Ohio State University Extension
FCS Program Review

Key Questions for External Review

Does a clear and compelling vision exist for the OSU Extension Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) program? What are the priorities for the OSU Extension FCS program? How do these priorities connect with the vision for OSU Extension and CFAES? What evidence is there of alignment?

What theoretical framework guides the work of OSU Extension FCS faculty and staff?

To what degree does the OSU Extension FCS program engage with the academic departments of the Colleges of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, Education and Human Ecology, or other colleges on Ohio State campuses to enhance and advance programmatic efforts? What opportunities for collaboration should be pursued?

Do the demographic characteristics of Ohio residents engaged in OSU Extension FCS mirror the population of the state? If not, what groups are underrepresented? What strategies might be used to increase participation by those groups? How do the demographic characteristics of OSU Extension FCS personnel reflect those of the state?

How do county-based OSU Extension FCS professionals describe their role?

Do county-based OSU Extension FCS faculty and staff feel they are supported by FCS state-based faculty and staff? What specific suggestions may be offered to provide county-based FCS faculty and staff with the support they feel would strengthen the program?

Does the OSU Extension FCS program overall feel they are supported by Extension administration? CFAES? Relevant support units? The broader university?

How do current stakeholders and partners of the OSU Extension FCS program advance the goals and growth of FCS in Ohio? In what ways might each constrain attainment of goals and growth?

How can OSU Extension FCS work more effectively to increase public support?

To what degree are OSU Extension FCS program efforts aligned with others such as NEAFCS, AAFCS, National Council of Family Relations, eXtension, nonprofits and government agencies focused on FCS at the regional / national / international levels?