



Iowa State University Extension

in **MONONA COUNTY**



Our **MISSION**

ISU Extension builds partnerships and provides research-based learning opportunities to improve quality of life in Iowa

Local Presence



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Local Presence

Extension Field Specialists

Ag & Natural Resources

Families

4-H & Youth Development

Communities

Business & Industry

Access to State Extension Specialists

Local Presence

Locally Elected & Governed

Nine member Extension Council



In **Monona COUNTY**

We carry out this mission by
building relationships
with people and organizations.

We **exchange ideas and
information** with those
we serve.





In **Monona COUNTY**

We educate people with
reliable facts and
processes that are based on
science and proven research.



Agriculture & Natural Resources

Helping Iowans
profitably
produce
food and fiber
while protecting
the environment



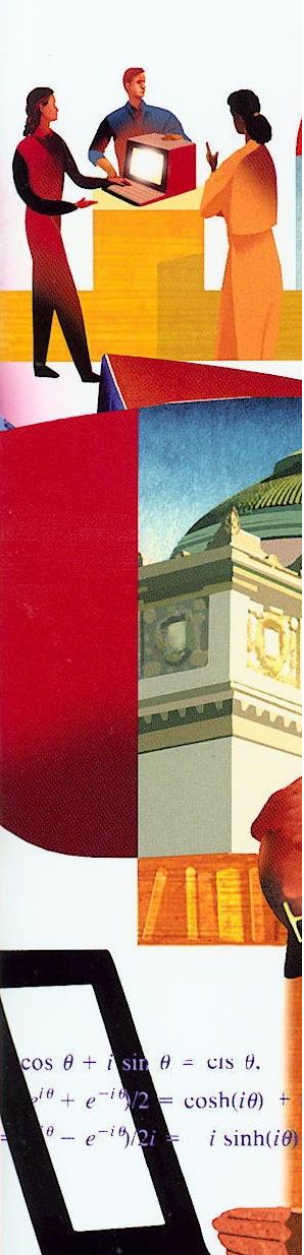
Families

Committed to strengthening Iowa's rural and urban families to meet the challenge of the changing world.



Communities

Helps
organizations
and local
governments
build better
places to
live, work, and play.



Business & Industry

Building connections to success for Iowans in manufacturing, construction, value added ag, utilities, and businesses



Continuing Education Communication Services

Develops
and delivers
educational
opportunities
and materials for
lifelong learners
around
the world.



4-H Youth Development



Helps youth learn to use their heads, hearts, hands, and health to improve themselves, their communities, country, and world.



Approaches to 4-H Youth Development

PREVENTION

Focus: Risks & Risk Factors

Target: Social Norms & Communities

Goal: Eliminate or Reduce Problems

Focus: Skills & Knowledge

Target: Individual Learners

Goal: Competency in knowledge or skill

Focus: Developmental Needs

Target: Opportunities for Youth

Goal: Maturity

EDUCATION

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Positive Youth Development

Helping young people become contributing, competent, connected, caring, confident, and capable through a series of progressive learning experiences with caring adults.

1. Sustained, positive adult-youth relations
2. Skill building activities
3. Youth participation and leadership

Iowa 4-H Youth Development Plan

1. Plan, implement and evaluate progressive series of educational programs and experiences that work toward multiple life skill outcomes.
2. Positive youth development programs focus on connecting young people with caring adults and involving them over an extended period of time.

Iowa 4-H Youth Development Plan

3. Reach new and under-served audiences.
4. Goal is to move youth into long-term sustained programs.
5. Staff will work with state and community organizations and leaders to assist them in creating positive youth development environments which will engage youth in decision-making roles.

8 Elements Meet the 4 Needs

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| <p>Belonging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Positive relationship with a caring adult• An inclusive environment• A safe environment | <p>Mastery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engagement in learning• Opportunity for mastery |
| <p>Independence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity to see oneself as an active participant in the future• Opportunity for self determination | <p>Generosity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity to value and practice service for others |

Outcomes of the 4-H Experience



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
University Extension

Helping Iowans become their best.

What do youth gain from 4-H?

- Knowledge
- Citizenship
- Communication
- Leadership
- Personal Life Management

our reason

Needs of Youth



our method

8 Essential Elements



our results

5 Outcomes

- Generosity
- Independence
- Mastery
- Belonging



- Caring Adult
- Futuristic
- Safe Environment
- Opportunity for Mastery
- Service
- Engagement
- Inclusive
- Self-Determination

- Knowledge
- Citizenship
- Communication
- Leadership
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Celebrations!

4-H is a **community** of  **young people**
across America who are
learning **leadership, citizenship** and
life skills.



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Ricochet Community Leader Panel Members 2008

Ryan Dumkreiger, Whiting

Bob Haack, Whiting

Geri Johnson, Onawa

Jeff Pratt, Onawa

Kate Garred, Whiting



Why Join Ricochet?

- Learn new things
- Meet new people
- Learn about myself
- Learn to work with others as a team
- Become a leader
- Help me find my own style
- FUN – Interesting
- New way to learn with others
- Be with my friend
- Gain new leadership skills
- Learn what kind of leader I can be
- Learn more for future goals



How I Will Use Ricochet

- Become leader to peers
- Set good example to younger kids
- Plan activities in community for youth
- Help others learn to be leaders
- Communicate my ideas
- Be a better member in groups
- Gain confidence to get involved
- Learn skills to help community
- Gain ideas for community service
- Volunteering in community
- Become a contributing adult

Qualities of Leaders

Brave

Lead by example

Keep learning

Manage Stress

Accessible

Try to help

Responsible

Listen to others

Involved

Follow through

Willing when asked

Offer ideas

Care about others

Support whole county

Able to be criticized

Think and say the right things

Open Minded

Ask "What can I do for my community"



Dimensions of Leadership Development

1. Leadership Information
2. Leadership Attitude
3. Communication Skills
4. Decision-making Skills
5. Stress-management Skills

ISU Extension in

Monona COUNTY

- We listen to people's concerns and work together to define the issues.
- ISU conducts the research important to you.
- We provide the results to the people of Monona County.
- We call it **engagement.**

ISU Extension in

Monona COUNTY

- We are committed to offering creative programs and innovative delivery.
- We encourage others to look for opportunities, to be resourceful, and to take calculated risks.
- We expect the same from ourselves.
- We call it **entrepreneurship**.

ISU Extension in

Monona COUNTY

- We maintain a local office in Onawa, the county seat.
- We are available to work with **all** people and communities.
- Our staff, council members, and volunteers tailor ISU Extension's efforts to address local needs.
- We call it **local presence**.

Local Presence

Access our office and our resources via:

- Telephone – 712-423-2175
- Visit our office – 119 Iowa Avenue
Onawa
- E-mail – xmonona@iastate.edu
- The Internet –
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