Adams County Beekeepers Association 2017 Beekeeping Mentor/ Scholarship Program

Monthly Hive Inspection Form/ Report

Date:_____Overall weather for month:_____

Observations from outside of hive: What did I see before I looked inside the hive? What kinds of things indicate "all is well" or "possible trouble"

Feeding: How many pounds of sugar per hive did I feed my bees? How do I know when to start and when to stop feeding? How fast did they take the food?______

Hive temperament: What does the hive temperament tell me about the bees? What factors seem to make for a good or bad "mood" of the hive?

Brood Laying Pattern: What should I look for in a brood pattern? Where is brood usually located? Honey? Pollen? How many frames of brood per box should the hive have to be healthy?_____

Eggs/ larva: What does presence of eggs indicate? How do I find the eggs? How do I tell how old the larvae are? What does a queen cell look like? Where are they located? How do I find the queen?_____

What do Varroa Mites look like? Hive beetles? Where do I look for them? What do I do I see them? How many are too many?

Population: What does population size indicate about the hive? What did I do to try and build the hive population? ______