Position #0001-4139                                      Extension Agent I, II, or III
4-H Youth Development                                      Bonifay, Florida
Holmes County (Northwest Extension District)

Application deadline: January 12, 2007* or until position if filled

The 4-H agent will assume overall leadership in planning, developing, conducting, teaching and evaluating the 4-H youth program in Holmes County. The 4-H program includes a broad range of youth development programs such as leadership and citizenship, animal science, environmental education, and volunteer recruitment and training. County 4-H programs are based on local input from a 4-H youth advisory committee. This agent is expected to maintain an active and effective 4-H volunteer leader group. Support of volunteers in raising private funds to support 4-H programs is also expected.

The 4-H agent must work effectively with a diverse audience and include all segments of the youth population. The successful candidate will assume other responsibilities that benefit the total county extension program as assigned by and will report to the Holmes County Extension Director and the Northwest District Extension Director.

Holmes County is centrally located in the panhandle of Northwest Florida. Holmes County has a rural population of 18,564, with a K-12 population of approximately 4,275 youth. Several fresh water springs along with the winding Choctawhatchee River enhance the natural resources of the area making Holmes County an appealing location for family activities.

A Bachelor’s degree in youth development, family and consumer sciences, agricultural education, agriculture, environmental education, or closely related field is required. A Masters degree is preferred. Course work in youth development and youth experience is preferred. The successful candidate should have a strong commitment to education. The 4-H agent must be willing to work irregular hours, evenings and weekends; occasional overnight travel required as well as travel with a personal vehicle. The successful candidate must be able to obtain, before employment and maintain a valid Florida Driver’s license.

Holmes County residency is preferred and the agent is expected to be an active member of the community. The University of Florida will conduct a criminal background check on all finalists.