Position # 99990106
4-H Youth Development                 Volusia County (Central District)
Courtesy Extension Agent I or II     DeLand, Florida
Application Deadline:  March 1, 2007

RESPONSIBILITIES
The successful 4-H candidate will be responsible for providing leadership in the planning, development, implementation and evaluation of a comprehensive, county 4-H youth development program in cooperation with local citizens and county/state Extension colleagues. The agent will support School/Special Interest Education Programs, 4-H camping programs, and community clubs. The 4-H agent will provide leadership to the 4-H animal science program and support the Volusia County Fair and Youth Show animal science programs. Target programs to achieve program balance reflective of the county’s population diversity and to address the unique educational needs of the county’s residents. The agent will supervise, approve time and labor reports, and coordinate and evaluate assignments for the 4-H Program Assistant. Provide leadership for managing private financial resources to support 4-H programming. Provide leadership for management of all program components including program policies, enrollments and records, risk management, communications and educational materials. The agent will recruit, train, supervise and evaluate 4H volunteers and volunteer leaders. The successful candidate for this position will work with the 4-H Program Advisory Committee and the Overall Extension Advisory Committee. The successful candidate will, from time to time, assume other responsibilities that benefit the total county extension program as assigned by the County Extension Director.

This is a 100% County funded position. Volusia County requires that the individual reside in Volusia County within six months after being employed.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
Bachelor's Degree in Youth Development, Animal Science, Education, Family and Consumer Science, Science Education (Environmental, Natural, or Marine), or closely related field is required. Master's Degree preferred. Previous 4-H or youth work experience preferred.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS
• Knowledge of principles, practices, and techniques relating to area of assignment.
• Knowledge of application and uses of machinery and equipment, including computer applications and programs.
• Ability to observe and analyze problems relating to area of specialty, and make constructive recommendations for solutions of the problems.
• Ability to present ideas and recommendations clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing. Ability to make presentations to public and media.
• Ability to establish effective working relationships with residents, volunteers, political officials, and other interested stakeholders.

ADA REQUIREMENTS
• Physical demands – Sedentary to heavy work depending on area of assignment. Ability to see and talk. May require the ability to hear, taste, lift, carry, grasp, feel, handle, walk, stand, and reach without help.
• Environmental demands – Inside and outside work depending on area of assignment. May require exposure to inclement weather (heat, cold, rain, humidity) sand, dust, odors, animal excrement, uneven/undeveloped terrain, and chemicals.

HOW TO APPLY
1) An application with Volusia County Government is required by the deadline date. Please refer to and fill out on-line an application for the Extension position at http://volusia.org/personnel. 2) You will be required to fill out a University of Florida job application by the deadline date as well. Panel interviews with University faculty will be required should you qualify. Please refer to the IFAS web site at http://personnel.ifas.ufl.edu/howtoapply.htm.

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