The Alabama Cooperative Extension System funds 9.37 FTEs (full-time equivalent employees) in Escambia County. These professionals deliver educational programs throughout the year. Programs are developed statewide and delivered locally in each county. Extension regularly partners with the people of Alabama to assess the educational needs in all walks of life.

**Agriculture, Forestry, Wildlife, and Natural Resources**
- 60 producers saved $511,500 or $170.50 per acre on the cost of chemicals for peanuts and cotton by following nozzle replacement recommendations presented at three Extension sprayer calibration meetings. Conservative estimates were of a savings of 5 percent of total spray volume with an average of 1,000 acres per participant.

**Economic and Community Development**
- 66 percent of the 90 attendees at Understanding the Affordable Care Act workshops for area businesses reported that the information they learned would directly affect their business plans. Before the workshop, only 6.9 percent had a good understanding of the act while 61.3 percent had a good understanding following the workshop.

**Family and Consumer Sciences**
- 57 attendees at the Fit-Fest held at the Brewton YMCA in conjunction with the YMCA and D.W. McMillan Hospital participated in a battery of health screenings designed to save lives. These individuals also received information and training that will be shared in their community.

**4-H and Youth Development**
- Enrollment in 4-H increased from approximately 175 youth three years ago to more than 800 youth in 2013. In-school enrichment clubs are in all public and private schools in Escambia County.
- Numerous 4-H clubs focus on underserved communities, such as the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.
- 78 Escambia County young people participated in the Chick Chain, and 300 young people learned safety training for farm and home at Farm Safety Day.