

Laveen Pathfinders 4-H Club

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

CLOVERBUDS:

This project is only open to 5-7 year olds and is the only project in which children of this age group may be enrolled. The Cloverbuds project introduces members to the 4-H program and gives them the opportunity to learn about various projects offered through 4-H by participating in a variety of club activities, events and workshops. They are welcome at almost all club activities and there will be Cloverbud specific activities as well. Cloverbuds project is non-competitive.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES (FCS) PROJECT GROUP:

➤ **COOKING/FOOD SCIENCE:**

This area includes projects on Cooking and Food Science (each enrolled separately). Learn about baking, cooking, nutrition, how to read nutrition labels, how to read and follow recipes, the equipment and tools used in baking and cooking and much, much more. Cake Decorating and Food Preservation is also explored. Activities include Consumer Decision Making (CDM) as it relates to evaluating food and nutrition labels with regard to dietary needs.

➤ **GARDENING:**

Projects in this area of study include Floriculture (growing flowers), Flower Arranging, Herb Gardening, Indoor Plants and Vegetable Gardening. Gardening of all types is explored including plot gardening, container gardening, hydroponic gardening and more. Learn about soils, amendments, growing seasons and other considerations. Get your green thumb on!

➤ **SEWING:**

This project allows members to learn about sewing, including fashion and shopping. Activities include learning about fabric care, garment construction, fashion, savvy shopping, selecting outfits for a specific purpose and more. Clothing construction, quilting and other sewing projects are included.

SMALL ANIMAL PROJECT GROUP:

➤ **SMALL STOCK:**

This project includes all small animal species listed below which may be kept as breeding and show animals as well as pets. The focus is on learning about each small animal, their proper handling and care, breed standards, and sharing their passion for their animals with others. Animals with asterisk (*) are considered Small Stock and offer greater show opportunities and as well as fair opportunities not available to Companion Pets. Animal ownership is not required, but highly encouraged. Each project must be enrolled in separately.

- **Cavy (Guinea Pig)***
- **Goat (Dairy & Pygmy)***
- **Poultry (Chicken, Ducks, Geese, Pigeon, Quail, Turkey)***
- **Rabbit***

➤ **COMPANION PETS:**

This project includes all small animal species listed both above and below, most of which are kept primarily as pets. The focus is on learning about each small animal, their proper handling and care, and sharing the pet experience with others. Dog Project also offers additional opportunities. Animal ownership is not required, but highly encouraged. Each project must be enrolled in separately.

- **Cat**
- **Companion Animals (Birds, Fish, Gerbils, Hamsters, Mice, Rats, Reptiles/Amphibians, etc.)**
- **Dog**

VISUAL ARTS PROJECT GROUP:

➤ **ARTS & CRAFTS:**

The Arts & Crafts project area offers a wide array of visual and expressive art forms to explore. Included but not enrolled as separate projects are Fiber Arts, Fine Arts and Leathercraft. Members are encouraged to try a variety of types and techniques of Arts & Crafts projects to discover their passions.

➤ **PHOTOGRAPHY:**

This project includes all aspects of Photography. Members learn the basics of photography equipment, the elements of lighting, composition, perspective and more. Members also learn to evaluate their own work and to prepare items for competition and display.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AREAS:

These project disciplines are incorporated into all other 4-H project work and not offered as separate projects.

Citizenship – This area focuses on developing good citizenship skills – being a productive, active and engaged member of society.

Community Service/Service Learning - Service Learning – giving back to your community through service to others (often called Community Service) is explored. Members develop and implement Community Service projects throughout the year.

Entrepreneurship - This area focuses on developing project area skills into business opportunities.

Leadership - This area focuses on developing effective leadership skills – Junior, Teen and beyond.

Public Speaking/Communications – This area focuses on developing communications skills through a variety of mediums, including spoken and written. This includes Communication Arts, Creative Writing, Journalism, Public Speaking and Storytelling.

Cloverbuds	Small Animal/Pet
Cloverbuds	Cat
FCS (Family & Consumer Sciences)	Cavy*
Cooking	Companion Pets
Food Science	Dog
Gardening	Goat - Dairy*
Sewing	Goat - Pygmy*
Personal Development	Poultry*
Citizenship	Rabbit*
Community Service	Visual Arts
Entrepreneurship	Arts & Crafts
Leadership	Photography
Public Speaking	