Congratulations to our 2020-2021 Charlotte County 4-H Award Winners!

Achievement Award Winners
Klayton N.
Noelle P.
Meghan P.

Project Awards
Cole Vanagas - Beef
Connor Lawson - Beef
Klayton Neuhofer - Citrus
Luke Bailey - Citrus
Bruce Bailey - Citrus
Alexander Bailey - Citrus
Caleb Lawson - Dog
Isabell Perez - Dog
Annabeth Brese - Dog
Layla Wood - Goat

Out of County Activity Award
Olivia B.
Rachel D.
Annabeth B.
Bryton S.
Maddox M.
Cameron D.
Aiden C.
Ava C.
Aubrey L.
Mackenzie J.
Emily B.
Megan B.
Klayton N.

"Don't underestimate the power of your dreams."
-Corinna Kong
Volunteers are essential to the success of the 4-H program. We depend on volunteers to create positive learning opportunities for youth on several different topics. We are in need of volunteers for the following established clubs:

- Poultry
- Goat/Lamb

In addition, we are looking for volunteers who may be interested in starting a new club. We are hoping to create several SPIN (Special Interest) clubs in order to meet the need of youth in the community. These SPIN clubs must meet for at least 6 hours. This can be done in (6) 1 hour meetings, (3) 2 hour meetings or any combination that works for you.

SPIN Club Ideas:

- Cooking
- Sewing
- Wildlife
- STEM
- Sports

Do you have a passion for a specific topic? Let's work together to turn it into a club!

Signup by Friday, June 11th.
https://forms.office.com/r/GfdnWNKrt6
8 Basic Email Etiquette Rules

1. Use a professional email address.
2. Utilize appropriate simple fonts with only standard colors for emails.
3. Write a clear and direct subject line to ensure the email is read by the recipient.
4. Be cautious when sending personal information via email.
5. Include a polite greeting and a sincere closing with each email.
6. ALWAYS proofread before sending.
7. Add the recipients email last. This will prevent an email accidentally being sent before you have finished writing & proofing the message.
8. Nothing you write is confidential - it can easily be shared with another person. Assume anyone can see what you write.

What is email etiquette?
Email etiquette refers to the behavior we should use when writing or answering email messages. Email is less personal than a letter, it means it is possible for serious breaches of manners to take place.
Sun Safety

Summer activities = fun in the sun.

Each time you go out to play in the sun, you put yourself at risk for a sunburn or sun damage. Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers, but there are many easy ways to reduce your risk of skin cancer by protecting your skin from sun damage. Follow these tips to keep yourself safe in the sun:
- Apply sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher) everyday.
- Wear protective clothing, a wide brimmed hat and sunglasses each day.
- Look for shady spots outside.
- Stay indoors or in the shade when the rays are strongest.

Did you know?

*Sunglasses block 99-100% of UVA & UVB radiation. They also screen out 75-90% of visible light. Gray, green and brown lenses work best.

*Check yourself regularly for new or changing beauty marks and/or moles.

*Reapply sunscreen every 2 hours and especially after swimming or sweating.

Celebrate Charlotte County’s Centennial by Attending This Centennial Event.

FARM TO FORK Exhibition

July 17, 2021
10:00AM-3:00PM
Centennial Park Recreation Center
1120 Centennial Blvd.
Port Charlotte, FL 33953

Join us as we celebrate 100 years of agriculture in Charlotte County. This event will showcase the food we produce and how we prepare it. Enjoy a day full of education and fun featuring cooking demonstrations, educational exhibitors, food trucks, door prizes, make and takes, children’s activities, and classes/workshops/activities related to agriculture and food.

*Cottage Food Industry
*Family Nutrition Program Overview
*Beekeeping Overview
*Basic Food Preservation
*Community Food Systems
*Multi-County Agents Efforts in Charlotte County

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