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*SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT*

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More than 400 RHS students picked up materials for their Ag courses during a recent drive-through event thanks to FFA leadership students.

The supplies, distributed by FFA leadership members in face masks and uniforms, were for Floral Design, Woodshop Construction, and plant materials for their Agriscience research projects. Freshman also received activity booklets for this week's virtual Greenhand Bootcamp (freshman are known as "Greenhands" attend the camp to learn about opportunities in the FFA) that will take place live on Zoom every day this week.

The FFA officers and Ag department developed the in-person outreach. It takes place once a month so students can pick up materials that keep them involved in the FFA program and their Ag classes.

"We've worked together to develop hands-on activities and at-home projects that the students can continue to be engaged in and develop skills," said agriculture teacher Amy Guerra. "These events keep our students and department motivated during distance learning."

FFA Apparel was also on display for students to purchase.

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