

Aspen Achen

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CAREER SUMMARY

My appointment is 100 percent extension. My responsibilities are mainly split between 4-H and Youth Development and Adult Agriculture. However, being a one-agent county, I believe it is important to be versed in all program areas in order to meet the needs of the entire community. Therefore, I also work to serve clientele in the areas of Family and Consumer Sciences and Economic Development.

EDUCATION

College M.A., Agriculture & Extension Education; NMSU, Las Cruces, NM—May 2014
B.S., Agriculture & Extension Education; NMSU; Las Cruces, NM—December 2005
Minor, Journalism; NMSU; Las Cruces, NM—December 2005
Associates of Science, Clarendon College, Clarendon, TX—May 2003

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/EMPLOYMENT

NMSU County Extension Program Director/Agriculture Agent

- **De Baca County** (May 2011-current) Responsible for directing all NMSU CES programming, including Adult Agriculture; 4H Youth Development; Family and Consumer Sciences; Community/Economic Development.

Elementary Educator

Vaughn Municipal Schools 2008- 2011

Fourth Grade Teacher/Reading Teacher—Homeroom teacher for fourth grade, and reading teacher for fourth, fifth, and sixth grades.

WORK RELATED SKILLS

Communication Skills; Grant Writing Skills; Journalism Skills; Computer Literate; Knowledge and Experience with Leathercraft and Braiding.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS/ASSOCIATIONS

National Association of County Agriculture Agents (NACAA); National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA); NM Association of County Agriculture Agents (NMACAA); NM 4H Agents Association (NMAE4-HA); NM Cowbelles; Farm Bureau; Fort Sumner Women's Club, De Baca Soil and Water Conservation District Board Member, Health Council; De Baca County Fair board, ex-officio.