



Affiliate Annual Report Form

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Please return this form by December 31st of each year to your Regional Director and a copy to the National Office.
This report should cover anything that has occurred between January 1 and December 31 of the current year.

State/Territory: Pennsylvania Date: 12/13/2022
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

The Pennsylvania affiliate held its Spring general member meeting on the Penn State University Park Campus in June 2022 and participated in professional development tours of the meats lab and the mushroom farm on campus. The second general membership meeting was held face-to-face in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Joint Council of Extension Professionals meeting in November 2022 in State College. There was a virtual option offered for members to join the meetings remotely, and a number of members did so.

In October 2022 PEAFCs members collaborated with the University of Maryland, Rutgers, and Maine Extension organizations to offer a professional development virtual session highlighting promising FCS Extension programs in the Eastern Region.

We had several award applications resulting in first place Eastern Region and National Award winners: Katie Greenawalt won first place for the Eastern Region and National Past Presidents' New Professional Award; and the weight management sub-team won a first place Eastern Region and National Team Innovation in Programming Award for The Volumetrics Weigh of Life: Weight Management Plan.

Our VP of Public Affairs coordinated the impact statements resulting in our affiliate being mentioned in Food and Nutrition for Let's Cook with Penn State Extension, in Food Safety for ServSafe, and in Community Health and Wellness for Mental Health First Aid.

Thirteen Pennsylvania members travelled to Raleigh, NC to participate in the NEAFCS Annual Session during the September 2022 event.

Several PEAFCs members are collaborating with other Eastern Region affiliates on the planning committee for the 2023 Annual Session in Providence, RI. Commitments have been received from Penn State Extension leadership for sponsorships of the 2023 Annual Session.

The affiliate welcomed three new members, and we are working to involve them in committee work with the goal of mentoring them into leadership positions in the organization. We congratulated one member on her retirement. We end the year with a total of thirty-one active members.

Two affiliate members participated in a course on parliamentary procedure to assist with smooth and proper conduct of member, board, and committee meetings.

What are your Affiliate's goals for the next 12 months?

The affiliate will send an officer to the JCEP Leadership Conference in Kansas City, MO on February 7 – 9, 2023.

The affiliate will hold a Spring Professional Development Meeting in June 2023.

Members will continue to actively participate on various planning committees for the NEAFCS National Meeting in Providence, RI in September 2023 and a delegation from the affiliate will attend.

As possible, affiliate regional directors will plan professional development experiences for members across the state and encourage members to apply for national awards.

The affiliate President, President Elect, and immediate past President will be active participants on the state JCEP team. This team will plan the 2023 state JCEP conference and foster communication between the 5 state Extension professional organizations and the state Extension leadership team.

The Executive Board will explore strategies for effective fiscal management of our affiliate's financial assets in light of declining membership and the current means of funding membership fees.

What challenges do Cooperative Extension and/or Family & Consumer Sciences pose in your state?

Extension and FCS are in a good position financially with support from the University and the state government.

To assist NEAFCS in future planning and communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS Board to address:

Declining membership in the Eastern Region has impacted future responsibilities related to annual session and the overall look of the organization. We are open to strategies and suggestions for recruitment and retention of members.