

**2008 South Region  
Southeast District 9  
Coastal Bend District 11  
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**Professional Development  
Opportunities**



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## 2008 Professional Development Catalog

### South Region

### Family and Consumer Sciences

<b>2007 Training</b>	<b>2007 Date</b>	<b>Required/Optional</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Contact Person</b>
Do Well Be Well	November 6-7, 2007	<b>Optional</b>	This training is conducted in College Station for agents not trained in DWBW. Contact Elaine Fries is you would like to attend.	Carol Rice Mickey Bielamowicz
BLT New Agent & Assistant Training	November 9, 2007	<b>Required</b> for new agents and assistants who have not previously participated	Conducted at Central location	Jon Perrott/Elaine Fries /Fancy Morgan
BLT Regional Assistant Training	December 5-6, 2007	<b>Required</b> for all BLT Program Assistants and Associates	Corpus Christi	Elaine Fries, Fancy Morgan
<b>2008 Training</b>	<b>2008 Date</b>			
Walk Across Texas Update Training	January 4	<b>Required</b> for agents who have a Walk Across Texas Program Plan	To be conducted via centra. The FDRM unit will send additional information	Alice Kirk & Carol Rice
Food Protection Management Certification Training	February 4-7	<b>Optional</b>	This will be conducted in College Station and is for agents who would like to become certified FPM Instructors. Contact Elaine Fries if you would like to attend.	Rebecca Dittmar
Texas Beef Council Food Demonstration Training	February 7	<b>Optional</b>	This will be conducted in College Station and will be very beneficial in providing agents with good information regarding food demonstrations.	Jenna Anding
Human Nutrition Conference	February 8	<b>Optional</b>	This will be conducted in College Station and will provide a day of outstanding nutrition education.	Jenna Anding

South Region FCS Retreat	February 11-13	<b>Required</b>	This retreat will be the primary professional development opportunity for South Region Agents in 2008.	Elaine Fries
BLT & ENP Quarterly Update	February 19	<b>Required</b>	All agents should travel to their district location to participate. (no video streaming available) Locations include College Station, Rosenberg, Corpus Christi, Weslaco. Only for Harris County ENP Staff – location is still in Houston	Jon Perrott/Elaine Fries /Fancy Morgan
Money Smart & Thrive by Five	March 26-28	<b>Optional</b>	Money Smart is series of lessons targeting “unbanked” clientele. Thrive by Five is a lesson series to teach parents how to teach their children about money by the time they are five years old. College Station	Joyce Cavanaugh
Food Preservation	April 1	<b>Optional</b>	Location TBA in South Region. Hands on training for practical experience in food preservation.	Elaine Fries
BLT Proposal Training	April 2	<b>Required</b>	All agents should plan to participate. TTVN	Jon Perrott
Cooking Well with Diabetes	April 16-17	<b>Optional</b>	This training will be conducted in College Station. You must have successfully implemented DWBW to be eligible to participate. Contact Elaine Fries if you would like to attend.	Mickey Bielamowicz
Balance Your Day with Food and Play	April 29-30	<b>Optional</b>	This training will be conducted at a central location within the South Region. It is for agents who plan to implement this program in 2008.	Alice Kirk/Sharon Robinson

BLT & ENP Quarterly Update	May 20	<b>Required</b>	All agents should travel to their district location to participate. (no video streaming available) Locations include College Station, Rosenberg, Corpus Christi, Weslaco. Only for Harris County ENP Staff – location is still in Houston	Jon Perrott/Elaine Fries /Fancy Morgan
Program Update Conferences	June-August	<b>Required</b>	RPD conferences will be scheduled face-to-face or teleconference for agents to discuss 2008 program status and 2009 program direction.	Elaine Fries
State TEAFCS Meeting	July 28-31	<b>Optional</b>	TEAFCS Annual Meeting	District 1
BLT & ENP Quarterly Update	August 19	<b>Required</b>	All agents should travel to their district location to participate. (no video streaming available) Locations include College Station, Rosenberg, Corpus Christi, Weslaco. Only for Harris County ENP Staff – location is still in Houston	Jon Perrott/Elaine Fries /Fancy Morgan
Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes Training	November 5- 6	<b>Optional</b>	This training is for people who wish to implement DWBW, and have not yet been trained. Contact Elaine Fries if you would like to attend.	Carol Rice/Mickey Bielamowicz
ENP State Conference	November 4-6	<b>Required for ENP Agents</b>	This training is specifically for the Expanded Nutrition Program Agents	Amanda Scott

## 2008 South Region Agriculture/Natural Resources Professional Development Plan

Subject Matter/Program Area	Date	Optional/ Required	Lead Specialist or Contact	Location
Pesticide Safety Educational Program for New Agents	June 17, 2008	<b>REQUIRED</b>		Centra
Pesticide Safety Education Program for Experienced Agents	July 15, 2008	<b>REQUIRED</b>		Centra
<b>Optional Trainings (select minimum of TWO)</b>				
Texas Event Leadership	Jan 28-30, 2008	OPTIONAL	Kathryn Nachlinger	College Station
Texas Friendly Hospitality	Feb/Mar	OPTIONAL	Kathryn Nachlinger	College Station
Immigration and Labor Issues	Mar 10-11, 2008	OPTIONAL	Marco Palma	Centra
Precision Irrigators Network	Mar 27, 2008	OPTIONAL	Danny Fromme	Uvalde
Farm Bill Update	Apr 8, 2008	OPTIONAL	Joe Outlaw	Centra
Beef Cattle Marketing II	Apr 8, 2008	OPTIONAL	Joe Paschal	Centra
Beef Cattle Nutrition II	Apr 15, 2008	OPTIONAL	Joe Paschal	Centra

Beef Cattle Management I	Apr 22, 2008	OPTIONAL	Joe Paschal	Centra
Renewable Energy Opportunities	Apr 21, 2008	OPTIONAL	Joe Outlaw	San Antonio
Horticulture	May 20, 2008	OPTIONAL	Al Wagner	Austin
Turf Management	May 20, 2008	OPTIONAL	David Chalmers	Fort Bend County
Cotton Production	TBA June or July	OPTIONAL	Robert Lemon and Danny Fromme	Corpus Christi
Forage and Pasture Management	Oct 29, 2008	OPTIONAL	Redman, McFarland, Baumann	Centra
Ag Increment Report	Nov 13, 2008	OPTIONAL	Larry Falconer	Centra
Rice Production	TBA December	OPTIONAL	MoWay	TBA
<b>Friday On-Line Centra Trainings (can substitute for one of the optional trainings above)</b>				
Microsoft Publisher	Jan 11, 2008	OPTIONAL	Pete Flores	Centra
Groupwise Tips	Jan 25, 2008	OPTIONAL	Aimee Sandifer Jill Hughson	Centra
What's Hot in eLearning	Feb 1, 2008	OPTIONAL	Jennifer Jahedkar	Centra
Centra, Leading for Learning	Feb 8, 2008	OPTIONAL	Jennifer Jahedkar	Centra
Intro to Moddle	Feb 15, 2008	OPTIONAL	Jennifer Jahedkar	Centra

Extension Online	Feb 22, 2008	OPTIONAL	Susanna Coppernoll	Centra
Principles of Instructional Design	Feb 29, 2008	OPTIONAL	Susanna Coppernoll	Centra
Instructional Design for Learning	Mar 7, 2008	OPTIONAL	Susanna Coppernoll	Centra
Using Moodle Resources	Mar 21, 2008	OPTIONAL	Jennifer Jahedkar	Centra
Using Moodle Resources	Mar 28, 2008	OPTIONAL	Jennifer Jahedkar	Centra
Copyright	Apr 4, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Identity and Branding	Apr 11, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Marketing Educational Programs	Apr 18, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Newsletters	Apr 25, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Educational Programs	May 2, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Identity and Branding	May 9, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Total Marketing	May 16, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Educational Programs	May 30, 2008	OPTIONAL	Elizabeth Gregory	Centra
Advanced Powerpoint	TBA	OPTIONAL	Jeffrey SoRelle	Centra
Getting the Most from Digital Photos	TBA	OPTIONAL	Jim Segers	Centra

**Other Professional Development Opportunities (can substitute for one of the optional trainings above)**

Beltwide Cotton Conference	Jan 8-11, 2008			Nashville, TN
Texas Pecan Seminar	Jan 28-31, 2008			College Station
Texas Organic Farmer and Growers Association	Feb 1-2, 2008			College Station
National SARE Conference	March 2008			Kansas City, MO
Texas Master Gardeners Conference	Apr 24-26, 2008			Conroe, TX
NACAA	July 13-17, 2008			Greensboro, NC
TCAAA Annual Meeting	Aug 2-6, 2008			Amarillo, TX
Beef Cattle Short Course	Aug 4-6, 2008			College Station
TX Nursery & Landscape Association Conference	Aug 17-19, 2008			Dallas
TX Society of Range Management	Oct 6-9, 2008			Nacogdoches, TX
TX Master Naturalist Conference	Oct 2008			San Antonio area
Texas Plant Protection Conference	Dec 2008			College Station

## 2008 Professional Development Southeast Extension District 9

### Program Development and Organizational Effectiveness Training

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
District 9 Outcome Program Data Analysis Workshop	11-28-07 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Harris County Extension Center, Houston	Accountability is a vital component of Texas Cooperative Extension's Program Development Model. It is important that we are able to tell our story in an accurate, valid and reliable manner. This hands-on workshop will assist CEAs in analyzing outcome program evaluation data and developing summary reports and interpretation pieces to reflect program results.	Dr. Chris Boleman, Extension Specialist, Extension Education Unit	4 hours	TBA  District 9 agents should select 1 of 2 workshops.	TBA
District 9 Outcome Program Data Analysis Workshop	11-29-07 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Lone Star Convention Center, Conroe	Accountability is a vital component of Texas Cooperative Extension's Program Development Model. It is important that we are able to tell our story in an accurate, valid and reliable manner. This hands-on workshop will assist CEAs in analyzing outcome program evaluation data and developing summary reports and interpretation pieces to reflect program results.	Dr. Chris Boleman, Extension Specialist, Extension Education Unit	4 hours	TBA  District 9 agents should select 1 of 2 workshops.	TBA

District 9 4-H Program Development Conference	07-10-08 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Harris County Extension Center, Houston	This conference will focus on 4-H program updates, review of the 2007-2008 District 9 4-H Program and associated events, and discussing and scheduling the 2008-2009 District 4-H Program and associated events.	Kevin Chilek, Extension Program Specialist - 4-H and Dr. Dale A. Fritz, District Extension Administrator	5 hours	TBA  Each county in District 9 should be represented by the County 4-H Coordinator. All other agents are invited to participate.	TBA
Rice Program Development Conference	09-03-08 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon	Centra	This Centra conference provides an opportunity to discuss current issues and program needs for the Rice Program. Also, organizational and programmatic information will be presented to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in developing program plans and leading and conducting an effective County Rice Program.	Extension Specialists, CEAs, and Dr. Monty Dozier, RPD-Ag/NR	3 hours	TBA	TBA
District 9 Program Development Training	09-04-08 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Lone Star Convention Center, Conroe	This retreat provides an opportunity to discuss current issues and program needs in AG, NR, FCS and 4-H. Also, organizational and programmatic information will be presented to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in developing program plans and leading and conducting an effective County Extension Program.	RPDs-AG/NR, FCS and 4-H, DEA, and Extension Specialists	5 hours	TBA  Required for all District 9 CEAs and EAs.	TBA

## District 9 Family and Consumer Sciences

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
District 9 FCS Training and TEAFCS Meeting	12-12-07	TBA	This training provides organizational and programmatic information and addresses current FCS issues to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in leading and conducting an effective County FCS Program.	Extension Specialists, Dr. Elaine Fries, RPD-FCS, and local resource people	5 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-FCS	TBA
District 9 FCS Training and TEAFCS Meeting	05-14-08	TBA	This training provides organizational and programmatic information and addresses current FCS issues to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in leading and conducting an effective County FCS Program.	Extension Specialists, Dr. Elaine Fries, RPD-FCS, and local resource people	5 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-FCS	TBA
District 9 FCS Training and TEAFCS Meeting	08-28-08	TBA	This training provides organizational and programmatic information and addresses current FCS issues to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in leading and conducting an effective County FCS Program.	Extension Specialists, Dr. Elaine Fries, RPD-FCS, and local resource people	5 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-FCS	TBA
District 9 FCS Training and TEAFCS Meeting	12-10-08	TBA	This training provides organizational and programmatic information and addresses current FCS issues to improve the effectiveness of CEAs in leading and conducting an effective County FCS Program.	Extension Specialists, Dr. Elaine Fries, RPD-FCS, and local resource people	5 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-FCS	TBA

## District 9 4-H and Youth Development Training

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
South Region 4-H University	11-7-8-07	TBA	This training provides organizational and programmatic information to improve the effectiveness of managing and leading a County 4-H Program.	4-H Specialists, 4-H RPDs, and County Extension Agents	10 hours	Required for all District 9 CEAs-4-H, CEAs-UYD, and County 4-H Coordinators	TBA
District 9 4-H Training and TAE4-HA Meeting	05-20-21-08 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	TBA	This training will focus on current 4-H and youth development issues and possible educational program areas.	4-H Specialists and CEAs	10 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-4-H and UYD and County 4-H Coordinators  Others are invited to participate	TBA
Texas 4-H and Youth Development Summit	11-TBA-08	4-H Conf. Center - Brownwood	This training provides organizational and programmatic information to improve the effectiveness of managing and leading a County 4-H Program.	4-H Specialists, 4-H RPDs, and County Extension Agents	16 hours	Registration Form due to DEA  Required for all District 9 CEAs-4-H, CEAs-UYD, and County 4-H Coordinators	TBA

## District 9 Administrative Meetings/Trainings

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
District 9 Total Faculty Training	11-15-07 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Houston	This training provides organizational and interpersonal skills information to improve the effectiveness of County Extension Agents. Also, administrative updates will be presented on Risk Management, First Step, etc.	Extension Specialists and Dr. Dale A. Fritz, DEA	6 hours	TBA  Required for all District 9 County Extension Agents	TBA
Cooperative Extension Program State Conference	03-25-28-08  TBA	TBA	This conference provides organizational, interpersonal skills, and subject matter information to improve the effectiveness of Extension Agents. Also, administrative updates will be presented.	CEP Specialists and Administrators and local resource people	TBA	TBA  Required for all CEP agents.	TBA
District 9 Total Faculty Training	04-09-08 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Conroe	This training provides organizational and interpersonal skills information to improve the effectiveness of County Extension Agents. Also, administrative updates will be presented.	TBA	6 hours	TBA Required for all District 9 County Extension Agents	TBA
District 9 Total Faculty Training	11-13-08 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Houston	This training provides organizational and interpersonal skills information to improve the effectiveness of County Extension Agents. Also, administrative updates will be presented.	TBA	6 hours	TBA Required for all District 9 County Extension Agents	TBA

## District 9 Agricultural Commodity and Industry Courses/Workshops

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
Texas Plant Protection Conference	12-04-05-06	Hilton Inn and Conference Center, College Station	This conference is one of the leading crop production conferences in the southwest. Some of the topics for the general session this year include precision agriculture uses and benefits, issues facing farmers with food safety, and the impact of bio-fuels on Texas agriculture. Concurrent sessions during the conference will focus on the latest research on future technology, new products, and new scientific advances will also be reviewed.	Extension Specialists, Researchers, and Industry Reps	14 hours	Registration forms and more information are available on the Texas Plant Protection Association web site: <a href="http://tppa.ta.mu.edu">http://tppa.ta.mu.edu</a> .	TBA

## District 9 Ag and Natural Resources Training

Course Title	Dates and Time	Location	Description	Instructors	Time Required	Registration Information	Cost
District 9 Agriculture Training and TCAA Meeting	04-15-16-08 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Beaumont	This training will focus on current agricultural issues and possible educational program areas. Also, District 9 agriculture will be highlighted through presentations and tours.	Local resource people, CEAs, RPD-AG, and DEA.	12 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-Ag/NR, Hort, and CMR	TBA
District 9 Agriculture Training and TCAA Meeting	09-17-18-08	Burleson County	This training will focus on current agricultural issues and possible educational program areas. Also, District 9 agriculture will be highlighted through presentations and tours.	Local resource people, CEAs, RPD-AG, and DEA.	30 hours	TBA  Required for District 9 CEAs-Ag/NR, Hort, and CMR	TBA

## District 11 Administrative Dates and Deadlines

<b>2007 Dates</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Dec 3, 07	Outcome Summaries Due	TexAS System
Dec 17, 07	Study Leave Request Due (Spring)	<a href="http://yespds.tamu.edu">http://yespds.tamu.edu</a>
<b>2008 Dates</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Feb 1, 08	Time Percentages Due	TexAS System
April 15, 08	Study Leave Requests Due (Summer)	<a href="http://yespds.tamu.edu">http://yespds.tamu.edu</a>
April TBA	County Support Staff Training	TBA
April 22-25, 08	New Employee Orientation	College Station
May 21, 08	Career Ladder Training	TBA
May 20-21, 08	District 4-H Planning & Admin Meeting	TBA
June 23-26, 08	South Texas Judges & Commissioners Conference	San Antonio
July 1, 08	Intent to Apply for Promotion Due	District Office
<b>July 31, 08</b>	<b>Benefit Enrollment Due</b>	<a href="http://sso.tamu.edu">http://sso.tamu.edu</a>
Aug 1, 08	Study Leave Request Due (Fall)	<a href="http://yespds.tamu.edu">http://yespds.tamu.edu</a>
Aug 15, 08	Blanket Travel Authorizations Due	District Office
Aug 22, 08	2009 Job Responsibilities Due	District Office
Aug 26-27, 08	NEATO I	Rosenberg
Sept 16-18, 08	District 11 Program Planning Retreat	Edna
Oct 3, 08	CB5's Due	District Office