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## IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY EXTENSION PROGRAMS TO TEACHERS AND COMMUNITY

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Community extension programs are important to both teachers and the community for several reasons:

Importance to Teachers:

Professional Development: Teachers who participate in community extension programs could develop new skills and knowledge that they can apply in the classroom. This helps them stay current with the latest teaching methods and trends.

Personal Growth: In addition to professional development, community extension programs provide teachers with opportunities for personal growth. Working with community members from different backgrounds and cultures can broaden their perspective and understanding of the world.

Career Advancement: Participating in community extension programs can also enhance a teacher's career prospects. It demonstrates a commitment to community engagement and service, which can be attractive to employers.

Importance to the Community:

Access to Education: Community extension programs provide access to educational resources and services that may not otherwise be available to community members. This can include tutoring, mentoring, and workshops on various topics.



Community Development: Community extension programs can contribute to the overall development of the community. They can help address local issues, such as poverty, health, and education, and promote community empowerment and engagement.

Collaboration: Community extension programs facilitate collaboration between schools and the community. This can lead to greater cooperation and understanding between the two groups, as well as a shared sense of responsibility for community development.

In summary, community extension programs are important to teachers and the community because they provide opportunities for professional and personal growth, enhance career prospects, provide access to education, contribute to community development, and promote collaboration between schools and the community.

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