



Black Hawk County 4-H NEWS

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

June 6th—Junior Day Camp

June 7th—Dog Obedience

June 9th— My Waterloo Days Parade

June 14th— Space Summer Day Camp

June 14th—Dog Obedience

June 15th—Let's Cook Summer Day Camp

June 21st—Wild Safari Adventure Summer Day Camp

June 21st—Dog Obedience

June 24th— Sturgis Falls Parade

June 27th— Little Detective Summer Day Camp

June 28th—Dog Obedience

June 30th—Nature Explorer Summer Day Camp

July 1st—Fair Entry and YQCA Deadline

June 2023

The Important Stuff!

School is out and summer has started! June is a full month of summer day camps, Dog Obedience classes, and the first of three parades we have planned for the year! FairEntry is open to start putting projects in classes of the Black Hawk County Fair. More information about this can be found on [page 3](#). The deadline for FairEntry is July 1st. [Page 3](#) is also filled with all things fair: upcoming July deadlines, helpsheets, King and Queen applications, and challenge class information. Back on [Page 2](#) you can find information on Summer day camps, Dog Obedience meeting dates, and summer parades. We still have room in all 5 day camps! Our first parade of the summer is coming up right away in June. It's June 9th—My Waterloo Days!

The Good Stuff!

Summer means new faces in the Extension Office! This year, we have one summer intern, Bailey Engelke. Bailey will be working with all things fair as well as helping with summer day camps and library programs. Let's hear what she has to say! Hello! My name is Bailey Engelke, and I am this year's Summer Fair and STEM Intern. I am a full-time student at the University of Northern Iowa majoring in Social Science Education. I am originally from Cherokee County, where I participated in 4-H for 7 years showing a variety of different livestock and static exhibits, but my primary focus was horses. This summer, I am excited to be working with Black Hawk County Extension and Outreach and getting back into the 4-H organization. I can't wait to meet the 4-H and FFA members and volunteers that make up this wonderful organization throughout the summer!



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Let's Talk 4-H Summer Day Camps!

Summer is finally here! It is time to get signed up for summer camps. This year we are offering five 4-H day camps. 4-Her's, invite your friends that are not in 4-H! Each camp is \$15 and financial aid is available. All camps are from **9am—3pm**. Registration for all of these events can be found on [4hOnline 2.0](#). For non-4-H members, there is a paper registration form available via the website or at the Extension office.

Space Camp: Space camp is a great way to help youth foster career dreams of tomorrow and develop life changing goals through Next Generation science, math, and engineering skills!



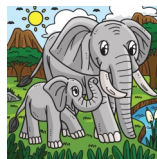
June 14th @ Mt. Carmel Church

Let's Cook: Youth will have hands on experience learning basic cooking skills and how to create different foods. They will work with other youth in sun food challenges to see who can create the best dishes!



June 15th @ First Baptist Church

Wild Safari Adventure: Engage in some make believe to board a plane to the wild safari to begin the journey of discovery. Youth will learn about "Creature Feature" and the animals of the wild safari.



June 21st @ Dick Young Greenhouse

Little Detective: At this day camp youth will investigate crime scenes and learn the skills necessary to become top detectives and solve mysteries.



June 27th @ Northeast Iowa Food Bank

Nature Explorer: Youth will explore nature in our own backyard. Explore the outdoors, learn about wildlife, observe the wonder of nature and enjoy the beauty of the outdoors.

June 30th @ Cedar Valley Arboretum



Shooting Sports Saturday! Black Hawk County 4-H Shooting Sports will meet on Saturday, June 10th. **Archery only at 10:30am.**

Dog Obedience Begins!

4-H Dog Obedience meetings began on Wednesday, May 31st! The meetings are held from 5:30-6:30pm at the Extension office every Wednesday night until July 5th. 4-H Dog Obedience is a great way for youth to build a positive relationship with their dogs and learn new skills.



Summer Parades!

Black Hawk County 4-H will be participating in 3 parades throughout the summer. The first one is June 9th already! The My Waterloo Days parade takes place on June 9th starting at 6:00pm. Set up will begin at 4:30pm across from Forcier Law Office on Jefferson St. & W 3rd St. in Waterloo. If you are planning riding in the parade please register on 4hOnline so we can get a count.



Our next parade will be the Sturgis Falls Parade in Cedar Falls on June 24th. The parade begins at 10am. Information on set up will be sent out as we get closer to the date.

The third parade will be Hudson Days in Hudson on July 22nd, beginning at 10am. Set up information to come!

If you are planning on riding in any of these parades, please register on [4hOnline](#) so we can get a count. Also, wear a 4-H shirt or something green!

We have answers to your questions!

Visit the Black Hawk County 4-H [webpage](#), find us on [Facebook](#), or call 319.234.6811!

Let's Talk Fair!

FairEntry Is OPEN

NOW OPEN! FairEntry is open and ready for you to start entering your 2023 projects! All livestock, Static (non-livestock), Garden & Crop plots, Communication, and Awardrobe Clothing events need to be in FairEntry by 11:59pm on JULY 1st.

- <https://fairenter.com/Fair/SignIn/18591>
 - FairEntry is the online program that will help you place your projects into classes for the fair.
 - If you are a 4-H member please sign in using your 4hOnline login information.
 - If you are new to showing FFA you will need to create a FairEntry account and enter your livestock.
 - Make sure you click SUBMIT at the end!
- [How to register video!](#)

If you need help, reach out to your club leaders, FFA Advisors, or call the Extension Office at (319)234-6811.

Looking for a Black Hawk County Fair King and Queen!

It is time to begin submitting applications to compete in our 2023 Black Hawk County Fair Queen and King contest. If you know anyone that would be qualified and interested in competing in either of these contests, please share! Below you will find the link to the application. Please contact Mary Esther Pullin or Ashley Talsma. Deadline to apply is June 30th! Please find rules and application by following this link, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/blackhawk/county-fair>



Make sure to check out the next page for information on bringing food to the Black Hawk County Fair!

YQCA Training

If you are planning to show Beef, Dairy Cattle, Meat Goats, Dairy Goats, Rabbits, Swine, Poultry, or Sheep at the County or State Fair **you need to take the YQCA training! It is required!** This training is for all 4-H and FFA members planning to exhibit those species listed above. It is not needed for Clover Kids. Just a reminder, youth must have completed 4th grade to show in 4-H classes at the fair. Training is done [online](#). YQCA is designed as an annual education and certification program focused on food safety, animal well-being and character awareness for youth ages 8 to 21 producing and/or showing pigs, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits, and poultry. This program is required of all 4-H and FFA members to show these species at the county and state fair:



[YQCA Website](#)

[YQCA Help Sheet](#)

YQCA Due—July 1st

YQCA certificates need to be emailed to Bailey at engelkeb@iastate.edu once completed.

Challenge Classes for 2023

Bring all entries (except for food) to Estel Hall at the National Cattle Congress grounds on July 16th from noon to 5:00pm. Food entries go to the Pavilion. This event is open to the public with prizes in each age division. More rules and details on the challenge classes can be found in the [Fair Book](#) (Still to come).

Searching for Something?

Visit the Black Hawk County 4-H [webpage](#), find us on [Facebook](#), or call 319.234.6811!

Are you bringing Food to the Black Hawk County Fair? Has it been approved by AnswerLine?

4-H members planning a food preparation or preservation exhibit for the upcoming county fairs should check Foods for [Iowa 4-H Fairs—Quick Reference Guide \(2023\)](#) to make sure the product they wish to exhibit is safe for fairs. When in doubt about selecting a food product, recipe, or method, call AnswerLine, 800-262-3804 for help or assurance.



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