

Pollinator Day Activity Instructions

Here are your instructions to complete the four Pollinator Day activities. There are also instructional videos found at <https://www.sunnysidemg.org/pollinator-day> Please take pictures and share them with us on Facebook at Purdue Extension Floyd County. We want to see everyone having fun!

Pollinator Mask

From Xerces Society www.xerces.org/education

Materials provided: large mask, small mask, crayons, pipe cleaners

Materials not provided: scissors

Step 1: Color both the large mask and the small mask

Step 2: Cut out both masks and cut out the spaces for the eye holes.

Step 3: Fold the tabs on the side.

Step 4: Use the pipe cleaners provided to make the headbands for the masks.

Step 5: Wear your mask and give the small mask to one of your stuffed animals so you can celebrate pollinators together!

Flying Bat Straw Rockets

From Buggy and Buddy <https://buggyandbuddy.com/flying-bat-straw-rockets/>

Materials provided: Paper straw, tape (for Pollinator Day, this is a label), plastic pipette, crayons, bat template, and bat sticker

Materials not provided: scissors

Step 1: Color your bat

Step 2: Cut out your bat

Step 3: Cut off the bottom of the pipette so that the pipette isn't longer than the bat. Attach the pipette to the back of the bat with the bulb end by the bat's head. Attach the pipette with tape. You can use the bat sticker provided to place on top of the tape.

Step 4: Slip the straw into the pipette or over the pipette. It depends on which size straw you received.

Step 5: Blow into the straw and watch your bat fly!

Pumpkin Decorating

Materials provided: pumpkin and stickers

Step 1: Use the stickers to decorate your pumpkin

Step 2: Take a picture of you and your pumpkin and share with us on social media.

Plantable Paper Seed Craft

From Powerful Mothering <https://www.powerfulmothering.com/plantable-paper-seed-craft/>

Materials provided: tissue paper in the shape of a flower, flower seeds

Materials not provided: water, spray bottle

Step 1: Lay out tissue paper so you have two sets of flowers.

Step 2: Pick two pieces of tissue paper and mist them lightly with water.

Step 3: Sprinkle seeds on the two misted pieces of tissue paper.

Step 4: Press the dry pieces of tissue paper on top of the seed covered tissue paper. Make sure that the top piece and bottom piece stick together.

Step 5: Allow the tissue paper to dry.

Step 6: You can plant the flower. You can either plant it in a pot or in the ground. Make sure you mark where you plant it at because it might not sprout until next spring. The flowers will only need to be covered with an inch or so of soil.

Thank you for participating in our virtual Pollinator Day activities. Please complete the event survey found at <https://www.sunnysidemg.org/pollinator-day> so we can plan a better event for next year.