The 4-H Career Pathways Academy is a 12-month immersive program for all Iowa youth in grades 8-11 that provides pathways to college and career preparedness. The program will:

- Engage youth in research-based educational opportunities that promote skill development in preparation for higher educational pursuits and careers in technical fields of study.
- Provide hands-on workforce development training to build leadership, innovative thinking, and entrepreneurial skills. Connect youth to externship opportunities in their local communities.
- Prepare youth for long-term academic and vocational success, civic engagement, employability and economic stability, as well as provide them with opportunities for belonging and overall wellbeing.

**When:** The 4-H Career Pathways Academy will be held June 28-June 30, 2022 on the Iowa State University Campus in Ames. Youth participants will continue engaging on a monthly basis in skill development, hands-on learning opportunities, and apprenticeships in their local communities.

**Who:** All Iowa youth in grades 8-11

**Cost:** $180. Financial assistance available.

**Participation:** Registration will open in late March

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