State 4-H Recognition—9-12 grade

Be proud of your many accomplishments and share your story with Iowa 4-H! Travel opportunities and cash awards can be earned through the state 4-H recognition process. Applications for Iowa 4-H Reporters, Project Area Awards, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, SESS (Shooting Sports) Ambassador and State 4-H Council are open and will close February 1, 2019. Please go to the State Recognition website to locate the documents. Nichol is available by appointment to help with applications. Or talk with 4-Hers who have applied: Katherine Ardon-Zeron, Abby Bean, Alyssa Feeley, Greta Small, Kendal Snyder & Beauna Thammathai.

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Citizenship Washington Focus Trip

Registration Deadline: January 15, 2019
Trip Dates: June 14-22, 2019

Celebrate the 60th year of CWF in 2019! All teens who are currently in 9th-12th grades are eligible to register for the trip. There are 48 seats for teens. The trip will cost $1850 and includes the program, travel, lodging, and most meals. Adult chaperones are needed as well. Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a 4-H leadership program for high school youth. Every summer teens from across the country gather at the National 4-H Conference Center, near Washington, D.C., to learn what it means to be a strong leader in their community, country, and world. These objectives are met through pre-trip education, speakers, workshops, daily excursions to view National sites, day at the Capitol with elected officials, and a delegate designed and implemented action plan. Look for updates and registration information to arrive soon on the Iowa 4-H CWF webpage. Funding can be requested from BV County Endowment. Contact the Extension Office at 712-732-5056 for more information.

4-H LEGISLATIVE DAY

Iowa Extension Council Association and 4-H Legislative Day is a county program opportunity for elected extension council members and senior-level 4-H members to learn about and experience the legislative process. Participants will meet with legislators and network with one another. A highlight of the day is sure to be a visit to the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates including a tour and educational activities!

Youth: Open to 4-H members in grades 8-12

Registration Process: Space is limited—interested 4-H members should send 1 sentence about why they would like to attend 4-H Legislative Day to Nichol Kleespies at kleespie@iastate.edu

Event Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 9am—3pm

Participant Information:

- Selected participants will be traveling to Des Moines with a screened Buena Vista County Extension Council member.
- Youth are encouraged to wear business casual attire—khakis and a dress shirt.
- Lunch will be provided.
- A letter will be provided to request an excused absence from school.
- Registration begins at 9:00am—so prepare for an early morning departure.
- More info at https://www.iaextensioncouncils.org/inside-ieca-government-relations

OUR VISION: A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSTIVE CHANGE
**STEM / ROBOTICS**

Interested in Robotics? Legos? Technology & Engineering? STEM?

Check out our 4-H STEM/Robotics Club!

We are going to change the schedule for Robotics this year. Instead of monthly meetings, we will meet weekly for 6 weeks in January & February and then have additional opportunities for challenges in the spring.

**When:** Mondays, Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 5:30-7:00pm

**Where:** Extension Office (call 712-732-5056 with questions)

**Who:** 4th—8th grade, (advanced 3rd grade-contact Nichol)

**Cost:** $15 4-H Enrollment fee

**To Register:** Register online at [https://iowa.4honline.com](https://iowa.4honline.com) if you are already enrolled, add Robotics Club to enrollment. Call the Extension Office at 712-732-0556 with any questions.

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**4-H MAKERS DAY**

One of our favorite 4-H workshops is back! 4-H Makers Day is a great time to get your creative juices flowing for 4-H fair projects! Master Gardeners and other adults with a variety of expertise will be available to help youth with projects in the areas of horticulture, woodworking, sewing and visual arts.

**What:** 4-H Makers Day

**When:** Monday, February 18 (President’s Day), 10am—2pm

**Where:** Extension Office, 824 Flindt Drive, Storm Lake

**Who:** Open to ALL Youth 4th grade and older—bring a friend!

**Cost:** $10 includes project supplies and lunch

**Registration:** Please call 712-732-5056 to register by Friday, February 15

**Project Ideas:** Youth will have many supplies to choose from, but some of the project materials and samples will include:

- Lath Photo frame
- Unique planters
- Sewing Project
- Sign Boards
POULTRY WORKSHOP

JOIN THE FLOCK—4-H Poultry Workshop, Sunday, January 20, 3-4:30pm

We encourage everyone interested in showing 4-H poultry to attend this workshop—parents and Clover Kids families are also welcome!

Topics to be covered:
- Purchasing poultry from a breeder versus a hatchery
- Why showmanship matters at purchase time
- Ordering poultry (optional) & Contact Info for local breeders
- Beginner Break-out—getting started with poultry
- Advance Break-out—how to select quality, advanced showmanship

YOUTH QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (UPDATED FSQA)

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) has replaced the FSQA Class.

The YQCA Certification is needed to show market animals at any fair in Iowa (Beef, Dairy, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep & Swine). You can earn your YQCA Certification in 1 of 2 ways:

1) Attend the in-person YQCA training on Monday, Feb 18, 4-6pm
   This is President’s Day—so hopefully a no school day.

2) Enroll in the on-line YQCA course prior to June 15, 2019 at yqca.org.
   Use your 4hOnline credentials to enroll in the appropriate YQCA course.
   Youth should enroll in the class based on their age on Jan 1, 2019. There is a $12 fee that must be paid online. When the YQCA course is successfully completed, please screen shot the completion certificate and email to kleespie@iastate.edu

LIVESTOCK LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Livestock Quiz Bowl

Livestock Quiz Bowl is set for April 13, 2019 at Iowa State University. This event is the qualifier for the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl held during Aksarben each fall. Youth in grades 4-12 may participate and the questions cover beef, goats, sheep and swine. For more information and study materials go to the quiz bowl webpage.

Livestock Judging Coaches Clinic

The Department of Animal Science will be offering a clinic for adults who would like to learn more about how to coach a livestock judging team. The event will be held on April 20, 2019 at Iowa State University. Contact Amy Powell with questions.
2019 Northwest Iowa Beef Bonanza

Tentative Schedule

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Breakout Sessions:
- **Beefing Up**—Tammy Chapman, RD
- **Calving Simulator**—ISU College of Vet Medicine & Dr. Dan Berkland, Sibley Vet Clinic
- **How do you Score?** - Dr. Beth Doran, ISU Extension Beef Specialist & Mark Jensen ILCC Beef Instructor
- **You Be the Judge**—Mike Anderson, 4-H Livestock Specialist & Lisa Berkland, 4-H Specialist

Registration Form—**Space is Limited**

Please turn this form in to: Emmet County Extension Office, 26 S. 17 St., Estherville, Iowa, 51334 by **JANUARY 24, 2019** with registration fee ($5 per youth or adult attending) Fees are non-refundable.

Make Checks to: Emmet County Extension

Primary Contact Name: _________________________________
Street Address: __________________________ City: ______________
Home Phone Number: ________________________ Cell Phone: ______________
Email Address: ________________________________

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Clover Kids Schedule

**4-H CLOVER KIDS**

**Registration:**

Register online at: [https://iowa.4honline.com](https://iowa.4honline.com)
Academic Yr Session Fee $5
Pay online or on January 31

**Dates—6-7pm, Extension Ofc**

Thursday, January 31
Thursday, February 28
Thursday, March 14
Thursday, April 25

Clover Kids a FUN, active, STEM-based 4-H program for youth in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Call 712.732.5056, BV Co. Extension Office for more info.

4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR HOLIDAY BREAK AND APPLY FOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS!**

**Buena Vista County 4-H Endowment Scholarships**

- Scholarship Application and Reference Forms are available at [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/buenavista/4h](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/buenavista/4h)
- ALL scholarship application materials are DUE Friday, April 5, 2019 at the Extension Office.
- NEW THIS YEAR: There are two levels of scholarships available based on how long you have been a 4-H member. Please check “Legacy Scholarship” if you have been in 4-H for 5 or more years or “Senior Scholarship” for 3 or 4 years of involvement (with 2 as a senior member).
- Complete the Scholarship Program Application. Make sure to include:
  - A summary of 1) 4-H accomplishments, 2) school activities, 3) community service activities and roles, and 4) leadership activities and roles
  - A 250-300 word essay – see application for more detail
  - An official high school transcript
  - Ask your 4-H leader to complete one of the two required Scholarship Reference Reports.
  - Ask a high school counselor, teacher or employer to complete the second Scholarship Reference Report.

Iowa 4-H Foundation also offers a wide variety of scholarships that range from $500-$4000. Each has different criteria—make sure to check out the Northwest Iowa 4-H Scholarship-2 awarded each year to 4-Hers from Northwest Iowa. If eligible, you are able to apply for multiple scholarships through this one process. Two on-line references are required—ask early to make sure the letters of recommendation are uploaded correctly. All application materials are due online February 1st.

Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship Link: [https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_for_4hers/scholarships/](https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_for_4hers/scholarships/)
Clubs and Contacts

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**County Youth Council**
- Michelle Anderson
- Katherine Ardon Zeron
- Emily Arnts
- Ethan Arnts
- Abby Bean
- Cole Brake
- Alyssa Feeley
- Beth Greenfield
- Ryan Greenfield
- Jordan Hewett
- Sierra Hill
- Mia Kleespies
- Shelby Lynch
- Melissa Fahr, advisor

**4-H Youth Development Committee**
- Mary Roberts, Albert City
- Cheryl Arnts, Alta
- Leigh Meyer, Newell
- Leann Baunmhoover, Storm Lake
- Dustin Smith, Storm Lake
- Jayden VanBerkum, Alta
- Kendall Snyder, Youth Rep
- Abby Bean, Youth Rep

**4-H Endowment Committee**
- Jake Schable, Storm Lake
- Gretchen Miller, Alta
- Kent Smith, Storm Lake
- Jan Worthan, Storm Lake
- Salli Nichols, Storm Lake

**County Extension Office**
- Nichol Kleespies, Youth Outreach Educator
- Stacie Hewett, Office/Program Coordinator
- Leann Baunmhoover, Office Assistant
- Isaac Haas, Clover Kids AmeriCorps
- Katherine Ardon Zeron, AmeriCorps
- Carol Ehlers, Family Finance Specialist
- Dr. Kris Kohl, Agricultural Engineer
- Terry Janssen, Regional Extension Ed. Dir.

**CALLING ALL LEADERS**

Do YOU have an interest in 4-H Shooting Sports?

Preston Jacobs, Shawn Jesse and Cory Watts have provided leadership for the BV County Shooting Sports Club for numerous years. Their talents, expertise, and care for youth have touched many lives. They are at the point they would like to pass the leadership torch to a new group of 4-H volunteers. Please contact Nichol Kleespies at the Extension Office, 712-732-5056, or Preston Jacobs, 712-272–3318, if you have an interest and would like to learn more. It is our hope that we can identify a group of adults to learn from our current leaders this spring as well as participate in needed training.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT 4-H?
FIND US AT: extension.iastate.edu/buenavista/4h or get the 4-H App “isubuenavistacounty”