

April Edwards
Jackson County 4-H Agent
2022 GAE4-HYDP Nominee for the Office of Secretary

Background and Experience

Formal Education

Master of Education	2019
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University of Georgia – Athens, GA
Major: Workforce Education

Bachelor of Science	2012
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Shorter University
Major: Human Services

Associates of Science	2004
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University of North Georgia
Major: Business Administration

Professional Experience

County Extension Agent: 4-H Youth Development	January 2020 – Present
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UGA Extension – Jackson County

County Extension Educator: 4-H Youth Development	July 2019 – January 2020
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UGA Extension – Jackson County

County Extension Program Assistant: 4-H Youth Development & ANR	March 2017 – July 2019
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UGA Extension – Jackson County

<i>Substitute Teacher: Jackson County School Systems</i>	December 2012 – March 2017
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Jackson County School System

<i>Co-Owner Edwards Farm and Cattle</i>	June 2008 – December 2020
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Secretary 2

June 2005 – June 2008

Advantage Behavioral Health Systems

Family Partner

May 2004 – January 2005

Ninth District Opportunity

Parent Involvement Coordinator

August 2000 – June 2002

Ninth District Opportunity

Qualifications for Office

Previous Leadership Roles

NAE4-HYDP: Creating a Healthier You Working Group – Chair Elect	2022
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GAE4-HYDP: Programs Committee – Chair	2022
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FACS Leadership Team	2022
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Region II Cattlewomen's Association Annual Meeting – Co-Coordinator	2022
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Georgia Cattlewomen's Association – Director	2020 – present
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Georgia National Fair Contest Coordinator – NE	2019 – present
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4-H Farm to Fork & Nutrition Lesson EFNEP Pilot Team – Co-Coordinator	2020 – present
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Cotton Boll & Consumer Judging Virtual Coaches Training Co-Coordinator	2021
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Cotton Boll & Consumer Judging Virtual Contest Development Team – Co-Coordinator	2021
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Northeast District 2020 Georgia 4-H Town Meeting (Fannin Institute) - Facilitator	2020
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Committee/Task Force Activities

NAE4-HYDP: AG Literacy Committee	2020 – present
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NAE4-HYDP: Creating a Healthier You Working Group	2020 – present
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GAE4-HYDP: Program Committee	2020 – present
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Senior Camp Committee – Member	2020 – present
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Georgia Cattlewomen's Association Youth Events Committee	2019 – present
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4-H Volunteer On-Boarding Pilot Committee	2021
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Relationship Smarts Team Committee	2020
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Committee/Task Force Activities - Continued

Ignite Session Development Committee – NE District Conference	2020
Agritourism Geocaching Planning Committee – Jackson County	2020
Northeast District Virtual Teen Leadership Certification Training Committee	2020

Professional Association Conferences

NAE4-HYDP	2020 (virtual), 2021
GAE4-HYDP	2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (virtual), 2021

Professional Presentations

NAE4-HYDP: Memphis, TN – Poster	2021
GAE4-HYDP: Eatonton, GA – Poster	2021
Northeast District Annual Conference – Program Showcase (Virtual)	2020

Personal Statement

Thank you, GAE4-HYDP members, for considering me for the office of Secretary. Through our current leadership our organization has shown great momentum over the past couple of years. My goal is to continue the trend by collaborating with current and new board members to communicate information in a timely manner and to seek additional professional development opportunities for our members.