River Valley Area Community Gardens, Inc. 900 N. Westmor St., P.O. Box 611 Spring Green, WI 53588

Busy Bees Gardening Club

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians, Teachers, 4-H Club Leaders, Scout Leaders, Youth Leaders

The RVACG believes the future of gardening lies in the youth of the community. Therefore, it has created a 2 tier Youth Gardening program for children living in the River Valley School District.

The Busy Bees Gardening Club is for children ages 3 through Grade 4.

Each Busy Bee will receive a 2 x 4 raised bed in which they may plant veggies or flowers. The RVACG will provide seeds and seedlings for the children to plant. Throughout the summer the children will learn about plants, soil, caring for their gardens, pollinators, pests, and weeding. The children are required to take care of their bed, watering and weeding as needed, and clearing the bed after harvest in the fall.

The program will start with a Meet and Greet on Sunday May 19 from 3:30-4:30 pm when we will get to meet each other, locate our gardens and plant some cool weather tolerant veggies and flowers. The summer program will run Tuesdays from 9:15-10:15 am from June 4 through July 23. The program will end with a recognition ceremony and family potluck picnic on Sunday July 28 from 4:30-6 pm. We have a field trip to Steadfast Acres, Lone Rock (corner of Hwy 130 and CTY JJ), scheduled on Aug 6 at 9:15.

Further questions or requests for applications will be answered by contacting the RVACG at rvbusybees24@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Committee Members

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