



POWESHIEK COUNTY 4-H NEWS

October 2021

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Oct 1– Enrollments Open

Oct 8– Record Books Due

October 16-18– Interview
Dates

16 th-10-12 pm
17th-3-5 pm
18th-5-7pm

Oct 3-9 4-H Week

Oct 23– Leaders
Meeting

Nov. 7 Awards Day
Methodist Church in
Montezuma – 3 pm



The theme of this year's National 4-H Week is Find Your Spark, which highlights how 4-H encourages kids to take part in hands-on learning experiences in areas such as health, science, agriculture and civic engagement. The positive environment provided by 4-H mentors ensures that kids within our communities are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles and are empowered with the skills to lead in life and career.

Activities that clubs may want to do are:

- Wear a 4-H shirt to school on a certain day.
- Make signs for 4-H leaders' offices to thank them for their volunteerism.
- Yard signs for members and volunteers, reuse these each year.
- Locker poster day.
- Social media challenges such as posting a 4-H memory.
- Thank you notes for someone who mentored them.
- Recruit a new member.



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4-H NATURE CLUB

WHO: 4th-12th Grade
COST: \$45 (scholarships are available)
TOPICS: This 4-H Club focuses on learning more about environmental topics while enjoying outdoor activities! This years theme will be:

***Animal Adaptations**

WHEN & WHERE

Montezuma:

October 18th
 November 22nd
 December 20th
 January 31st
 February 28th
 March 21st
 April 25th

Grinnell:

October 19th
 November 16th
 December 21st
 January 25th
 February 15th
 March 22nd
 April 19th

Brooklyn:

October 20th
 November 17th
 December 15th
 January 26th
 February 16th
 March 16th
 April 20th



**Join
 Poweshiek County
 Extension**

**&
 Poweshiek County
 Conservation
 for this fun adventure!**

3:30-5pm
 Montezuma School

3:30-5pm
 Grinnell Middle School

2:30-4pm
 Brooklyn School



REGISTER:

Contact Poweshiek County Extension at
 641.623.5188 or email poweshiek4h@iastate.edu



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Enrollment

4-H Enrollment

Enrollment is now open! The registration cost for the year is \$35 per youth for traditional clubs. Nature club will be \$45. There are scholarships available through the Extension Office! Please contact our office if you are in need of a scholarship. We can accept cash, check or we do have a square card reader now (Note: there is a service fee using card).

Link to enroll: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

(you will use same email and password that you did last year)

If you are coming to the office on a Friday or Monday, please call as we have a lot of trainings on Monday's and Friday's during October .. Vickie is only in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.



Clover Kid Enrollment

All Clover Kids will need to enroll on 4-H online! Enrollment will start October 1st.

Link to enroll: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

We have the following Clover Kid clubs: Sheridan (\$5), Sugar Creek (5), Lucky Clovers (\$15), Grinnell Afterschool, Montezuma Afterschool & Brooklyn Afterschool.

4-H & Clover Kid Club Requirements

Just a reminder all clubs must have the following:

- ♦ 5 youth from at least 3 different families
- ♦ Have an identified approved leader
- ♦ Meet at least 6 times a year.



4-H Programs

Davis Elementary After School 4-H Adventures

Enrollment is now open for youth in grades 3rd and 4th. The registration cost for the year is \$40. This hands on learning program will be held at Davis Elementary from 3 to 4:30 pm beginning on October 21st, then November 18th, December 16th, January 20th, February 17th, March 17th and April 21st.

Link to enroll: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

(you will use same email and password that you did last year)

Pioneer Grant

This grant is meant to stimulate local 4-H clubs to plan and carry out community improvement activities. If you and your club have a community service project in mind and would like some financial support to make that happen, here is your chance!

The grant is due to the Extension Office by January 16th, so we can get them to the State Office by the deadline! Here is the link to the application: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/pioneergrants>

On this website there is an information sheet and application tips! This is a great opportunity! Please let me know if you have any questions or need support in applying for this grant!

4-H Leaders Meeting

On Saturday October 23 the Poweshiek County 4-H leaders will meet in the Event Center of the Community Hope Church at 501 North Front St. in Montezuma.

Beginning at 9 a.m. Kim Kuester will discuss various 4-H programs. You will also meet our new program coordinators.



4-H Programming

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a program for all 4-H youth. It is specifically designed to support photographers that plan on participating in the photography project area at county fairs. Many Camera Corps participants go on to represent their counties at the state fair! Youth can sign up to participate by filling out the form on the [Camera Corps webpage](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/iowa-4-h-camera-corps). <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/iowa-4-h-camera-corps>

While learning you will make beautiful, powerful, and creative photographs of communities from across the state of Iowa. It is a valuable opportunity to practice your photography skills and receive public recognition and juror feedback on your creations monthly.

Each month, a photography theme is provided with a different focus. Technical tips and suggestions are provided to help you practice and create the most successful photographs for that theme. Jurors/Mentors provide individual feedback to each photographer about what is working well and ways they can keep



First State Bank Youth Heifer Program

First State Bank will grant three students from Jasper, Mahaska, Wapello and Poweshiek county, three bred heifers each. The program will span 5 years and during this time, recipients are responsible for the management of the herd to include daily care, records, and breeding. At the conclusion of the five years, recipients are responsible for paying back the market value of the three bred heifers as determined at the time of receipt.

Students in grades 7th, 8th, or 9th are invited to apply. This is an excellent opportunity for youth to increase their knowledge and interest in agriculture. For more information and to apply, check out the application on our facebook page or contact the Poweshiek County Extension office.

New Clover Kids Coordinator/Program Assistant



Hello, I'm Signey Hilby. I'm excited to be the new Poweshiek County ISU Extension and Outreach Clover Kids Coordinator and Program Assistant!

I grew up on a small family farm in Dubuque, Iowa. As a child I was always outside learning about and exploring the great outdoors. As a teenager my sense of adventure grew and I began exploring in new and more appropriate ways. I joined Venture Crew (a co-ed branch of The Boy Scouts of America) which allowed me to participate in many outdoor activities while also receiving the Triple Crown Award of National High Adventure.

In 2018, I graduated from Upper Iowa University with a double major in Environmental Science and Conservation Management. When I started college I didn't really have a specific career path in mind. It wasn't until my last year of college when I realized just how much environmental education experience my past adventures had given me.

Since graduating college I have gained environmental education experience while working as an ISU AmeriCorps Environmental Educator and as a Naturalist within the Iowa County Conservation System. These experiences have made me realize that my career goals are rooted in being able to work for an organization that empowers youth to reach their full potential.

With this being said, I am super excited to join the Poweshiek County ISU Extension and Outreach team. As a child I always wanted to join 4-H but was unable to because I was busy with other extra-curricular activities. Now, I have the opportunity to be involved with 4-H as a teacher, leader, and a mentor to the youth of Poweshiek County.

When not working I enjoy backpack camping, hiking, geocaching, horseback riding, traveling, and learning about other cultures.

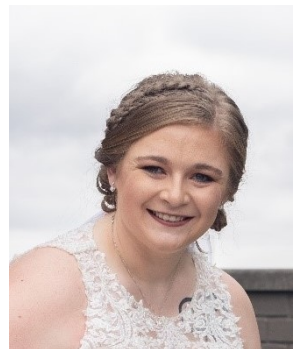
New County Youth Educator

I am Haley Princehouse your new County Youth Educator.

Growing up, I was involved in both 4-H and FFA. My project areas ranged from communications, and non-livestock, to sheep and dairy. These programs lead me to attend Iowa State University and major in Animal Science. I graduated from ISU in May 2019. During my summers, I was an intern at the Tama County extension office.

Recently, I got married to my husband, Garrett. We have a dog named Paisley Marie. In my spare time, I love to bake, craft, go biking, or hang out with my sheep.

I am excited to get to know everyone and share my knowledge and passion for 4-H with Poweshiek County! Please stop in and introduce yourselves, I would love to meet you all!



Yard Signs



4-H YARD SIGNS For Sale



Each sign is approximately 12" by 12" (without stake)

Show Your 4-H Pride!

Signs are \$25 each

(Free delivery available to local extension offices, including Jasper, Poweshiek, Mahaska, Marion, Iowa, Union, Adair, Madison, Dallas, and Marshall counties.)

Questions?

Please call (641)990-6857.

Signs are made of 12 gauge steel with a vinyl decal applied that's made to last 7-10 years outside.

ORDER FORM

NAME _____
PHONE _____

FUNDS RAISED WILL BENEFIT
SUGAR CREEK 4-H'ERS
(in Poweshiek County)

Qty. Price
\$25 each

TOTAL # 4-H SIGNS _____

TOTAL COST _____

PAYMENT ENCLOSED ☐

Please make checks out to Sugar Creek 4-H'ers and submit orders to Heidi Brand, 4938 Hwy 146, Searsboro, IA 50242 by **Oct. 31, 2021**. Stakes will be received in plenty of time for Christmas!

For delivery, list county _____

Clover Kid After-School Program

This will be our first month of Clover Kid After-School Programming! For the month of October youth will learn about life science. The basic need of animals-engaging in the engineering design process, exploring and debug codes and design a code for a programmable mouse to demonstrate what a real mouse needs for survival.

Montezuma will meet on October 4th & 11th from 3:30pm-5pm.

Brooklyn will meet on October 6th & 13th from 2:30pm-4pm.

Bailey Park (Grinnell) will meet October 5th from 3pm-4:30pm

Fairview (Grinnell) will meet on October 12th from 3pm-4:30 pm

Davis (Grinnell) will meet in person on October 21st from 3pm-4:30pm.



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