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Friday 4-H News

Happy Friday! I hope you are enjoying the great weather! This is a great time to look at the fair book and create your exhibit goals!

Make sure that you read all the way to the bottom of your emails where you will find important links & attachments.

As we start thinking about summer programming and fair please remember to share these email updates with your family members. Our staff are happy to answer any questions. Please do not hesitate to call the office at 319-824-6979.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS (In Effect Now)

703 F Ave; Suite 1, Grundy Center | 319-824-6979

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Wednesday 8:00 am - 6:30 pm

Friday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Important Dates:

- **DUE TODAY - Mentor Forms**
- If you are working with someone other than family in a project area and are planning to exhibit at the county fair with their assistance you need to complete this form. For more details as to who needs to complete this form please open the attachment at the bottom of the email. If you had a mentor last year you still need to complete this form each year! Mentor's need to complete the volunteer screening process. If you have any questions about this today please email Andrea at traegera@iastate.edu with subject line Mentor Question.
- **DUE JUNE 5th - \$50 Project Grant Applications**
- 4th-12th Grade members are eligible for a \$50.00 Grant. Application information and form are attached at the bottom of this email and due Monday
- **Friday, June 9th** - FairEntry is in final edits and will be opening by next Friday.
- **Wednesday, June 21 6:00 pm** - Countywide 4-H Club Meeting TBD more details to come

- **Saturday, July 1** - County & State Fair Exhibit Entries are Due by 11:59 pm. July 1st is a Saturday. If you need assistance you need to contact the Extension office by 12 pm on Friday, June 30
- **Thursday, July 6** - Awardrobe Fashion Show Judging
- **July 12th** - Onsite Garden Judging
- **Saturday, July 15th** - 9 am Fair Clean up & Set up **HELP NEEDED!**
- **Grundy County Fair July 17-22, 2023**

4-H News

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!: If you or someone you know would like to help at the Grundy County Fair, please Contact Andrea at traegera@iastate.edu as soon as possible. We are currently in need of superintendents for Static Judging Day and 4-H Exhibit Building on Monday, July 17th. There are also other opportunities to help. Andrea would be happy to visit with you about them. Volunteers need to complete the volunteer screening process. Please let us know as soon as possible.

Summer Programming starts Monday. Our Summer Assistant, Bell Rogers will be leading programs at the libraries in Grundy County. Please be sure to see the attachment for dates and locations. Monday we will be in Reinbeck with Sensational Seeds at 10am. If you are in need of a meeting to be eligible to exhibit at fair and attend any of the library programs you can submit a write up about your experience. Include your Name, the program date and location, and a little bit about what you learned, what you did during the program, what you liked, etc... and submit it to the Extension Office for credit.

Clubs are starting to focus on fair and may have only one or two meetings planned prior to July 1. Please be sure to check in with your club leader for dates or questions on your attendance. To be eligible to participate at county fair 4-12 grade members must attend 4 club meetings and Kindergarten – 3rd grade Clover Kids must attend at least 2 club meetings. If you are one of those families in need of meeting options please contact the Extension Office.

Dog Obedience: A special thank you to our Dog Obedience instructor Erin Calkins. She has been holding dog obedience training on Monday nights at 6:30 pm at the fairgrounds. Youth and their dogs have been learning a lot and we are excited to see them exhibit at the County Fair Dog Show.

Countywide Club Meeting: Andrea & Shari will be hosting a Countywide club meeting June 21st at 6pm. We are making final plans and setting location details. This will be a great opportunity to meet, bring questions about county fair, and get a chance to do a few hands on activities. It will also count as a meeting requirement.

Fair Exhibit Tip:

When selecting the class to enter your static exhibit make sure to be clear on your goals for the exhibit. For example: You are making a shelf for your bedroom. Is your goal to learn how to make the shelf out of wood? OR is your goal mainly to make something for your room. If you are focusing on learning how to make the shelf out of wood then a woodworking class would be the best option. If you are wanting to make something for your room then home improvement would be another option. ALWAYS give us a call at the Extension Office if you need help making the final class decision.

Important Fair Links:

Click on the link below

- [FAIR BOOK](#)
- [FAIR SCHEDULE](#)
- **Fair Entry** – County database will open in June. You will receive an email when it is open for entries.

Have a great week!

Attachments:

[Welcome Bell Rogers](#)
[Project Grant Application](#)
[Mentor Application](#)