

Wayne County Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) is Looking for Board Members

Press Release

Are you interested in equipping youth with hands-on skills and keeping 4-H a top priority for young people in Wayne County? Do you benefit from the Master Gardener's Program, or have an interest in accessible nutrition information for all Wayne County residents? Want to keep up with the latest on the many agricultural commodities produced in Wayne County, like apples, peaches, dairy, field crops, vegetables, berries, and others? Then apply for an open seat on the Board of Directors of CCE of Wayne County.

Meetings are held about every other month on the second Tuesday, in the evening. CCE Wayne serves all of the citizens of Wayne County in the areas of agriculture, agriculture education, youth, and family development (including 4-H), sustainability of the environment (including Master Gardeners), nutrition and food safety, and healthy communities. There are 4 agriculture specialist teams for which CCE Wayne gains access to education and research for our farms: NWNY Dairy, Livestock and Field Crops Team, Cornell Vegetable Team, Lake Ontario Fruit Team, and the Finger Lakes Grape Team. More information about our Plan of Work can be found on our website, "[ccewayne.org](http://www.ccewayne.org)" under the "About us" section.

The Board of Directors is the governing board of CCE Wayne and works in partnership with county and state governments and Cornell University. The board of directors supports the Executive Director in developing CCE Wayne's strategy, helps to evaluate programs, and oversees funding for the organization's operation and programming. Board membership is a three-year commitment with a potential for re-election for one additional term. Board volunteers must be residents of Wayne County and at least 18 years of age. Other requirements are listed in the Constitution that can be found on the website under "About Us", then "Board and Governance".

Board members are expected to prepare for and attend board meetings, as well as participate in working committees as needed. Elections for board members will take place at the annual meeting on Friday, November 6, 2026 at the Wayne County CCE Extension Building, 1581 Route 88 North, Newark, NY 14513. Cornell Cooperative Extension provides equal employment and program opportunities. Individuals who bring a diverse perspective and are supportive of diversity and equality are strongly encouraged to apply. For details, application and further information can be found on our website, "About Us", then "Board and Governance" OR please contact Dr. Nancy Gift, Executive Director at ng19@cornell.edu, or 315-331-8415. Our website address is: <http://www.ccewayne.org>. Nominations and applications are due by Tuesday, October 13th, 2026.