

**Terms:**

- **Annual:** occurring once every year.
- **Biennial:** taking place every other year.
- **Perennial:** lasting or existing for a long time.
- **Native:** lives there naturally.

Black-Eyed Susans  
*Rudbeckia*

**Sources of Information:**

- <https://www.gardendesign.com/>
- <https://idfg.idaho.gov/species/>
- <https://www.buzzaboutbees.net/>

**Collaborators for this Project:**

- Council Elementary and Middle School Students
- Adams Soil and Water Conservation District
- Council Garden Club

Council Middle School

## Plant Classification

- **Perennials**
- Idaho **native**
- **Family:** Daisy

## Plant Characteristics:

- **Plant height:** 1-3 feet tall
- **Spread/spacing:** 12-18 inches
- **Bloom color:** bright yellow, gold, or bronze
- **Bloom time:** June to September

## Preferred Growing Conditions

- **Exposure:** 6-8 hours of sun per day
- **Watering:** water when the top inch of soil is dry.
- **Soil type:** almost any type of soil except for soggy soil.

## Plant Care:

- **Fertilizing:** Miracle grow, Shake'n Feed, Roses and Bloom Plant Food.
- **Pruning/Deadheading:** Deadhead the flowers once it dies

**Possible Plant Pests:** aphids

## Possible Pollinators:

Phyciodes Tharos



**How to Identify:** Orange color with black edged wings

Bombyliidae



**How to Identify:** yellow, and fuzzy/fluffy

Anoplius Samariensis



**How to Identify:** Black and white with orange legs

## Why are pollinators important?

Pollinators are important because they help with reproduction so more flowers can grow.

## How can you participate in the Pollinator Project?

1. Plant pollinator plants
2. Send photos of pollinators visiting your plants to Adams Soil and Water Conservation District website (<https://www.adamsconservationdistrict.org/>)
3. Participate in the Bumble Bee Watch Citizen Science Program
  - a. Visit: (<https://www.bumblebeewatch.org/>)
  - b. Participate in Bumble Bee Workshop held at the Council Community Garden on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 from 9-11 am.



4. Participate in the Pollinator Scavenger Hunt in the Community Garden on Friday, June 25, 2021 from 9-11 am.