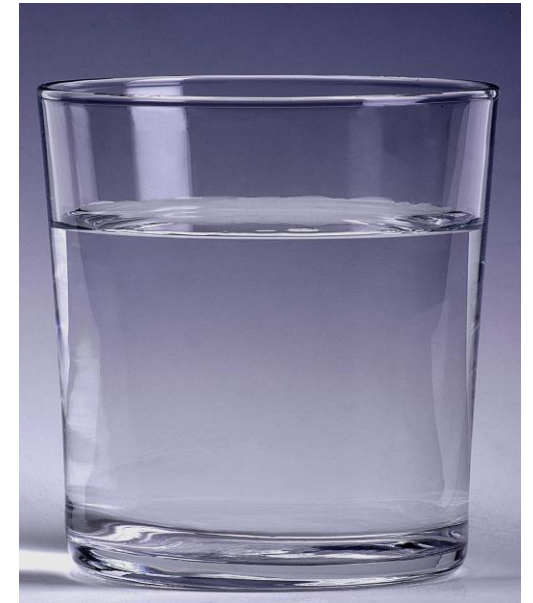
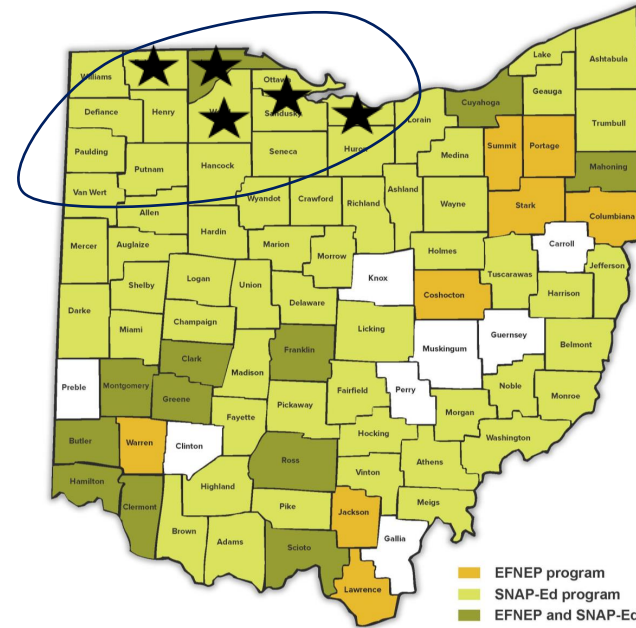
CFAES



OSU Extension Resources – Glass Half Full

★ FCS Extension Educator

- SNAP-Ed (school must be 50% or higher free and reduced lunches)
 - Additional Extension Programs for partnership like 4-H Youth Development and Agriculture and Natural Resources (Master Gardener Volunteers)
 - Online: county and state web pages, FB, Live Smart Ohio and Live Healthy Live Well
- ★ FCS Educator position Hancock County



Promoting Our Profession




CFAES


<https://www.aafcs.org>

2019

- Lucas County Facebook post
- Email to contacts at schools
- Twitter chat



Announcing the FCS Educator Day

 **Twitter Chat**


Hosted by @aafcs **#FCSedDay**

Wednesday, February 13th

6 - 7 PM EST
(Adjust for your time zone)

Join the conversation!

*In collaboration with the
FCS Educator Recruitment Team and*



CFAES

Tools Help

Lucas County Extension - Home X

https://www.facebook.com/lucascountyextension/

Lucas County Extension

Patrice

Page Inbox Events Manage Jobs Notifications 79 Insights More

**Lucas County Extension**
A CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY AND OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP

Lucas County Extension
@lucascountyextension

Home Events Reviews About Videos Photos Posts Jobs Community

**Lucas County Extension**
Published by Patrice K. Powers-Barker [?] · February 13 ·

On [#FCSedDay](#) we'd like to thank our county FCS Extension Educator, Patrice Powers-Barker. In addition to her work in Lucas County, Patrice serves on the board of the Ohio Council of Family Relations. Last year they posted an interview about her work and family. Check out the "get to know Patrice" link to read why she promotes [#FamilyLifeEducation](#) and [#SayYesToFCS](#). Do you have a story to share about your FCS Educator? (hint this includes elementary and secondary teachers as well as Extension Educators - FCS was formerly known as Home Economics)





Two Specific Days to Celebrate

- February – FCS Educator Day
- December 3rd Dine In Day, also FCS Day

“Dine In” With Us!

www.aafcs.org/FCSday

 #FCSday #healthyfamselfie



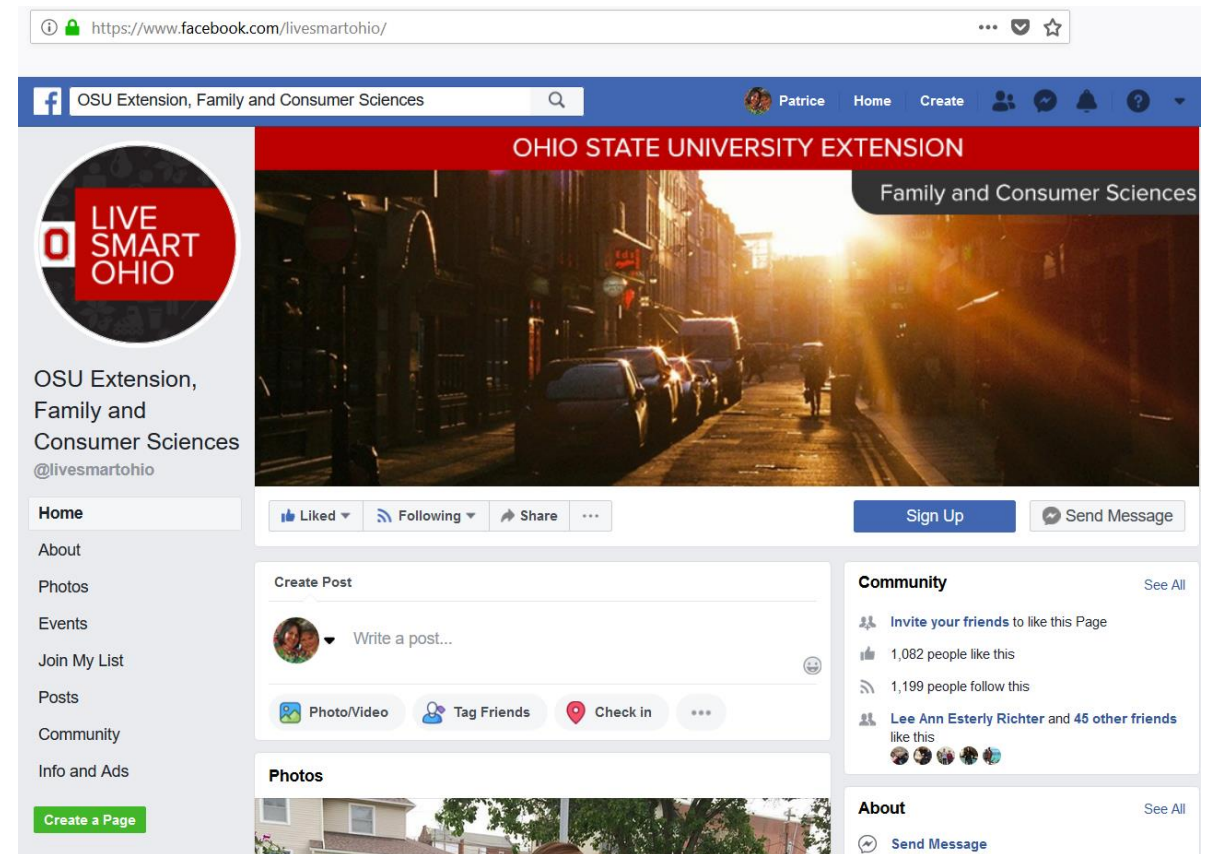
Don't limit promotions to two days

We (OSU Extension FCS and the Ohio Council on Family Relations, via Patrice) will help share your stories.

- February – FCS Educator Day
- December 3rd Dine In Day, also FCS Day

Facebook posts, (twitter), blog posts
(start today with email)

CFAES



What is the best match?

“collaboration efforts between teachers and Extension personnel depend on the capabilities to match both parties’ demand and supply of resources in a manageable geographical area, typically the county level” (Abdul-Rahman, 2013)



Thank you! “the heart and soul” of FCS



CFAES

References

Abdul-Rahman, F., Jeffcoat Bartley, S. (2013) "'Let's Talk': Collaboration between family and consumer sciences extension and teachers" Journal of Extension. <https://joe.org/joe/2013february/rb3.php>

American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences <https://www.aafcs.org/>

Bowers, J. and Myers, L. (2018) "Filling the educator pipeline: National partnership to recruit, prepare and support family and consumer sciences educators". *Techniques*. actonline.org

Eva, A. (2019). "What happens when we listen to teachers' stories. Teachers of Oakland wants to change the conversation about education by humanizing teachers. Greater Good Magazine, Science Based Insights for a Meaningful Life.

https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/what_happens_when_we_listen_to_teachers_stories?utm_source=Greater+Good+Science+Center&utm_campaign=750b06c2c4-ED_NEWSLETTER_2_26_19_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5ae73e326e-750b06c2c4-51149127

Harder, A., and Zelaya, P. (2017), "Identifying assets associated with quality extension programming at the local level" Journal of Human Sciences and Extension. https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/c8fe6e_e14c54ba208446b6ae9c0dd8e49d142c.pdf