NELSON COUNTY

NEW DAY NEWS



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Happy New Year from Nelson Extension!

Happy New Year from the Nelson County Office of Virginia Cooperative Extension. Our team includes Cindy MacRae (Administrative Assistant), Erin Harris (4-H Agent) and new Agriculture and Natural Resource Agent, Kim Bryant. We are thrilled to be serving our community through various avenues in the upcoming year. This newsletter will be posted on our website and emailed to all who would like to join our mailing list. Please complete this <u>FORM</u> to be added to the mailing list.

Did you

Free shipping for soil samples!!

To get the new year started right, we are offering free shipping of farm soil samples to the Virginia Tech Soil Testing Lab. Soil samples will be due in our office on the 15th of each month. If the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, they will be due on the first business day after the weekend or holiday.

Here's how:

- Pick up soil sample kit and Soil Sample Information Sheet from our VCE office at the Nelson Center
- · Collect soil per these instructions
 - Place soil sample and Soil Sample Information Sheet in plastic bag (quart or gallon size)
 - Deliver soil sample and Soil Sample Information Sheet to VCE office at the Nelson Center
- Wait for your results

For homeowners, we will also provide this same free shipping service. The soil test for homeowners does come with a cost of \$10 per sample, however, we will cover the cost of shipping. Call our office for additional information.



Youth In Nelson County

Many of our Nelson County Youth are involved in 4H or FFA. Would you like to know more about these programs? Please visit nelson.ext.vt.edu for information about 4-H. We will provide information about each program on our website nelson.ext.vt.edu and in our monthly newsletter.

- Nelson County 4-H overnight camp is July 21-25th this year.
 Cost is \$280. Stay tuned to find out what our theme is this year!
- Nelson County Teen Counselor applications are due by January 10! Applications can be found here.

Nelson Master Gardeners

The Master Gardeners in Nelson County is a hardworking group. We will be sharing their programs throughout the year. Please visit their website to see all they are doing. Check out their Help Desk where you can receive information about your yard and your plants. Visit www.mastergardenersofnelsoncounty.org for more information.

Program Schedule

January 11, 2025

Master Gardener Vegetable Gardening Class

February 12, 2025 Fruit School

February 19-20, 2025 VT Giving Day

Our office is located in the Nelson Center in Lovingston. Call, email or stop by.

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