

The 2022 growing season has begun and is continuing with many of the same challenges for all of us, including you, our customers. We are hoping we can provide a little joy with some of our creations this spring, and we certainly need your continued support of our program and the VIC's as well. With that being said, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we continue to have in place some of the same changes designed for your safety, and the safety of the volunteers. This is a list of procedures we need to adhere to in order to be in compliance with the social distancing rules and mitigation policies for the State of Minnesota and Ramsey County. This is in line with the CDC rules and the Department of Agriculture rules for garden centers and nurseries as well.

- When possible, we would like to limit the number of people in a greenhouse to 10 at any given time. Your cooperation will be appreciated and we may need to ask you to wait. We also ask that you try to maintain the 6' distance whenever possible. Volunteers will be wearing masks. We encourage customers to bring and wear their own masks for their safety.
- We encourage the use of disposable gloves. These will be available if needed.
- We will have hand sanitizer stations available in multiple locations inside of greenhouses and around the sales shed.
- Hand sanitizer is available in the portable toilets as well.
- Disinfectant will be available to clean the carts between uses.
- We are asking that families limit the number of family members shopping at one time. This gives us the opportunity to serve more customers in a timely fashion and decrease any potential wait time.
- Please follow and obey any parking directions that are in place. We will attempt to have volunteers helping with traffic direction. One entrance, one exit driveway.
- We will increase the "signing limit" for debit cards to \$75, up from \$25, to help eliminate contacts.
- We want to eliminate cash sales as much as possible, less money handling. Debit, credit or check preferable.
- We will have one dedicated loading area for all purchases.
- Simplified pricing, fewer price points.

Thank you!