FYN TOPIC    Edible Gardening 4-H Club in Lehigh Acres

Question: I’ve always had an interest in gardening and seed sprouting that I’d like my kids, who are 8 and 10 years old, to also learn. Is there a local 4-H club tailored to growing food in a garden?  Alex H. Lehigh Acres

Answer: There is a newly formed 4-H Club for youth 8-18 years of age whose primary focus is edible Gardening. The vegetable, fruit and herb growing 4-H project club is in Lehigh Acres at Veteran’s Park. Called the 4-H Lehigh Acres Edible Exchange, the club uses gardening space right in the park. 4-H adult leaders include several Lee County Master Gardeners trained by the extension service and 4-H office. The 4-H gardening club meets from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the third Thursday of every month at Veterans Park Recreational Center, 55 Homestead Road South in Lehigh Acres. They meet prior to a monthly gathering of adults that’s called the Lehigh Acres Edible Exchange. The cost to join this 4-H Club is $1 for the remainder of this year only. The next club meeting is March 21. For more information, email ilovelehighacres@gmail.com or contact the 4-H office at 533-7516.

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http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/FYN/FYNHome.shtml
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