Martinez Middle School - Horticulture Team

Schedule

Care/Maintenance

- 1. Each child will be responsible for multiple shifts during the week during class time. They will need to fertilize, water, rotate, prune, and pull weeds.
- 2. Coverage will be assigned for holidays.

Team Training

Team members should arrive Friday mornings by 8:15am. Advanced notice is required if you have a conflict and you're not able to attend.

Minimum Requirements

Competitions/Shows

Full participation is required for the Hillsborough County Fair (HCF) in November and the Florida State Fair in February. This also includes the seminars and setup/teardown for these two events.

<u>Plants</u>

- 1. It is your responsibility to PRINT out competition expectations from the HCF and FSF websites.
- 2. If you do not find a container onsite that you like, it is your responsibility to secure a container.
- 3. Students are responsible for registering their projects at shows and meeting all deadlines.
- 4. You are responsible for transporting your project to and from the fair.

Cost

Horticulture Project Fees

A project fee of \$25 payable to Martinez FFA Alumni will be due upon joining the team. If you're already on the team, this fee will be due the first week of school. These fees will be used to order team shirts and purchase shared items.

Feed

You will be responsible for purchasing and storing your specific fertilizer and feed.

Additional Cost

All show fees are the responsibility of the individual member.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Student Signature	Date

Photo Release

As a member of FFA, students will participate in many events throughout the year including activities on the land lab where there is video and photographic evidence of student activity. These photos may be used in the year book or other promotional materials such as grant/award applications. Additionally, there are cameras around the land lab for the purpose of monitoring the well-being and safety of the animals. If you do not wish for your child to be photographed, please inform the advisor in advance.

Infractions

Failure to complete these obligations will result in the following:

- 1. First infraction warning
 - a. Your first major mistake, such as, but not limited to not feeding, cleaning, etc. is considered a mistake.
- 2. Second infraction removal of the animal from the farm
 - a. The second major mistake is considered negligence and subject to removal from the farm within 72 hours.

We have read and understand the fees, expectations and obligations of joining and being a part of the Martinez FFA Horticulture Team. In addition, I authorize for my child to be videoed and photographed.

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