



CERRO GORDO COUNTY 4-H NEWS

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

September 7th

ISU Extension and Outreach
Office Closed for Labor Day

September 11 @ 4:30 PM

September Clover Kids Activities
registration due

September 21 @ 7:00 PM

Volunteer Meeting via Zoom

September 30th @ 4:30 PM

Record books and Teen Council
Applications due to Extension
Office

October 2 @ 4:30 PM

October Clover Kids Activities
registration due

October 5 @ 4:00 PM

Interviews for project and senior
awards

October 6 @ 4:00 PM

Interviews for project and senior
awards

October 30 @ 4:30 PM

November Clover Kids Activities
registration due

November 1st @ 2:00 PM

Awards Banquet—Kinney
Building

SEPTEMBER 2020

A Note from Maya Rowe, County Youth Coordinator:

As school gets back in session, things are looking different than previous years. We have some schools back every day, while others are only back a few times a week. We are starting to plan fall activities for 4-H'ers and Clover Kids, while keeping everyone's safety a top priority. With the school year starting back up, don't forget to re-enroll for 4-H! We are working on different workshop ideas, as well as what we will be doing for meetings. I can promise you that this year will be very different, but will still be a huge success!



Maya Rowe



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Updates

Iowa 4-H has cancelled all overnight experiences through October 1st.

4-H Meetings

4-H meetings can now start happening face to face! There are some restrictions and virtual meetings will still be an option for those who would prefer that. Contact your 4-H leader or the Cerro Gordo County Extension office for any questions on these guidelines.

When hosting a virtual meeting, just like a regular meeting, make sure there are at least two adult volunteers on all virtual meetings with youth.

Be sure to take attendance at every meeting, whether in person or virtual and turn the list in to Maya at the Extension Office.

Record Books

Record books will be **due to the Extension Office by September 30 @ 4:30 PM**. The link for the record book resources can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/record-keeping> or at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/cerrogordo/content/cerro-gordo-county-4-h-record-books>

Be sure to include the following in your record book:

- **Title Page**—Suggestions for your title page: current photo, name, 4-H club, years in 4-H, grade in school (last fall).
- **Expected Standards for Cerro Gordo County**—[Cerro Gordo Expected Standards](#)
- **Fall Program Recognition Tracking Sheet**—Keep the same form every year, you do not need a new one!
- **4-H Fair Record Form**
- **4-H Yearly Summary**—The summary helps you summarize your participation in 4-H projects, local group involvement at community, county, area, and state levels. Pictures and clippings related to club events may be placed here. Ex: club meetings, camps, float, county and state fair non-project activities.
- **Project Records**—One for each project area you participated in this year (this includes communication and horticulture). Goals are required for each project area. Financial records are encouraged for all members. Intermediate and senior members are required to include some type of financial statement on their projects. Project related photos, clippings, and exhibit information should be placed after these forms.
 - * **Livestock and photography have specific project record sheets**
 - * **Goal sheets and other information behind each project record**

A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- When it asks what grade, it is talking about the 2019-2020 school year
 - When it asks what age, it is talking about your age as of September 2019 **NOT THE AGE YOU ARE NOW!**
 - Juniors are grades 4-6
 - Intermediates are grades 7-8
 - Seniors are grades 9-12
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Record Books Continued

Some record book tips:

1. Be Neat and have good organization
2. Check spelling, grammar, and math
3. Be sure to tell what you learned in each project throughout the year

If you need ANY help with your record book, call Maya at the Extension Office and she will set up a time to meet with you (this can be in person or via Zoom). The record books will be judged based on the quality of information as well as the overall neatness of the record book. Please let Maya know if you have any questions!

Officer Books

Please remember to also have the officer books: secretary, treasurer, reporter, and historian completed so they can be looked at. Contact your 4-H leader for this deadline!

Interviews for Project and Senior Awards

The interview for the project awards as well as the senior awards will be October 5th and 6th starting at 4:00 PM. These interviews can happen in person at the Extension Office or over Zoom. This would be a great opportunity for youth to expand on their interviewing skills. More information to come!

Cerro Gordo County 4-H Awards Banquet:

Join us for a banquet to honor the hard work that 4-H'ers, leaders, and volunteers have done this year. The banquet will take place on November 1st @ 2:00 PM. There will be refreshments as well as a silent auction for Toys for Tots. The banquet will happen in person with an option to attend virtually. R.S.V.P. at mrowe@iastate.edu

Clover Kids Activity Bags

With the changes this year with COVID-19 ISU Extension and Outreach in Cerro Gordo County will be offering the Clover Kids program this fall through activity bags. These activity bags will include a variety of activities that can be completed throughout the month at home. Optional Zoom meetings will be hosted each month for youth to attend.

Month	Title	Activity Bags Available
September	Exploring Nature	September 16
October	Fall Fun	October 7
November	Dig Those Dinos	November 4
December	Gifts of Giving	December 9

Clover Kids Activity Bags Continued:

Pick Up Times:

Cerro Gordo County Extension Office – During office hours

* Monday – Thursday 8 am – 4:30 pm / Friday 8 am – Noon

Clear Lake Public Library Parking Lot 5-6:00 pm

* September 16, October 8, November 4, and December 9

Cerro Gordo County Extension Office – Evening hours – 5-6:00 pm

* September 17, October 7, November 5, and December 10

Cost:

1 bag \$5, 2 bags \$10, 3 bags \$14, All 4 bags \$18

(Financial assistance available upon request. Please contact Michelle.)

For questions or registration forms, contact Michelle at mschub@iastate.edu or 641-423-0844

Teen Council

Teen Council applications will be due September 30th by 4:30 PM @ the Extension Office. These applications are for 8-12 graders in Cerro Gordo county 4-H. We ask that each club has AT LEAST one teen so each club is represented. Each Teen Council member will need to participate in one activity per month. Contact Maya for questions at mrowe@iastate.edu or 641-423-0844



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