

AgrAbility and Extension – Ideas for collaboration from an ANR Extension Educator

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Learning Objectives

Reminding us of our missions

Common goals

Leverage each other's assets

Make the work easier on your colleague

Promote each other and speak highly of each other

Extension Mission

“Extension provides non-formal education and learning activities to people throughout the country — to farmers and other residents of rural communities as well as to people living in urban areas. It emphasizes taking knowledge gained through research and education and bringing it directly to the people to **create positive changes.**”

<https://www.nifa.usda.gov/about-nifa/how-we-work/extension>

AgrAbility Mission

“The vision of AgrAbility is to **enhance quality of life** for farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural workers with disabilities, so that they, their families, and their communities continue to succeed in rural America. For this target audience, “success” may be defined by many parameters, including: gainful employment in production agriculture or a related occupation; access to appropriate assistive technology needed for work and daily living activities; evidence-based information related to the treatment and rehabilitation of disabling conditions; and targeted support for family caregivers of AgrAbility customers. AgrAbility addresses a wide variety of disabling conditions in agriculture, including, but not limited to:

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AgrAbility Mission part 2

- Arthritis
- Spinal cord injuries/paralysis
- Back impairments
- Amputations
- Brain injury
- Visual impairments
- Hearing impairments
- Disabling diseases
- Cerebral palsy
- Respiratory impairments
- Head injury

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AgrAbility Mission part 3

In fulfilling this mission, AgrAbility:

- *Develops service capacity* through innovative educational programs designed to advance individual capabilities, adapt new technologies, and deliver program content through appropriate educational venues
- *Encourages networking* to facilitate information sharing, the provision of services, and funding from individuals or organizations not employed by AgrAbility
- *Provides direct services* to agricultural workers through individual consultations and other means

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We all need each others help to reach our stakeholders in our various communities.

Leveraging each other's assets

This varies in location and time and space.

Can you share assets that you can think of that can help each other?

Make the share and work easier on *yo*

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Please promote this in your counties as you see fit. This is only a save the date, but we hope to have flyers/registration out soon.

2024 Pruning Workshop

Feb 28th, 2024

Meig's Horticulture Research Farm
9101 S 100 E, Lafayette, IN 47909

This event is held in the afternoon from 1~4:30 PM EST and will include presentations on Fruit Diseases, Grape Pruning, Apple/Pear Pruning, and Bramble Pruning. Cost of attendance is \$10 at the door. Light refreshments will be provided.

Sincerely,



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Meetings on calendar

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Being Intentional and knowing we have a great resource in AgrAbility

Promote each other

Be each others' PR

References

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