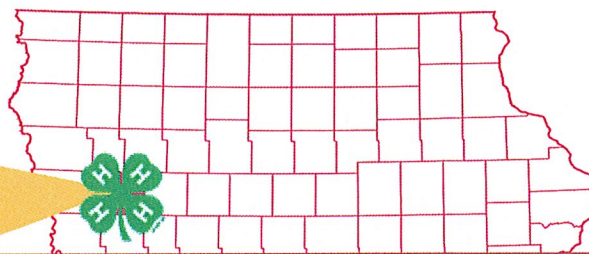




Crawford County 4-H Newsflash September 2021



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4-H Club Survey

Dear 4-H members,

We care about the experience you had in 4-H during the 2020-2021 year. As we are about to start a new 4-H year, we would like some feedback. Crawford County 4-H is currently conducting a survey of all 4-H members in the county. The survey is online through Qualtrics and can be done on a mobile device, tablet, or computer. The purpose of the survey is to determine your satisfaction of your 4-H year experience. We appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey with your honest responses. This will be a way for us to assess the strengths and challenges of the 4-H members experience. We continually strive to offer a high-quality program for youth and welcome any suggestions for improvement. Our goal is to make the 4-H program a positive experience for you and your family in Crawford County. **The Qualtrics will close on September 17**, thank you for completing the survey and helping to improve the quality of the 4-H program.

https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cVjWmTXczCRuaLI

Reenrollment for 2021-2022

You may start enrolling in 4-H Online 2.0 on September 1st! Remember, **to be a member in good standing, you must be re-enrolled in 4-H Online 2.0 by January 1st. You also must go to at least four club meetings to be able to show at ANY fair.** So get enrolled right away and attend those meetings!!!

Enrollment Challenge

Who likes to have a little fun? The club that gets the most 4-H Online enrollments in before November 1st will receive a pizza party! Since we have a range of club sizes, this will be judged in comparison to however many people were in their club this past year and go off of percentage. So it will be calculated by # of people in 4hOnline/# of people in 4hOnline last year.



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Fair T-shirts

Last call! We have shirts left over from fair that are FREE, stop by the office from 8:00-4:30 or call 712-263-4697 to check sizes.

Iowa State Fair Static Projects

Static Projects are back from the Iowa State Fair, please stop in the office Monday-Friday 8:00 am.m-4:30 p.m. if you have a project.



Iowa State Fair Results

2021 Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock and Horticulture results- [https://fairentury.com/Fair/Results/15526?](https://fairentury.com/Fair/Results/15526?hierarchyEntityToken=&sortColumn=&fourHCountyId=24&exhibitorFirstOrLastName=)
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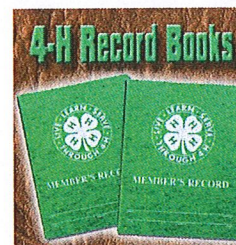
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Record Books

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 1st!** Record book materials can be found online at <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 Aubrey at the Extension Office at 712-263-4697.



County Council Record Book Workshop

Join the Crawford County 4-H Council at a come and go record book work day on Monday, September 6 from 10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m. at the Crawford County Extension office. Youth will work one on one with county council members to:

- ☐ learn how to set goals, how to make plans for action, and how to decide how well you did
- ☐ learn the skills of record keeping and organization to use now and in the future
- ☐ learn to communicate and summarize

Please call the office at 712-263-4697 if you plan to attend and what time you will be coming.

Record books are due to the extension office by October 1. If youth want to receive their fair premium or receive awards, they must turn in a record book.



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>

Goal 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>

Paradise Presenters 4-H Club will focus on communication

Members will have opportunities to improve their communication skills!

The single most important skill that youth can learn that will take them into adulthood is communication. Newly reorganized Paradise Presenters 4-H Club will focus on all forms of communication, including the traditional 4-H communication events, speech, photography, art, and other forms of communication.

“Every career requires communication,” said Christy Welch, leader. “When interviewing for a job, most employers look for candidates who are good communicators. Employers are also looking for candidates who have critical thinking abilities, leadership skills, a positive attitude, and can work as a team. A lot of these ‘soft skills’ can be learned early in life. Paradise Presenters will help members learn these important skills.”

The club will work on 4-H communication events. Youth will also learn how communication fits into a variety of careers and non-traditional ways of communication such as photography and visual arts. Activities will be shaped by what the members want to learn.

Meetings will usually be at 1 pm on last Sunday of each month in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Denison. Students from 4th grade to 12th grade are invited to join the 4-H club. Members who are already in a traditional club are welcome and encouraged to dual enroll in the Paradise Presenters.

Please visit their Facebook page by searching for “Paradise Presenters 4H Club” or typing directly: facebook.com/groups/paradisepresenters4hclub. The next meeting will be Sunday, September 26 at 1 pm. Anyone with questions can call Welch at 712-269-1987 or email her at 4hmom@outlook.com.



4-H Clover Committee

Clubs were asked to elect one youth and one adult to sit on the 4-H Clover Committee.

Several clubs have let me know who is on the committee but I have not heard from everyone. If you were elected to sit on the committee please email Aubrey at asholty@iastate.edu so she can get you on the email list. With the new 4-H year right around the corner clubs will be electing new officers. All clubs are encouraged to elect one adult and one youth. We have had two information meetings with little attendance. It has been hard getting this new committee up and going with COVID and we feel that it is going to take some time for it to reach its full potential. We ask that clubs continue to promote this to their members. With Aubrey going on maternity leave in September the committee will not meet until November or December. That will give clubs plenty of time to reelect/elect new representatives. Watch future newsletters for more information.

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 due to the Extension Office no later than **October 1**.

Southwest Iowa Leadership Council

Calling all 10th - 12th grade 4-H members!

The Southwest 4-H Leadership Council is looking for positive, high school students who are energetic and ready to be ambassadors for 4-H. In addition, the Council will assist in overall 4-H Youth program development by serving in an advisory capacity for local youth programming.

Members of the Council are selected through an application and interview process. They will be involved in identifying needs, sharing ideas, and developing a plan of action to help address priority area needs. In addition, there will be two, 1 day retreats! The first retreat will take place on November 6th, 2021!

Apply by September 10th! Interviews will take place on September 26th from 4:00-7:00 in Harlan. Applications can be picked up at the Crawford County Extension office or on our website.

#SWIowa4H #Iowa4H #Trueleaders #4HGrowsHere #InspireKidsToDo"



Office Update

Aubrey will be going on maternity leave in September and will most likely be gone through the end of October/early November. Please email kthul321@iastate.edu or ttorn@iastate.edu or call the office at 712-263-4697.



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Member Application for 4-H Awards

4-H Member: _____

Club: _____ Level: Jr. Int. Sr.

The following requirements apply for the awards listed below. Please be sure that you meet the qualifications before applying for the award. A member may win an award as long as

1. Must have completed a year of 4-H club work.
2. Must be competent in the project area.
3. Must have completed their record keeping for the year.

Livestock / Animals

- ___ Animal Science
- ___ Beef
 - ___ Breeding Beef
 - ___ Market Beef
 - ___ Bucket Bottle Calf
- ___ Dairy Cattle
- ___ Dog
- ___ Goats
 - ___ Meat Goats
 - ___ Dairy Goats
- ___ Horse & Pony
- ___ Horseless Horse
- ___ Pets
- ___ Poultry
- ___ Rabbit
- ___ Sheep
 - ___ Breeding Sheep
 - ___ Market Sheep
- ___ Swine
- ___ Veterinary Science

Ag & Natural Resources

- ___ Crop Production
- ___ Plant Science
- ___ Environment
 - ___ Conservation
 - ___ Entomology
 - ___ Forestry
 - ___ Wildlife
- ___ Outdoor Adventures
 - ___ Bicycle
 - ___ Camping
- ___ Horticulture
- ___ SESS Safety & Education in Shooting Sports

Family & Consumer Science

- ___ Child Development
- ___ Clothing
- ___ Consumer Management
- ___ Food & Nutrition
- ___ Health
- ___ Home Improvement
- ___ Sewing & Needle Arts

Creative Arts

- ___ Music
- ___ Photography
- ___ Visual Arts

Personal Development

- ___ Citizenship
- ___ Communication
- ___ Communication 4-H Poster
- ___ Leadership
- ___ Self Determined

Science, Engineering & Tech

- ___ Mechanics
 - ___ Automotive
 - ___ Electricity
 - ___ Small Engine
 - ___ Tractor
 - ___ Welding
- ___ Science & Technology
 - ___ Aerospace
 - ___ Astronomy
 - ___ Computer
 - ___ Robotics
 - ___ GPS/GIS
- ___ Woodworking

Communication Events

- ___ Educational Presentation
- ___ Pride of Iowa
- ___ Share the Fun
- ___ Working Exhibit
- ___ Extemporaneous Speaking

Awardrobe Fashion Show

- ___ Clothing Selection
- ___ Fashion Review
- ___ \$15 Challenge

Other

- ___ County Council
- ___ Fruit Sales

Member Application for Special 4-H Awards

4-H Member: _____

Club: _____ Division: Jr. Int. Sr.

The following requirements apply for the awards listed below. Please be sure that you meet the qualifications before applying for the award. A member may win an award as long as

1. Three or more years of 4-H club work.
2. Member must have demonstrated leadership beyond the club level.
3. Members may only receive an award once.

The following special award is for all 4-H Members.

_____ TOP 4-H'ER AWARDS

This award is given to recognize the top Junior, Intermediate, and Senior 4-H members in the county.

Members must be at least a Junior in High School to qualify for the following awards.

_____ ACHIEVEMENT

This award is to recognize 4-H'ers who have shown outstanding personal growth through participation in a variety of 4-H projects and involvement. Record books should show documentation of personal growth through participation in project areas.

_____ AGRICULTURE

This award is to recognize 4-H'ers whom have greatly contributed to the livestock industry.

_____ MERIT

This award is to recognize 4-H'ers who have shown outstanding personal growth through citizenship.

_____ I DARE YOU

William F. Danforth, founder of Ralston Purina, wrote the book, "I Dare You" from his personal experiences. He challenged young people to their highest potential in service and good citizenship. The "I Dare You" Leadership award recognizes youth who have a working knowledge of the 4-H program. It is to challenge them to develop their skills for future endeavors through life and most importantly, service to others.

_____ AK-SAR-BEN

This award is to recognize 4-H members who are making significant progress toward maturity and leadership through their involvement to the 4-H program. Evidence of this service should be shown at the local club, county council, county fairs, area events and other activities. Members do not need to exhibit at AK-SAR-BEN to receive this award.

_____ MARLENE BAUGHMAN RECORD BOOK AWARD

Marlene Baughman was an active youth 4-Her as well as a 4-H leader. She had a passion for 4-H and especially for record books. She was very knowledgeable about the record book requirements. This award is for any 4-H Senior whose record book reflects a neat, clean, organized record book. Each project must have all the required record keeping forms. A presentation must be done at a club meeting or county level. They must participate in more projects than just livestock. Recipient will receive a \$50.00 check and certificate.

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!

RETURN APPLICATIONS TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE; 35 So. MAIN ST., Denison, Ia 51442



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September:

- 1:** 2021-2022 4-H year begins!
- 6:** County Council Record Book Workshop
- 10:** Southwest 4-H Leadership Council Applications Due
- 11-19:** Clay County Fair
- 18:** Region 13 leader retreat

October :

- 1:** Record books due, County Council applications due
- 3-9:** National 4-H Week
- 12:** Annual leaders training

November:

- 1:** Chartering paper work & club calendars due

