



CRAWFORD COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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4-H Motto

To make the best better!

4-H Colors

Green—symbolizes life, springtime, & youth

White—symbolizes purity

4-H Levels

Grades 4-6 are Juniors

Grades 7-8 are Intermediates

Grades 9-12 are Seniors

4-H Year

4-H Year starts September 1st and runs through August 31st.

November 2021

A note from Aubrey Sholty, County Youth Coordinator:

Thank you to those who submitted a picture during National 4-H week. I appreciate all your support of the 4-H program while I am gone.



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Make CY FLY!

The Make Cy Fly STEM Challenge has been extended through the end of November. This is a fun activity to do with a club or classroom. Don't forget the fun video done with the ISU Women's Soccer Team about it too.

The Maker Challenge (Part 1):

Go STATE! Part 1 of this Maker Challenge is to make a "CY"! Use any materials you can find to design a "CY" to use with Part 2 of this maker challenge. "Cy" can be as big or little as you please. Be creative!

Materials:

Use any materials you have available to you. (Please don't go out and buy anything.)

The Maker Challenge (Part 2):

Invent a device that launches "CY" at least 6 feet forward! The further "CY" travels the better!

Materials:

Use any safe materials you have available to construct the launcher. (Please don't go out and buy anything.)

Be creative, be innovative, be a maker! In your Padlet response, please show and respond to the following:

1. Show the CY you designed and made. Feel free to narrate!
2. Show the launcher you designed and made. Feel free to narrate!
3. Show how your launcher works and MAKE CY, FLY! The goal is at least 6 ft. forward but keep in mind this activity models design thinking. If it doesn't work perfectly, that's OK. Hopefully, you keep revising and redesigning to a point where you are comfortable with the outcome you share.

Kick off video featuring the ISU Women's Soccer Team: https://youtu.be/Uv8mNHd_QgY

Make CY Fly Video Instructions: <https://youtu.be/EGIsso-GlKA>

Padlet to upload idea (End of November, 2021): <https://padlet.com/valynb/makecyfly>

4-H/FFA County Market Beef

Weigh-in

Due To Christmas being on a Saturday, the possibility of staff and 4-H families traveling over the weekend, and the sale barns sale schedule, beef weigh in will take place on **Tuesday, December 29th from 10:00 am 1:00 pm**. The sale barn is located at 501 N 9th Street, Denison.

Once you weigh in your cattle, you **MUST verify your weights and ID's on 4-H Online by February 1st**. If there is a mistake, we must know beforehand. We can no not make changes in 4-H Online after February 1st.

Alternate dates:

Shelby County: December 11

Harrison County: December 18

Audubon County: January 2

Please notify the office if you plan to attend another county.



Local Youth Leaders

One local senior 4-H member was selected for a newly formed Southwest Iowa Leadership Youth Council.



Congratulations goes out to Emily Freese for being selected to represent Crawford County on this council.

These young leaders applied and interviewed for the council and were selected to join approximately 15 other youth from southwest Iowa. As members of the council, they will work to identify programming opportunities, as well as participate to develop their own personal leadership skills.



Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

- Livestock exhibitors will be required to participate in a YQCA Training in 2022.
- Interactive, web-based modules are available **now** for all age divisions. A fee of \$12 **per member** will be collected for maintenance, development & support of the program and website when you login. These modules are age-specific.

To register for a training, follow this link: <https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login>

Use your 4hOnline credentials.

Please contact the office with any questions you have.

Volunteer Training

Competent, caring adult volunteers are an Essential Element of the Iowa 4-H program. Volunteers contribute their time and talents to 4-H and in return 4-H has the responsibility to provide them with the positive youth development knowledge and skills they need to effectively work with youth. Leaders who participated in the training told us:

- Learned from presenters and also from experience of other members
- Being able to connect with others
- Became more aware of situations I hadn't thought of before - gained a new perspective of things
- Good interaction and wonderful ideas and suggestions from other leaders

Annual Leader Training

Planning for Success of 4-H Youth (2021-2022)

Volunteers who are club, project, or Clover Kid leaders, SESS leaders or assistant leaders attend an annual training that strengthens their positive youth development knowledge and skills. Training occurs in each county and is designated as the annual training module.

Develop strategies to support positive behavior techniques while understanding the importance of preparation and planning ahead to create effective group experiences. Leave with tools and resources to support engaging opportunities for youth! Resources from the training are posted on the [Volunteer Resources webpage](#).

Training for New Volunteers

County based volunteer orientation and training is crucial to volunteers being successful in their “home” counties. Each county has unique aspects of the 4-H program that volunteers need to learn. County Extension staff, Youth Committee members, experienced volunteers, and the regional youth program specialist form the county team who are the essential frontline trainers and mentors for new volunteers. This county based team builds the relationships and support systems which make volunteers successful.

Regional new volunteer training is designed for new 4-H volunteers committing to a long term experience working with 4-H youth as club, project, Clover Kid leaders and assistants. Volunteers committing to these roles are required to attend a regional new volunteer training within the first 12 months of being screened and approved as a 4-H volunteer.

The blended learning training is designed to give new volunteers a better working knowledge of positive youth development, the Iowa 4-H Equation, and tools that will help them be more confident and capable in their roles working with youth. The training will be delivered in two components. The first includes four online training modules that help create a baseline for 4-H volunteers. It is followed by a regional, three hour face-to-face training that will allow volunteers to apply some of their learning. AmeriCorps members are welcome to attend! Sign up for a training today via the individual registration links below.

Upcoming Training dates and locations for New Volunteer Training for 2020-2021 include:

November 6, Columbus Junction, 9am-Noon | [Register Here](#)

November 9, VIRTUAL, 6pm-9pm | [Register Here](#)

November 11, Washington, 6pm-9pm | [Register Here](#)

November 17, Red Oak, 5:30pm-8:30pm | [Register Here](#)

November 22, Jefferson, 6-9pm | [Register Here](#)

December 6, Dubuque, 5:30pm-8:30pm | [Register Here](#)

January 8, Mason City, 9am-Noon | [Register Here](#)

January 10, VIRTUAL, 6pm-9pm | [Register Here](#)

January 29, VIRTUAL, 9am-Noon | [Register Here](#)

March 8, Grundy Center, 6pm-9pm | [Register Here](#)



Risk Management Training for Volunteers

Helping maintain a safe environment for members, families, volunteers, and staff is a priority for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. Volunteers are required to participate in Risk Management Training. All new volunteers will participate in an online Risk Management training module via 4-H Online. To access additional risk management resources, visit the [4-H Risk Management webpage](#).

Online Resources for Volunteers

Volunteers can acquire support materials through their county extension office, on the 4-H website or other online resources. View a list of current [online resources](#) for Club/Project and Clover Kids volunteers.

4-H Judges Training

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H Youth Development will be hosting free, statewide virtual judges training for anyone interested in becoming a judge or refreshing their skills. To judge 4-H exhibits at any county fair or state fair event, training is required and available for free. The training content applies to all static judges and all categories.

Iowa 4-H Judges FCS Content Area Training

Jan. 4, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 4 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212786356940161>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Communications Training for Static Judges

Jan. 6, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 6 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212766196515058>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Photography Training

Jan. 11, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 11 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212794468164162>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Personal Development Training for Static Judges

Jan. 13, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 13 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212766858890069>.

Evaluate, Educate and Encourage – Your Role as an Iowa 4-H Static Judge

For all Iowa 4-H judges, new and returning.

Jan. 15, 2022, 9-11 a.m.

Register for the Jan. 15 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212766673323055>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Science, Engineering and Technology Training

Jan. 18, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 18 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212766247919063>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Visual Arts – Design, Elements and Arts Training

Jan. 20, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 20 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212766448898072>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Clothing Training

Jan. 25, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 25 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212775932355058>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Copyright Training

Jan. 27, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Jan. 27 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212776365131051>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Food and Nutrition Training

Feb. 1, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Feb. 1 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212776309470055>.

Iowa 4-H Judges Panel and Completing Preference Forms Training

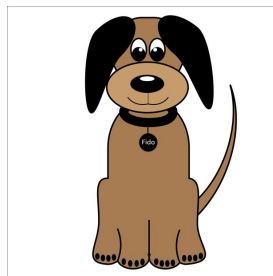
Feb. 3, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

Register for the Feb. 3 training online at <https://form.jotform.com/212776025394055>.

Through youth-adult partnerships, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H Youth Development strives to empower youth to reach their full potential, discover their passions, and support their growth and positive development by providing youth with relevant and inclusive programming and opportunities.

For more information on the Iowa 4-H Youth Development program, please contact your ISU Extension and Outreach county office or visit the Iowa 4-H website at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h.

4-H Dog Judge's Training



[Register](#) for the 4-H dog judge's training on Saturday, Nov. 13 at the Cyclone Kennel Club in Ames from 9:30-4:30 PM (tentatively). This is not a requirement but is good for adults to learn how to judge the various classes and for county fairs to have a judge list to assist in county fair hiring.

4 STEPS TO A 4-H THANK YOU

Show your appreciation to the people who help make the 4-H program possible!

1

Greet the person and thank them for their support.

*Dear Mrs. Smith,
Thank you for the generous gift you made to support Iowa 4-H members!*

2

Tell the person why you appreciate their gift or the result of their gift.

Your gift will help allow 4-H members like me to participate in the program and gain valuable skills.

3

Tell the person about yourself and how 4-H has benefited you.

Through 4-H I have made friends from across the state and improved my communication skills. I love 4-H!

4

Repeat your thanks and sign your name.

*Thank you again!
Sincerely,
Jane Jones, Linn County 4-H member*

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Find your SPARK

Registration Open for 2021-2022 Camera Corps

Iowa 4-H Camera Corps is a program for all 4-H youth, designed to support photographers that plan on participating in the photography project area at county fairs. Youth can sign up to participate by filling out the form on the [Camera Corps webpage](#). Each month, a photography theme is provided with a different focus. This month's theme/challenge is Shadows and youth can submit photos via the [Jotform on the Camera Corps webpage](#). Questions? Contact the office.



November Clover Kids Schedule

Boyer Valley: Saturday, November 6 at the Boyer Valley School Mary Wadsworth leader

Denison: Tuesday, November 9 at the Denison Elementary School Aubrey Sholty leader

Charter Oak: Thursday, November 11 at the Charter Oak School Doris Jepsen leader

Schleswig: TBD at the Schleswig Library Amy Hoffmeier leader

Ar-We-Va: packages will be mailed as enrollment is at two.

Project Area or Exhibit?

What is the difference between a 4-H project and a 4-H exhibit? Each year, 4-H members enroll in project areas that interest them. They set goals to plan what they will learn in each project area. When they bring things to fair to show what they learned, these are called exhibits. This publication gives examples of ways you can explore project area learning as a 4-H member, and ways that you can participate in sharing what you have learned through exhibiting opportunities. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/15835>

Goal Calendar

This goal calendar can be used by a 4-H member to help them plan out their project area goals for the year. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/16174>

Goat Setting: Writing Project Area and Exhibit Goals

The skill of goal setting and working to achieve their goals is what 4-H strives to have 4-H youth practice in all parts of the educational experience — from project work to club work. As a 4-H member develops their skills in a project area, goals should become more challenging to further their learning. Learn what a goal is, and how to write goals for project area learning and for exhibits. <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/16191>



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CALENDAR

November:

1: Chartering paper work & club calendars due

25/26: Office Closed Thanksgiving

December:

24/25: Office Closed Christmas

29: Beef Weigh-in

31: New year's holiday

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