



CRAWFORD COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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To make the best better!

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.

September 2023

A note from Nicole Behrendt, County Youth Coordinator:

Enrollment Opens September 1st!

It seems so crazy to believe that summer has come to an end and everyone is off to school. This year is a bit strange for me as it is the first year I have not had to go back to school! With that being said, good luck to all of you in the upcoming school year. **Enrollment for the new 4-H program year opens September 1st.** If you received an email in the past week and a half, disregard it. I was doing rollover duties so that may have sent your family an email. We have been working to plan some fun and educational workshops this year.

Record Books

The purpose of 4-H record keeping is to teach how to keep records, which is an important life skill. Record keeping is an ongoing process that does not end when the 4-H year ends.

Record books are **due no later than October 16th!** Record book materials can be found online at [https:// www.extension.iastate.edu/crawford/4h](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/crawford/4h) or <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/record-keeping> .

Every record book that is turned in MUST have a member application for 4-H awards and member application for special 4-H awards (filled out by the 4-H member, books that don't have these won't be considered for awards). Record books should also have one yearly summary, and the correct project record sheets for each project. It is also a good idea to include the club program, pictures, newspaper clippings, etc. If you have any additional questions or need one-on-one help, please feel free to call Nicole at the Extension Office at 712-263-4697.



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County Council

Calling all 9th-12th grade 4-H members!

Senior 4-H members (grades 9-12) in Crawford County are encouraged to apply to be a member of County Council. County Council is designed to develop leadership skills in its members by planning, organizing, and running different events throughout the year as well as participating in leadership retreats. Members assist with National 4-H Week, Awards Banquet, select fair events, livestock weigh-ins, and other events as needed. Youth will have the hands-on opportunity to plan county wide events that they feel would benefit the county during any time of the year. Meeting dates and times will be set once members are selected to best work with everyone's schedules. Applications are available and due to the Extension Office no later than **October 1**. Attached below is a copy of the county council application.

National 4-H Week

The anticipation is building for National 4-H Week, during which millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will be celebrating everything 4-H. National 4-H Week is October 1st through the 7th. Crawford County 4-H will observe National 4-H Week by showcasing the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them. We have many fun activities and promotions planned and I hope you will consider joining us! This year's theme is "We Heart 4-H."



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4-H COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICATION

County Council Objective: The objective of the Crawford County 4-H County Council is to be instrumental in promoting and maintaining an active and fundamental program for youth in our county. Members serve as liaison between the 4-H'ers and adults to help identify and understand the special needs of young people. Also, while serving, a member will learn effective leadership responsibilities and how to promote community service activities.

Eligibility: 4-H'ers that are (or will be in) 9th – 12th grade may apply.

NAME _____ **4-H CLUB** _____

ADDRESS _____

E-Mail ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Home _____ **Cell** _____

YEARS IN 4-H _____ **GRADE (IN OR JUST COMPLETED):** _____

ACTIVITIES (leadership, citizenship, & community service):

4-H OFFICES HELD: _____

OTHER SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

Why would you like to be a member of 4-H County Council _____

What does 4-H mean to you

What project areas are you involved in? _____

List some events you would like to work on for leadership skill building?" (example: Beef Project – put on a beef showmanship workshop, Visual Art Project – set up an art show as a fundraiser, Citizenship – help with a blood drive, etc..) _____

COUNTY COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

County Council Meetings
Award Night
Clover kids mtgs/camp
Help at Fair

National 4-H Week
Do a workshop
Junior Camp
County events

Farm Safety Day Camps
Intermediate Event
Clean & Set-up 4-H Bldg.
& MORE!



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CALENDAR

September:

1: Enrollment Opens

October:

1: County Council Applications Due

16: Record Books Due

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