

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
TEXAS EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, INC.
AND
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE**

I. PURPOSE

The Texas Extension Education Association, Inc., hereinafter referred to as TEEA, an independent, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization, supported by dues-paying members, and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, hereinafter referred to as Extension, a tax supported partner of the Federal, state and county government partnership, enter into this Memorandum of Agreement in order to clarify and enhance the respective roles and relationships involved in mutual educational efforts to strengthen individuals and families through continuing education, leadership development and community service.

TEEA and Extension are mutually supportive but are separate entities that combine the strength of volunteer leadership with the knowledge and technology of science and education.

The President of TEEA and the Extension TEEA Advisor, who is appointed by Extension Administration, shall be the liaisons between the partners.

II. TEEA Vision

We envision the Texas Extension Education Association, Inc. as Texas' most effective volunteer organization for supporting families through lifelong learning opportunities. We will strive through education to improve family and community life for all families, reaching across ethnic, age, cultural lines and including those with disabilities.

TEEA will be the catalyst for leadership development of its members and community service activities will be the medium for the expression of charitable interest and community enrichment. Opportunities for individual growth and development will be supported by TEEA for adults and 4-H youth to help them reach their full potential through educational pursuits.

We will strengthen communication among TEEA members, with other Extension clientele and related community organizations that share common goals. We will cooperate with Extension to strengthen, develop and extend adult education that improves the quality of life for Texas families and communities.

III. EXTENSION VISION

We envision Extension as Texas' most significant and effective vehicle for outreach education and community and statewide problem solving related to agriculture, the environment and practical issues impacting the life quality of Texans in the 21st century. We will be increasingly efficient through the use of advanced communications technologies. We will be a major catalyst for leveraging public and private resources through cooperative efforts and coalitions, and we will be focused on education for individual and community self-help to address critical needs. We see Extension as dedicated to fulfilling its land-grant university mandate in the context of a rapidly changing society.

IV. TERMS OF AGREEMENT


TEEA and Extension will:

- Reaffirm their commitment to a partnership in coordinated efforts to further develop and maintain an effective working relationship with extension education clubs in Texas.
- Enhance the partnership through mutual consulting and advisory roles.
- Support the research and program emphasis of each partner.
- Acknowledge the source of materials.
- Develop and implement educational programs that strengthen individuals, families, and communities.
- Educate individuals and families to develop leadership skills and to participate in public policy.
- Foster an environment that respects and values diversity.
- Promote advancement of educational programs in ways that enhance equal access and opportunity for participation in extension education programs by people from all segments of society.
- Consult with and secure consent from the other partner prior to commitment.

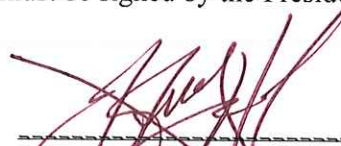
V. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Memorandum of Agreement is not a financial document and does not obligate nor require the obligation of funds. The Memorandum of Agreement should be reviewed periodically and updated to meet the needs of both partners.


Each partner reserves the right to cancel this agreement upon notification of its intention in writing within at least 60 days of the decision. Such notification must be signed by the President of TEEA or the Director of Extension.



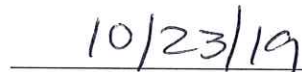
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