**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

**2020 TAFCS STATE CONFERENCE**

**June 5, 2020**

**Tennessee Technological University**

**College of Human Ecology**

**Cookeville, TN**

**Date:** 12/10/2019

**To:** Family and Consumer Science Researchers, Extension Agents, TAFCS Members, PGS Members, & other content area professionals

**From:** Kayleigh Beasley- President & Sandra Poirier, EdD, CFCS, LDN, TAFCS Vice-President Program of Work

**Subject:** TAFCS: Call for Research for Oral Presentation, Scholarly/Creative Showcase of Programs, and Research Poster Presentations

TAFCS announces the call for Abstracts of Research for oral presentation, Scholarly/Creative Showcase of Programs, and Research Poster Presentations are to be considered for presentation at the TAFCS State Conference. The conference will be held at Tennessee Technological University, College of Human Ecology, Oakley Hall.

In addition, Tennessee welcomes submission regarding school & community education topics, topics that support AAFCS Body of Knowledge of individual strengths, family capacity building, community vitality and basic wellness.

Four categories are available for presentation: research/educational (oral) presentations, research poster presentations, Scholarly/Creative Showcase of programs, and Application Sessions are available for professionals. Students may also submit work for display or presentation.

The following guidelines must be met for all abstracts to undergo review:

Abstract must be original, and current (no more than 3 years old). Send one original and two copies for blind peer review, i.e., omitting the author’s name and affiliation. It is also acceptable to resubmit and/or revise research presented at AAFCS, NEAFCS or elsewhere if author determines that the material will be new and valuable to Tennessee Family and Consumer Science educators.

Abstract must conform to the following format restrictions:

(1). Presenter must be a member of TAFCS or if a group presents one member of the group must be a member of TAFCS.

(2). It must be prepared in black ink on plain white paper, 8 ½ x 11 inches, with 1 ¼ margin on each of the four sides. Do not draw a box to enclose the abstract. The abstract must not exceed one page in length. The author is encouraged to use the entire space provided. When preparing the abstract, use 12-point font.

(3). The title of the research, showcase, or session, in capital letters and centered, should appear on the first line. Center the name of the author on the second line, followed by abbreviation for highest degree held; use an asterisk (\*) to designate the presenter. The name(s) of the affiliation or institution(s) should be centered on the third line. No extra lines should appear between the title, author(s), or institution(s).

(4). Leave the line below name(s) of institution(s) blank. Begin each paragraph of the text by indenting five spaces. Single-space text within the remaining portion of the space created by the original 1 ¼ inch margins. Special symbols, tables, and graphs may be included and ensure that they fit within the margins.

(5.) The abstract must be an original, not a photocopy. It should be free of erasures, smudges, errors and misspellings.

(6). Abstracts must be emailed to VP Program of Work no later than March 18, 2020.

(7.) Abstracts will be **peer reviewed**. (A team of three professionals will evaluate the material to determine if it meets TAFCS guidelines and is deserving of presentation.)

(8.) The research poster, showcase of programs, concurrent sessions and creative exhibitions will be presented on **June 5, 2020.**

# RESEARCH ABSTRACTS FOR ORAL PRESENTATION

Criteria for acceptance of Research Abstracts are:

1. Clarity with which author(s) states rationale, purpose, research design,

hypotheses, statistical methods, procedures, results of statistical analyses or other empirical findings, conclusions, and implications for

research-based application to programming, theory building, or policy recommendations;

1. Importance of problem;
2. Soundness of research design; and
3. Appropriateness of analysis and findings

(e) Relationship to conference theme as stated above

Oral Presentations will be approximately 40 minutes—please indicate on your information sheet the amount of time you will need. Groups making presentations may be considered for a one hour time slot—please make it clear if you are requesting this option.

# CREATIVE/SCHOLARLY SHOWCASE OF PROGRAMS

Criteria for acceptance of Showcase Abstracts are:

1. Clarity of purpose or objectives;
2. Usefulness to target audience;
3. Accuracy and substantiation of information;
4. Clarity and logic of program description;
5. Implications for further programming;
6. Importance to profession; and
7. Current
8. Relationship to conference theme

TAFCS members or teams of members are encouraged to submit showcase programs that exemplify their work. Applicants will be responsible for the materials for their display. Display tables are standard tables for poster boards. The poster boards should be self-supporting or you may bring your own easel**. Please note on your information sheet if you will need the use of a table so that we can be sure to provide you with one.**

# STUDENT PROJECTS

An invitation is also extended to student members of TAFCS-Student Unit who are members of AAFCS/TAFCS to submit individual or group exhibits, displays, design presentations, research projects, promotional designs, or teaching ideas. For student research projects, follow Research Abstract Guidelines, for other entries, follow the guidelines that most closely fit your material.

**INFORMATION FORM**

**MUST accompany abstract submission!**

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Type of Presentation\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of Presentation (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Requests (tables, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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