

Butte County 4-H Cloverleaf Newsletter Pandemic Update V



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Staff Note

Hello Butte County 4-H,

This message has essential information regarding updated safety guidelines since the State of California is now under a stay-at-home order. It is also to convey the current status of Butte County 4-H staff availability.

This portion will address staff availability and the next will address covid guidelines.

Some folks are already aware that everyone in my household contracted coronavirus in mid-November. Both while I was sick and after I was recovered I have been the primary caretaker to both of my parents and their household, primarily my father.

I want to extend special thanks to the Corron Family, Nick and Gail Bertagna, the Anchordoguy family, all of Lone Pine 4-H, and everyone else who has given us food and well wishes. The gratitude is humbling and very appreciated.

Since 11/24 my father has made seven separate trips to Enloe Medical Center amid myriad complications. This has forced me to take time off during an unfortunate period when our office is not fully staffed and we are without a 4-H Secretary. His future is uncertain, and every day is unique, but his overall prognosis looks good. I will communicate with CCL's and the 4-H community-at-large when my availability returns to normal.

Merry Christmas and/or Happy Holidays,

Ryan Cleland
Butte County 4-H

New COVID Guidelines

While our region of California is under a stay-at-home order ALL in-person meetings are prohibited whether they are held inside OR outside.

Any volunteer and/or member found in violation of this directive will immediately be subject to suspension from the Butte County 4-H Program.

This is by order of the University of California Ag and Natural Resources.

I hope that as we head into the holiday season this does not impact programming too much, but I cannot underscore the importance of following this directive enough. **Any type of virtual programming is still acceptable and highly encouraged.**

When our region is no longer under the stay-at-home order, and the State Office informs 4-H Staff how we will proceed, I will inform everyone immediately.

Until that time, please wear masks, be safe, and look out for your family and friends. I speak from experience that this virus is not one to be taken flippantly. It is serious, it is real, and it is deadly to all, especially older folks and those who are immunocompromised.

Wash Your Hands!

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