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DeKalb County School District
Attn: Mrs. Tanya Arrington
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Dear Mrs. Arrington,

Congratulations! I am pleased to share that the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners has approved continued funding for the DeKalb County Extension Office to offer the **4-H Educator Impact Initiative** for the 2026–2027 school year. This stipend program is designed to support in-school 4-H programming within the DeKalb County School District.

Through this initiative, selected teachers—designated as **4-H Classroom Champions**—will receive financial stipends to collaborate with 4-H staff in delivering high-quality, standards-aligned programming in their classrooms. The program will run from August 2026 through March 2027.

The DeKalb County 4-H Club is led by Mrs. Mical St. Clair, DeKalb County 4-H Agent, and Mrs. Leslie Nia Reese, 4-H Program Educator. I will serve as your primary contact and liaison for the 4-H Educator Impact Initiative. Participation in the stipend program will be guided by the terms and conditions outlined in the agreement form provided by the DeKalb County Extension/4-H Office.

For the 2026–2027 cycle, the DeKalb County School District will receive a total allocation of \$15,000 to support up to 15 4-H Classroom Champions who are committed to implementing and facilitating 4-H programming in their classrooms.

Please share the attached flyer, Classroom Champion Agreement, and online interest form with school leaders and teachers who may be interested. **The deadline to submit interest is Monday, May 18, 2026.**

We look forward to continuing our partnership with DeKalb County School District to expand meaningful 4-H learning experiences for students across the district. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Crystal R. Perry, Ph.D.
DeKalb County Extension Coordinator