

## HATCHING CHICKS TRAINING

**Location** - Set away from windows, heat or drafts. Set where air can circulate around it.

**Temperature** - Keep between 101 and 102

**Water** - Keep container full - luke warm temperature

**Incubator** - Plug in on Thursday and no later than Friday morning and begin to regulate temperature, fill container full with warm water. The eggs need a lot of humidity. Please return the incubator no later than April 25 to the Extension Office.

**Egg Delivery** - The eggs will be delivered the following Monday, April 7.

**Egg Care** - I will mark eggs - turn at least 3 times

-suggest teacher turn first in the morning

-have students turn twice during the day

-teacher turn last thing before leaving

**Please wash your hands before and after you turn the eggs.**

**Friday Care** - We sponge provided with lukewarm water and place under light bulb - do not turn eggs after this time.

**Chicks** - The chicks should begin to hatch on Monday. Have your brooder box ready before leaving on Friday. The temperature needs to be 90 to 95 degrees in the brooder box. Leave chicks in incubator until they start to fluff up. If the chick begins to pant, turn temperature down or open door to get fresh air in.

**Resources** - Hatching Chick literature.

Do not give chicks to students.

Clean Incubator when project is completed. Do not use the sponge provided to clean the incubator.

**Enrollment Form** - In each book is an enrollment form to be completed. Please have this done by the completion of the project.

**Certificates** - Each student will be provided a certificate. When you return your incubator, you will be given your certificates. Please let me know if you do not want certificates for your class.