

Extension Leadership System **Terms**

County Extension Program Development Team – Program area specific committees (Examples -FACSS, ANR, 4-H) that advise, support and assist in all aspects of program development.

County Leadership Council – Overall group of lay individuals with representation from all program areas, that will support, advise and advocate for the entire Extension Program in a county; coordinated by the County Extension Coordinator and concerned with advocating for the total program, rather than a specific program area.

Extension Leadership System (ELS) – Name given to Extension’s overall project to enhance and improve efforts with Advisory Groups and to integrate these groups into all phases of the program development process. ELS encompass program development teams and leadership councils at all levels of the organization.

Issue Committee – Typically, focus on one issue; may operate as a special committee through the Extension Program Development Committee; may be an interdisciplinary committee that crosses two or more program areas.

REPE – an acronym for the process of setting up successful program development team meeting agendas:

R = Review/evaluate programs conducted since last team meeting

E = Educate and Explore

P = Plan and Participate

E = Engage and Encourage

Shared Leadership – A group functions more effectively when all its members accept responsibility for the work and life of the group...this shared sense of responsibility is known as shared leadership. For such leadership to develop one must pay special attention to ownership, learning and sharing.

Special Committee – Ad Hoc, temporary committees that function until its specific assigned task is accomplished (one meeting – years)

Standing Committee – Handles a specific part of the regular on-going work of the organization; usually denoted in the organizational by-laws; (Examples - Nominating, Membership, Public Relations)

Cooperative Extension Service

Acronyms

ANR	Agriculture and Natural Resources (program area)
CAES	College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences
CECP	Cooperative Extension Curriculum Project
CEA	County Extension Agent
CEC	County Extension Coordinator
CEPA	County Extension Program Assistant
CES	Cooperative Extension Service
CO	County Operations
CSREES	Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service
DED	District Extension Director
ECOP	Extension Committee on Organization and Policy
EFNEP	Expanded Foods and Nutrition Education Program
ELS	Extension Leadership System
EPS	Educational Program Specialist
ESP	Epsilon Sigma Phi
FACS	Family and Consumer Sciences (program area)
FVSU	Fort Valley State University
GACAA	Georgia Association of County Agricultural Agents
GEAFCS	Georgia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
GAE4-HA	Georgia Association of Extension 4-H Agents
GC	Georgia Counts – Extension Reporting System
IPM	Integrated Pest Management
IT	Information Technology
JCEP	Joint Council of Extension Professionals
JOE	<i>Journal of Extension</i>
LEAD 21	National Extension Leadership Development Program
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NASULGC	National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges
POW	Plan of Work
RCCI	Rural Community College Initiative
SAC	State Advisory Committee (CAES)
SARE	Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education
SEAL	Strengthening Extension Advisory Leaders
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture