K-State will launch ‘Remote Work Wednesdays’ Nov. 1

AT&T state leader highlights first talk in free, monthly online series

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MANHATTAN, Kan. – Kansas State University is speeding forward on an effort to boost remote work in Kansas with a monthly online series that kicks off Nov. 1.

Ron Wilson, coordinator of the Remote Online Initiative being implemented through K-State Research and Extension, said the program – called Remote Work Wednesdays – will feature experts in the telecommunications industry and business leaders discussing the opportunities for future remote work opportunities.

“We believe remote work will continue to be part of the Kansas economy and can create opportunities for rural citizens and communities,” said Wilson, who is also director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development. “We want to help rural residents learn more about these opportunities in the future.”

Jim Jamison, president of AT&T Kansas, will be the first-ever guest speaker in K-State’s Remote Work Wednesday series, which will be held on the first Wednesday of each month. Future talks are scheduled for Dec. 6, Jan. 3 and Feb. 7.

Jamison’s Nov. 1 talk will include:

- Advice for those working remotely.
- A perspective of remote work on business and corporate life.
- Thoughts on how telecommunications providers can be partners in working successfully in a remote work setting.

Deborah Kohl, the state program leader and coordinator for K-State Research and Extension’s community vitality team that has helped develop the Remote Online Initiative, said the monthly webinars will be a ‘Lunch and Learn’ format.
“We will meet over the noon hour, so we invite participants to bring their lunch to the Zoom meeting,” Kohl said.

Registration is available online. There is no cost, but those interested are required to register in advance to receive links to the program.

The Remote Online Initiative offers month-long courses to all Kansans to obtain certification as a remote work professional or remote work leader. The Remote Work Wednesdays series is supported by a NetWorked Community Solutions Grant from NetWork Kansas, in partnership with the North Central Regional Planning Commission.

More information on the Remote Online Initiative and the Wednesday webinars is available online.

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