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BREAKFAST

Fostering Nebraska's Research Community in the
Social, Behavioral and Educational Sciences



NEBRASKA CENTER FOR RESEARCH ON
CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILIES & SCHOOLS

TODAY'S CONVERSATION

Fostering Research Collaboration with Nebraska Extension: Making Connections & Models for Success

TODAY'S GOALS

- Learn about Nebraska Extension and partnership potentials.
- Share examples of successful research collaborations.
- Identify concrete ways to:
 - **Make connections**
 - **Strengthen research through broader impacts**
 - **Bring evidence-based practices to Nebraska communities**

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- **Sue Sheridan**, Director, CYFS
- **Kathleen Lodi**, Associate Dean of Nebraska Extension and 4-H Program Administrator
- **Yan Ruth Xia**, Professor, Child, Youth & Family Studies
- **Michelle Krehbiel**, Youth Development Specialist and Associate Professor in 4-H Youth Development
- **Evan Choi**, Associate Professor, Child, Youth & Family Studies
- **Linda Reddish**, Nebraska Extension Educator

OVERVIEW

Nebraska Extension

MODELS FOR SUCCESS

Example Collaborations

1. Yan Ruth Xia: *Health Rocks!*
2. Michelle Krehbiel: *WECook*
3. Evan Choi & Linda Reddish: *Co-Parenting for Successful Kids*

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH: Co-parenting for Successful Kids

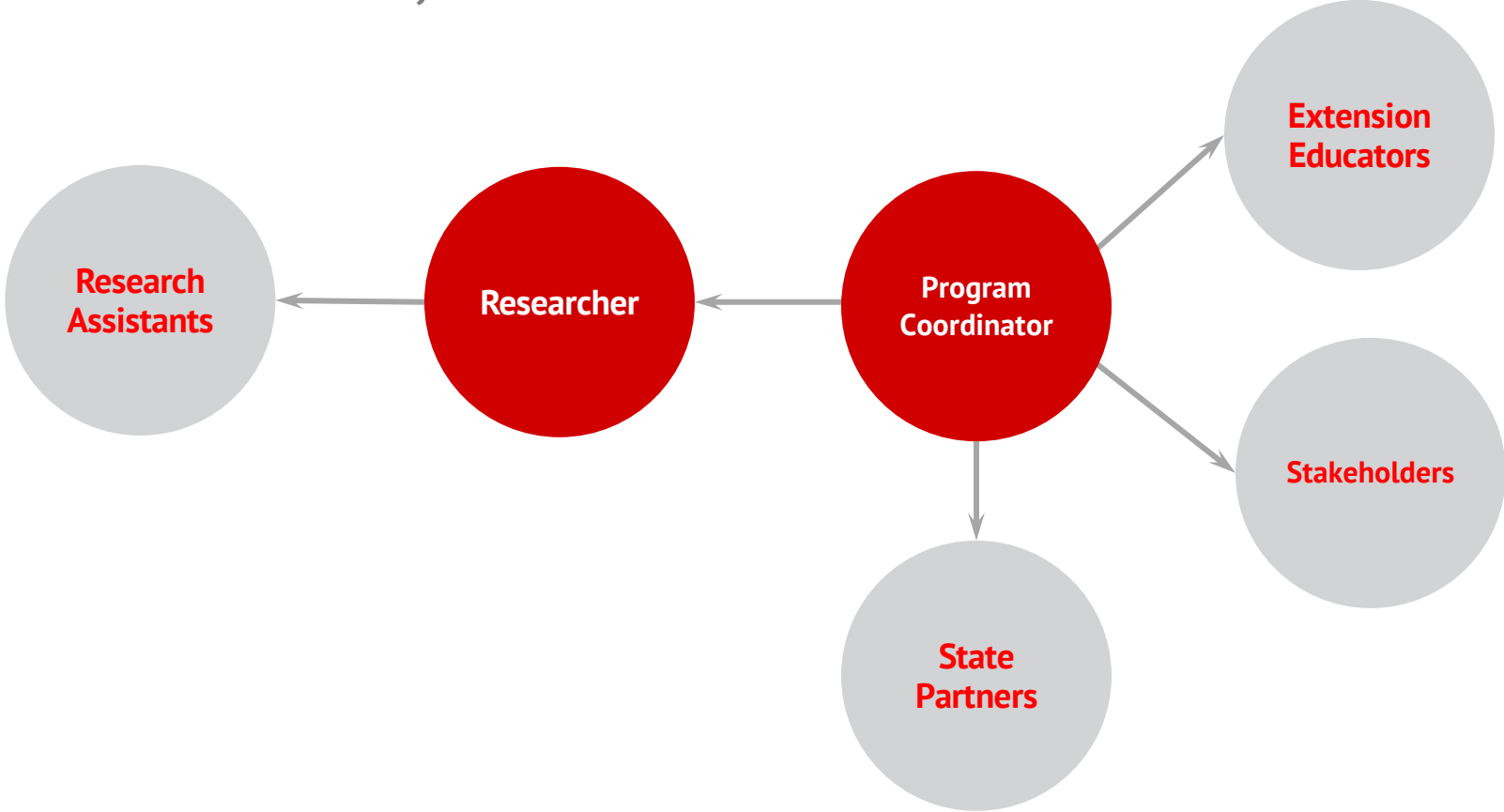
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IN OUR GRIT, OUR GLORY™

HOW DID YOU CONNECT WITH PARTNERS?

“Educator-initiated, researcher-led collaboration”





WHAT WORKED WELL?

- Data collection from a large sample
- Cooperative participants (e.g., minimal attrition)
- Cost effectiveness
- Clear expectations
- Responsible, respectful, and responsive environment

WHAT YOU MIGHT DO DIFFERENTLY NEXT TIME?



**Building
Relationships
with Educators**



**Leveraging
Resources and
Support**



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Understand needs and capacity
- Identify a *key* person!
- Reach out to Extension leaders
- Consider appropriate compensations
- Create a safe environment for transparent communication

Q&A and DISCUSSION

Extension professionals:

- What kind of research or evidence-based practices do you need in your community?
- How can on-campus faculty best engage with you?
- Are there current opportunities for collaboration?
- How can CYFS assist you?

On-campus faculty:

- What are you studying?
- How can Extension personnel connect with you?
- Are there current opportunities for collaboration?
- How can CYFS assist you?

CYFS RESEARCH NETWORK

Online tool showcasing the work of **CYFS Research Affiliates** — faculty from across the NU system whose work significantly contributes to the university's interdisciplinary research community in the **social, behavioral and educational sciences (S-B-Ed)**.

cyfs.unl.edu/research-network

QUICK SURVEY

What research area would you
like to discuss next?

April 9, 8:30-10 a.m.

Prem S. Paul Research Center at Whittier School

2200 Vine Street

THANK YOU!



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