

JEFFERSON COUNTY 4-H NEWS



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“SUMMER 4-H PROGRAM CANCELLED THROUGH JULY 31, 2020”



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Dear 4-H Members and Families:

Just as I'm sure you have, Florida 4-H has continued to monitor the COVID-19 situation. In line with the direction of the University of Florida, the CDC, and others I am very disappointed to share with you that **all in-person Florida 4-H summer programs have been canceled through July 31, 2020.**

This means this summer we will **not** have in-person offerings of the traditional events we have enjoyed for decades such as 4-H Legislature, 4-H University, residential camping at Camp Cherry Lake, camp counselor training and 4-H Day Camps. This is undoubtedly disappointing. Please know it is to us too. This has been an agonizing decision that was not made lightly but was made in consideration of the health of all in our 4-H Family.

Instead of in-person programs, we are currently working on ways for our 4-H members to connect through virtual means.. We know this may not look the same, but we feel a great responsibility to

continue to provide our 4-H members and families a place to learn, lead, serve, grow, and belong. Understandably, as this is new territory for all of us, we don't know exactly what these alternatives will look like yet. However, 4-H has a history of youth-adult partnership and we value our youth as the problem solvers they are. We will be tasking some of our own youth leaders to help us create innovative solutions.

This is unprecedented for us and we realize this is disappointing news. We believe we will hit the ground running with the start of the 4-H year on September 1, 2020. Please know though that the safety of our 4-H members, volunteers, families, staff and faculty is always our top priority, and thank you for your cooperation in keeping us all healthy.

Please reach out to the Jefferson Extension County 4-H Office if you have additional questions.

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CAMP COUNSELOR TRAINING

Our second Camp Counselor Training is scheduled for **Saturday, May 16th from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** at Camp Cherry Lake.

Teens must be 14 years of age (4-H age) to become a counselor.

We have two sessions and counselors are invited to attend a... the... camp... CEPT...

Please see tentative dates below:

***3rd Camp Counselor Training Friday, June 19, 2020**

Place: Jefferson County Extension Office

***Parent/Camper Meeting Thursday, June 18th @ 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Counselors are Introduced
Receive Counselor T-Shirt

CIT's, Junior Counselors and Senior Counselors select AFTER the May 16th training. Counselor selection based on their application, maturity and level of participation at counselor training.

Attendance at 4-H Camp Cherry Lake

***June 22nd thru June 26th, 2020**

***Camp fee for counselor is \$20.00 this year.**

Counselors must be able to attend the ENTIRE WEEK of camp.

*You **MUST** register for camp by paying the \$20.00.

*Registration begins **Monday, March 13, 2020.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail or call Mr. John Lilly.



4-H CAMP CHERRY LAKE

This year the Annual Summer Camp has been set for June 22nd thru June 26th. The camp theme is "Make Camp Possible".

The cost of camp... will... actual... was set... from... to reduce the cost to **\$55.00.**

A **\$20.00** deposit will reserve spot for your child.

Activities included the summer camp program this year is centered around "Camping". Summer camp provides an opportunity for Jefferson County youth to learn and explore. Summer camps, as all 4-H activities, is open to all youth without regards to race, color, sex, or national origin.



5-7 YEAR OLD DAY CAMP

This Summer Jefferson County 4-H will be offering Summer Day Camps to all youth ages 5-7. The camp will start promptly at 8:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, July 21st** and end on **Friday, July 24th**.

Theme: "Through the Eyes of a Child" **Do not miss this opportunity!** The camp is limited to fifty-five (55) youth. If you are interested, please come by the 4-H Office to register. The deadline to sign-up is **Monday, July 14th**.

Day Camp for 5-7 year old will begin at **8:00 a.m.** and end at **12:00 noon** every day except for **Friday**, the camp will end at **3:00 p.m.**

Activities Include:

- Crafts
- Organized Recreation
- Outdoor Cookery
- MaClay Gardens State Park-Swimming



FIELD TO FORK DAY CAMP "COOKING WHAT YOU GROW"

JUNE 1-5 MONDAY-FRIDAY

AGES: 11-14

Limit of 12 Participants

Cost: \$40.00

Activities Include:

- Tours of Local Farms
- Cooking
- Meal Planning
- Food Safety and Hygiene
- Food Preservation
- Restaurant Tours
- Learn to Grill
- Grilling Contest!



OUTDOOR RECREATION DAY CAMP

Ages: 10-15

Monday thru Friday July 6-10, 2020

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Limit of 30 Participants

Cost: \$35.00

The Jefferson/Leon Multi-County Day Camp teaches campers to be environmental stewards by respecting and protecting our environment.

Camp activities include Forestry, Conservation, Wildlife, Archery, and Air Rifles Monday - Wednesday.

On Thursday, campers will travel to Piney Lake in Lafayette for a day of fishing, canoeing, and archery. Campers will enjoy a picnic, fishing contests, a cookout for lunch, and an award ceremony with Sno-Cones.



FLORIDA 4-H UNIVERSITY

4-H University is all about having fun, making new friends, and learning! Florida 4-H University is four day and three nights event for young adults held at the University of Florida, July 27, 2020 through July 30, 2020. This event is open to ages 18-24 between 14-18 years old. Attendees will participate in educational activities, leadership training, and social activities. They will interact with youth from all over the state.

4-H University is FREE to teens that participate in County Events by completing a Demonstration/Illustrated Talk or General Public Speaking.

For other teens, the fee is \$137.50 (half off the original price).

The deadline to register for 4-H University is May 1st thru June 12th, 2020.

For more information, please go to <http://4huniversity.com/>

Please contact Mr. John Lilly, if you have questions or concerns.



JEFFERSON COUNTY 4-H'ERS TO THE RESCUE!

Since the beginning of the global outbreak of COVID-19, the supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) is alarmingly short for medical professionals here in Jefferson County and across the country. JoAnn Fabrics and Crafts stores are mobilizing customers to pitch in with Coronavirus relief by distributing free kits to sew facemasks for hospitals and healthcare facilities.

Administrators at both of Jefferson County long-term care facilities, Brynwood Health and Rehabilitation Center and Cross Landings Health and Rehabilitation Center indicated a dire need of facemasks for their residents and staff.

After speaking with the 4-H Staff and club leaders about a service project to making mask, within an hour, we had our first mask completed... "4-H'ers to the Rescue". This type of project teaches youth the importance of giving back, making a difference, and honing life skills such as goal setting, planning and organization, social responsibility and self-motivation, among others.

Jefferson County 4-H members are using the time away from school because of the

Coronavirus to help a greater cause—create protective facemasks to help those on the from lines.

Local clubs are being encouraged to participate in a county-wide community service project making these masks in the spirit of the 4-H pledge, "I Pledge my Hands to Larger Service". Current clubs participating in the program are Explorers' 4-H Club, Hickory Hill 4-H Club and the Working Soldiers 4-H Club. Nonaffiliated club members and adult volunteers are also participating in this service project. The masks will be delivered to the healthcare facilities weekly.

*Note: These fabric facemasks are not a replacement for N-95 respirators and other PPE (Personal Protection Equipment). They are intended as last resort or to supplement when necessary medical grade surgical mask and N-95 respirators.

Gladys Neely, Jefferson County 4-H Program Assistant is leading this effort for the 4-H members. Please contact her at gjul6@ufl.edu or by phone at (850) 342-0187 (leave a message with extension 103) or Mr. John Lilly, Jefferson County Extension Director, 4-H Agent at jgl@ulf.edu or by phone (850) 342-0187 (leave a message with extension 101).

I would like to share pictures of youth and adults working on facemasks.

4-H'ERS AND CLUB LEADERS MAKING FACEMASKS



Easter Feeling

The Easter feeling does not end. It signals a new beginning, Of nature, spring, and brand new life, And friendship, peace, and giving. The spirit of Easter is all about Hope, love, and joyful living.

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4-H Camper Registration Form 2020 Jefferson County

Name: _____ Age: _____ Race: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parents' Name(s): _____

Camper Birth Date: ___/___/___ (Must be 8 by June 1, 2019)
(Month/Date/Year)

Camper Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Work Phone Number: _____

Cabin Mate Selection (Please list two(2) people you would like to room with. We will try to place you with at least one of them).

1. _____ 2. _____

Have you been to 4-H Camp Cherry Lake before? ___ If yes, how many times? _____

What type of swimmer are you? (Circle One)

Non-Swimmer Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Do you have any special Dietary needs? ___ If yes, explain below.

A camp T-shirt can be purchased at Camp Cherry Lake for \$10.00.





April 2020

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OFFICE CLOSED

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