DETAILS SHEET

4-H Plant Science Project Leader Training
2011-2012 Pilot Project

Purpose of the project

- Provide a small group of Kansas 4-H Adult Volunteer Plant Science Project Leaders with knowledge, curriculum and Specialist support to provide positive project experiences for 4-H members.
- Project leaders become a member of a learning community of other volunteers across Kansas.

How the project will work

- The Grow 4-H through 4-H Plant Science Webinars for adult volunteer leaders will include 7 monthly webinars by a K-State Research Extension Staff that will be then be put into practice by participants at project meetings for their group.
- Webinars will be 60-70 minutes in length and will also be recorded, linked to the audio call, and archived on that 4-H Project's webpage.
- The preliminary outline will include: 30 minutes of instruction; 15 minutes of Q&A; 15 minutes of open questions and sharing related to their work as 4-H project leaders.
- The Adobe Connect sessions will be held during a weeknight evening.
- Up to 25 Plant Science Leaders from across the state can be involved.
- Approval from your local extension agent is required.

Subjects Covered in this Plant Science Project

- Planting bulbs, developing a garden calendar, composting, judging, making a light stand, starting seeds indoors, cool season and warm season crops, soil preparation, plant identification and planning for exhibits.
- Additional lessons available in curriculum provided.
- Youth Development and project leader tips.

Adult Volunteer Commitment for the Pilot Project

- 4-H volunteer is VIP registered in local extension unit.
- Plan to participate in all live webinars (participation in 4 or more is required). Must review missed webinars online.
- Hold 5 project meetings with your project group (should be 3 or more youth).
- Share photos and information about your group.
- Participate in surveys about the process.
- Offer suggestions to improve/redesign the Plant Science Project Page for the State 4-H Website.

Schedule

- Registration/Application will be due by October 1, 2011 by Google Form.
- First webinar will be Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 8 p.m. CST
- Additional dates will be shared after the first webinar.

Computer and other Specs

- The webinars will be via Adobe Connect video conference system. Participants will need: A high-speed internet connection, a computer with a current Web browser like Internet Explorer and a pair of computer speakers.
- Participants will need a telephone to participate in the simultaneous conference call.

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