

ACRONYMS Heard During PLN Meetings



4-HSDT	4-H Strategic Directions Team
4-H CCS	National 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System
AA	Affirmative Action
AAP	Affirmative Action Plan
ACOP	Academic Committee on Organization and Policy
AEA	Association of Extension Administrators (1890 Institutions)
AHS	Administrative Heads Section of the APLU Board on Ag Assembly
ANR	Agriculture and Natural Resources
APLU	Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (<i>Formerly NASULGC</i>)
ARD	Association of Research Directors
AREERA	Agriculture Research Extension Education Reform Act of 1998
ARS	Agricultural Research Service
ASRED	Association of Southern Region Extension Directors (1862 Institutions)
BAA	Board on Ag Assembly of the APLU
BAC	Budget and Advocacy Committee of the BAA
BPST	Base Program Strategic Team
CARET	Council for Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching
CECP	Cooperative Extension Curriculum Project
CES	Cooperative Extension System
CoP	Community of Practice within eXtension
CRD	Community Resource Development (Sometimes CD or CRED)
CRED	Community Resource and Economic Development
CTDE	Communications, Technology and Distance Education
CYFAR	Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Initiative
EARS	Extension Accomplishment Reporting System
EC	Executive Committee
ECOP	Extension Committee on Organization and Policy
ECS	Economic and Community Systems
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EFNEP	Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program
EIS	Extension Information System
ELDT	Experiential Learning Design Team (4-H)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ERS	Economic Research Service
ES	Extension Service
ESCOP	Experiment Station Committee on Organization and Policy
ESP	Epsilon Sigma Phi
FCS	Family and Consumer Science
FNCS	Food, Nutrition and Consumer Service
FNS	Food and Nutrition Service
FQPA	Food Quality and Protection Act
FSA	Food Security Act or Farm Service Agency
FSQ	Food Safety and Quality
FY	Fiscal Year
GAO	General Accounting Office
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point
HBCUS	Historically Black Colleges and Universities
HHS	Health and Human Services
HRD	Human Resource Development
HUD	Housing and Urban Development
ICOP	International Committee on Organization and Policy
IPA	Intergovernmental Personnel Agreement

IPM	Integrated Pest Management
IT	Information Technology
JCEP	Joint Council of Extension Professionals
JOE	Journal of Extension
LGU	Land Grant University
LVD	Leadership and Volunteer Development
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NACAA	National Association of County Agricultural Agents
NACDEP	National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals
NAE4HA	National Association of Extension 4-H Agents
NAEFCS	National Association of Extension Family and Consumer Sciences
NAEPSDP	National Association of Extension Program & Staff Development Professionals
NAPIAP	National Agricultural Pesticide Impact Assessment Program
NASS	National Agricultural Statistics Service
NCRCRD	North Central Regional Center for Rural Development
NELD	National Extension Leadership Development
NEP	Nutrition Education Program
NERCRD	Northeast Regional Center for Rural Development
NIDT	National Initiative Development Team
NIFA	National Institute of Food and Agriculture
NIMT	National Initiative Management Team
NIT	National Initiative Team
NPL	National Program Leader
NPS	National Program Staff
NRAES	Natural Resource and Agricultural Engineering Service
NRCS	National Resource Conservation Service
NREM	Natural Resource and Environmental Management
NSF	National Science Foundation
NYDC	National 4-H Youth Directions Council
PAS	Plant and Animal Systems
PC	Program Committees (within the Program Leadership Network)
	ANR Agriculture and Natural Resources
	CRD Community Development
	COM Communications
	FCS Family and Consumer Sciences
	IT Information Technology
	4-H 4-H Youth Development
	MM Middle Management
	PSD Program and Staff Development
PLC	Program Leadership Committee (Representatives from PC's, ASRED and AEA)
PLN	Program Leadership Network (or SRPLN – Southern Region PLN)
POE	Program of Excellence
POW	Plan of Work
RCWP	Rural Clean Water Program
RD	USDA Rural Development
REE	Research, Education and Economics
RRDC	Regional Rural Development Centers
SAAESD	Southern Association of Ag Experiment Station Directors
SAES	State Agricultural Experiment Station
SARE	Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education
SRDC	Southern Rural Development Center
SRPLN	Southern Region Program Leadership Network (sometimes just PLN)
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
WRDC	Western Rural Development Center
YAR	Youth at Risk

