## A New 4-H Year on the Horizon!



It's time to get ready for the new 4-H year! Our 2021-2022 year will close out on August 30<sup>th</sup>, and we are beginning to prepare for the 2022-2023 year which will start on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Whether you are a new or returning member, this is a great time to start preparing for your Fall 4-H involvement!

## **Returning Members**

Already a 4-H club member? Re-enrolling is easy! Each of our current 4-H volunteers and youth members are part of a family 4-H Online profile. Beginning on September 1<sup>st</sup>, each member will need to be re-enrolled in our system. Just log in to your family profile and update any information for each member. Be sure to click through to the last page and submit!

## **New Members**

Want to get involved in the upcoming year? Just follow these three easy steps!

- 1. See our 4-H Club Directory and choose a 4-H club that best suits your child's interests and your family's schedule.
- 2. Enroll your child as a 4-H member in 4-H Online (<u>v2.4honline.com</u>). You should enroll parents who plan to volunteer as well.
- 3. Get started on your 4-H project! Ask your club leader or explore our website for details.

Both new and returning members should keep a few things in mind. All youth ages 8-18 are charged a \$20 membership fee annually. Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) and adult volunteers are not charged this membership fee. This fee and your enrollment reset every year on September 1<sup>st</sup>, so make sure you put that date in your calendar! While enrollment is open year-round, we hope to have most members enrolled by November so they can experience a full 4-H year. If youth plan to show in the Alachua County Youth Fair & Livestock Show, they MUST be enrolled by December 1<sup>st</sup>, no exceptions.

Volunteers who enroll in 4-H are required to complete the Youth Protection Training annually. This training is included in your 4-H Online enrollment, so please set aside approximately 20 minutes for all volunteer enrollments, and make sure you click through to the very end of the training, so the system records your score. Any adults who plan to volunteer will need to enroll as such.

We're very excited to see all of you in the upcoming 4-H year! If you have any questions about the enrollment/re-enrollment process, please reach out to <a href="mailto:alachua4h@ifas.ufl.edu">alachua4h@ifas.ufl.edu</a> for more information.