

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 17-22 Extension Week

April 20
Fair Prep Meeting for Leaders

4:00—5:00 pm 7:30—8:30 pm Extension Office

April 20

Annual Leader Training
5:30—7:00 pm
Extension Office

May 6

Sheep/Meat Goat Weigh-In 8:00 am—Noon Boone County Fairgrounds

Boone County Fair July 20-23

April 2023

A Note from Natalie Hedlund, County 4-H Coordinator:

Fairbook Thank You

Thank you to the following donors for covering the cost of fairbook printing: Wyffel Hybrid, Farm Credit Services of America and the Boone Veterinary Hospital. The Boone County Fairbook contains the rules for showing at the Boone County Fair. Each 4-H family will receive one fairbook. Contact your club leader at the end of April to make arrangements for pick up. Check out next month's 4-H newsletter for a summary of rule changes.

Communications Day this year will be June 12th starting at 2:00 pm at the Extension Office. June 12th is not a typo. Communications Day includes Educational Presentations, Extemporaneous Speaking and Public Speaking. Entries will be due June 1st for this event. **Fashion Day** will be on July 10th with judging in the morning and the style show including Share the Fun Acts in the evening at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Entries for Fashion Day will be due July 1st.

"Optimism is essential to achievement and it is also the foundation of courage and true progress." – Nicholas M. Butler

Have fun this month!

As always, please let me know if you have any questions regarding 4-H! natm@iastate.edu or 515.432.3882

Animal Identification

4-H animals must be identified in 4honline 2.0 by $May 15^{th}$ (excluding poultry and small pets) in order to be shown at the County or State Fair. Rabbits must be identified in 4honline 2.0 by $July 1^{st}$.

Helpful Hints:

- All bolded fields must be complete online in order to save the animal, which is required to properly ID it.
- If animals are <u>not</u> owned by the exhibitor or in partnership with a family member, a **Lease Agreement** must be submitted to the Extension Office by May 15th and approved.
- **Sheep and meat goat** IDs must be completed in 4honline 2.0 **by the exhibitor** by May 15th. Same as last year.
- If you don't have access to a computer, please make an appointment with Extension Staff to complete your IDs at our office.
- Natalie is available to help you through this process. Email her at natm@iastate.edu or call 515.432.3882.

Swine Identification

All 4-H pigs must be tagged! This year, all pigs must have a USDA 840 tag. Tags can be purchased from the Extension Office. Pigs must be tagged and Identified in 4honline by May 15th in order to exhibit at county and/or state fair.

\$2 per tag for County Fair only pigs

\$8 per DNA sample for State Fair pigs (DNA samples are not tags this year so you will also need a tag)

More details about swine was emailed out to members enrolled in the Swine Project Area.

Rabbit Tattooing

When: Saturday, June 3rd in the morning Where: Rabbit Building at Fairgrounds

Time: Schedule your appointment by calling Mindy Moeller at 515.230.0314.

Any rabbits needing tattooed after June 4th will be charged \$5 per rabbit. Rabbits must be tattooed by July 1 and identified in 4honline 2.0 by July 1st.

Poultry Pullorum Testing

When: Friday, June 9th (evening) and Saturday, June 10th in the morning

Where: Rabbit Building at Fairgrounds

Time: Schedule your appointment by calling Kim Rhodes at 515.669.0874. **Cost:** \$2 per bird, covers cost of testing supplies and bedding for county fair.

All Birds coming to the fair have to be tested (except meat birds). Refer to the fairbook for more details.

Sheep and Meat Goat Weigh in

When: May 6 | 8:00 am—Noon

Where: Fairgrounds

Who: All market and commercial ewe lambs as well as meat goats must be weighed, tagged and have ID forms completed. 4-H Families must complete animal ID in 4honline 2.0 after weigh in.

All sexually intact animals brought to weigh-in must have an official scrapie tag in their ear

State Fair: Any animal potentially being shown at the State Fair must be retinal imaged. This will cost \$5/head.

Aerospace Interest Group

Would you like to learn how a rocket works or launch a rocket that you built? Check out the Aerospace Interest Group!

Who: 4th-12th graders are invited to participate! Here are the different divisions: (Max of 12 per division)

- Beginners will assemble a basic, high performance Alpha® model rocket
- Beginners will also enjoy learning the different parts of a rocket, observing the basics of launch and forces (gravity, thrust, lift, drag), and practicing model rocket safety
- 2nd year members will build a Big Bertha[™] rocket
- 3rd year members will build a Bull Pup 12D™ rocket
- 4th year members will build a Centuri rocket
- 5th year members will build a Super Nova
- 6th Year and above members will build an Xtreme

When and Where:

- Build rockets on Saturdays, April 22 and May 13 at the Boone County ISU Extension Office
 - Beginners and 2nd years arrive at 9:00 am
 - 3rd year and above members from 10:30 to 11:30 am
- Sanding, priming rockets, and finishing tips on Saturday, May 27 at the Boone County Fairgrounds in the Commercial Building
 - Beginners and 2nd years arrive at 9:00 am
 - 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th & above years can prime rockets from 10:00 to11:00 am (come and go)
- Judged Launch on Sunday, June 11 beginning at 5:30 pm at the Boone County Fairgrounds
 - Date is weather permitting rain/wind date for judged launch is Sunday, June 25

Cost: \$25 which covers supplies to build and launch rockets (make checks payable to Boone County Extension)

Registration: Register online https://tinyurl.com/55jaufys

Registration is not complete until the \$25 Registration Fee is received at Boone County Extension- 1327 SE Marshall Street, Boone, IA 50036.

For More Information: Contact Boone County Extension at 515.432.3882 or natm@iastate.edu

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Required Training

Required Certification: All 4-H beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goats, rabbits, poultry exhibitors must be Youth for the Quality Care of Animals certified by July 1st. The YQCA training is \$12/person per year and can be completed online at https://yqcaprogram.org/

Training is based on the exhibitors age, not their grade, with a test at the end that must be passed. After completing training, a certificate of completion will be available for download. These certificates must be emailed, mailed or dropped off to Natalie Hedlund, 4-H Coordinator: natm@iastate.edu or 1327 SE Marshall St, Boone 50036.

If any families would like to come into the Extension Office to utilize their computers to complete the training, they need to make an appointment with Natalie by calling 515.432.3882 or by emailing natm@iastate.edu.

2023 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Registration Open

Registration is OPEN for the 2023 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference



Join the State 4-H Council at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference, "Spy Your Potential," taking place in Ames on the campus of Iowa State University, June 27-29! 🍀 🎤

This conference is planned BY youth FOR youth in grades 8th-12th - open to all youth (not just 4-H members)! Prepare to build your future with tools gained at the conference in the form of educational workshops, keynote sessions, service-learning, new friends, and more! 🥕 🥒 💼

Registration deadline is June 1, 2023, in 4HOnline. Boone County 4-H will pay 2/3 of the cost of this event so families only pay \$75/member for this three day event!



Check the website for more details https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference





Calling all 8th-12th grade youth!



Register in 4HOnline by June 1!

Tri-County Camp Registration Open

It is time to register for "Giddy On Up to the Wild West" Tri-County 4-H Camp

Three fun-filled days of wild west theme-based and out-What:

> door activities including swimming, climbing wall, canoeing, archery, zipline, slingshots, fort, outdoor cooking, arts

and plenty of good food! Family members are invited to the Friday evening BBQ, closing ceremony, and campfire

with S'mores.

All youth completing 4th, 5th, or 6th grades this spring Who:

from Boone, Hardin, Marshall and Story Counties. Youth do not need to be 4-H members to partici-

pate. Invite a friend to register and list as a cabinmate.

Wednesday, August 9, 9:00 a.m. to Friday, August 11, 8:30 p.m. When:

Check-in August 9: 9:00-10:00 am

Check-out August 11: 5:30 pm, followed by Family BBQ Meal and Camper Recognition

Where: Y Camp northwest of Boone, 1192 166th Drive Boone, IA 50036

\$150 for 4-H Club Members (County pays \$75 per member) Cost:

\$225 for youth who are not 4-H members

Financial assistance application available on website

Registration deadline is July 19, 2023.

Directions are under Registration at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/youth-outreach

Download the Parent Information Letter with All Forms that include directions for completing forms, camp procedures, packing list and camp maps.

All forms needed for registration are within one fillable PDF document. Please "Save As" the camper's name. Either complete the fillable form or print and complete.

Forms include:

Registration form

Camper Health History and Copy of the front and back of insurance card

Request for Medications Form

Water Activity Waiver

Camper Participation Form

Camper Release Form

Parent Confidential Form

Store Form (turn in with money at camp check in)

All these documents and registration fees must be received by July 19, 2023, at:

ISU Extension and Outreach, Boone County

1327 SE Marshall Street

Boone, Iowa 50036

Questions: Please contact Camp Coordinators Annette Brown, 4-H Youth Development Specialist, at annbrown@iastate.edu or 515-432-3882 Ext. 6 or Katie Lubbert, Youth Program Specialist, at lubbert@iastat.edu



Host Families needed for States' 4-H Exchange Japanese Youth

We are seeking 8 lowa families to host 1 of 12 Japanese youth and 1 Japanese adult chaperone for 3.5 weeks this summer. Based on a complete cultural immersion model, youth are matched with a volunteer lowan family who wants to share their life with an international visitor. This program is designed to focus on daily life in lowa households. Host families do not need to plan special activities or sightseeing for their foreign delegate. Many delegates report that their favorite memories are those that cost nothing or very little. Host families will have the opportunity to participate in welcome orientations and departure events that are organized by the state 4-H office in Iowa. Host families who would like to host a youth for the 3.5-week summer program should have a child in the home between the ages of 11-17. They are paired with a Japanese child of the same gender and of an age within 3+ years of your child. Any family with an appropriate age child is welcome to apply!

Check out the website for arrival and departure dates as well as FAQ's and application details for potential host families https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/become-host-family

Hosting Application can be found here https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/

PHONE

HOURS

EMAIL

WEBSITE

Deadline to apply to be a host family is April 15, 2023, and Japanese youth delegates will be assigned to a host family by June 1, 2023.



to www.extension.iastate.edu/diversity/ext.