Information About the Cerro Gordo County 4-H Program

**4-H Community Clubs** – Cerro Gordo County has 12 clubs. These clubs meet year-round, usually once a month and range in size from 5 to 30 members. Members may choose to enroll in over 100 projects with support materials or in a self-determined area(s) where they have special interest.

**4-H Special Interest Groups** – Cerro Gordo County has a few special interest clubs such as Shooting Sports, LEGO, and beef or horse interest.

**4-H Opportunities** – 4-H Camp at Cedar Springs, Fall Bonfire & Hayride, Omaha Zoo Trip, Senior 4-H'ers-4-H Teen Council, Senior and Intermediates - State Conference and Animal Science Round-Up, Citizen Washington Focus, National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Congress, State 4-H Council, Iowa Youth Technology Team, State Project Awards. *All* 4-H'ers have the opportunity of the Cerro Gordo County Fair where they can be judged on non-livestock projects (such as cooking, clothing, photography, welding, science & technology, etc.) and livestock (such as dog, sheep, swine, goats, dairy, beef, horses, chickens, rabbits, etc.)

**How to become involved in 4-H:**
Youth-Becoming involved in 4-H is much easier than you may think. These are the basic requirements to be a 4-H member:

- School grade: Anyone in grades 4-12 can become a 4-H member
- Pick a 4-H club that you are interested in joining or be an independent member
- Call the leader and visit a club meeting
- Enroll in 4-H online at Iowa 4-H Online
  https://iowa.4honline.com/Login.aspx?404F61372F5A767774496E6F3D
- Do you want to learn new things? Activities that you participate in will challenge your skills, and you will learn from other kids and adults that truly care about you and what you learn.

**Who do you contact?** Bobbi Jo Wild, County Youth Coordinator at the Cerro Gordo County Extension office, 641-423-0844 or drop by at 2023 S. Federal in Mason City.

**Want to start now?** Learn more about "4-H" online at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/ and http://www.4-h.org/about/

**4-H Youth Development Program Outcomes**
The end product of a quality 4-H Youth Development Program is young people who can demonstrate leadership, citizenship, communications, and personal life management skills in the course of learning a knowledge base.