

Clover Connection

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The Clover Connection newsletter connects the ISU Extension and Outreach – Howard County office with 4-H families. Please read carefully. The newsletter is always available on your 4-H online family account as well as on the [Howard County Extension](#) website.

Re-Enrollment & Recruitment



National 4-H Week is upon us, October 2-8, 2022! This is a time for you to show your 4-H pride and encourage your friends to discover the endless opportunities 4-H has to offer! Get creative and promote 4-H – decorate your car, create posters and display at school or community businesses, and/or use social media! Show youth across the county, state, and nation all of the fun that you have in 4-H and how 4-H has grown you into the person you are today!

The theme for 2022 is “Opportunity4All”! More opportunity, more smiles!
#Opportunity4All



I Pledge

my **HEAD**
to clearer thinking,

my **HEART**
to greater loyalty,

my **HANDS**
to larger service, and

my **HEALTH**
to better living, for

my Club, my Community,
my Country,
and my World.

Kickoff to the 2022-2023 4-H Year!

Awesome job to everyone who turned in Record Books! Mark your calendars to come and celebrate the achievements of Howard County 4-H'ers on Sunday, November 20! The event will be held at the Cresco Movie Theatre!

The ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. and following will be the movie which will be determined closer to the date.

As we begin planning for events and deadlines, make sure to mark your calendars! Remember to look out for event dates, RSVP's, and deadline dates throughout the newsletter, email, and mail! This will help ensure that you have the best 4-H experience possible!

-With 4-H Spirit,
Josey Fairchild

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Noteworthy October Dates

October 2-8

National 4-H Week

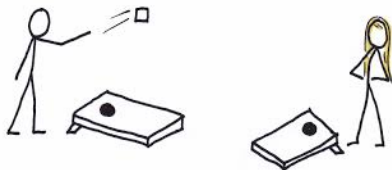


Who: EVERYONE

- **October 2nd:** 4-H Week Kickoff Picnic & Fun Night
- **October 3rd:** Make a "Join 4-H Poster" and hang it somewhere around school or town!
- **October 4th:** Decorate your own 4-H themed pumpkin! We are excited to see your creativity!
- **October 5th:** Wear your 4-H Shirt/Green Gear!
- **October 6th:** Post a photo on social media of your favorite 4-H memory or send it to Josey at jnolan@iastate.edu.
- **October 7th:** Thank someone for supporting you! Could be bringing a treat for your teachers thanking them for supporting your education or sending a thank you to a 4-H leader or volunteer who has helped you!

October 2

National 4-H Week Kickoff – Picnic, Bean-Bag Tournament, Sand Volleyball, Basketball in the Park



When: 3 – 5 p.m.

Where: Kessel Park

Who: EVERYONE

Cost: Free

Bring your friends and your family for a fun night for the whole family! Feel free to bring your own picnic and enjoy the afternoon in the park! Don't forget to bring your 'A' Game for the beanbag tournament!

October 4

Youth Committee Meeting

When: 6:30 p.m.

Where: Extension Office

Who: All Youth Committee Members

October 18

Howard County Farm Safety Day



When: 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Where: The Mighty Howard County Fairgrounds

Who: 5th grade students in Howard County Schools

We will be hosting our annual Farm Safety Day on October 18th.

October 31

Trunk or Treat



When: 4 -6:00 p.m.

Where: The Cresco Fitness Center



October 2nd, 3-5 p.m.

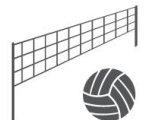
Kessel Park

KICKOFF PICNIC



Volleyball
Bean-Bag Tournament
4-H Jeopardy

Bring-Your-Own Picnic
Other Fun Games!



BRING A FRIEND!

Open to all 4-H Families and anyone interested in joining!



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Upcoming Events

November 7

Youth Mental Health First Aid

When: November 7 @ 1:30 p.m.

Where: Online

Who: All Youth

Cost: \$55 per participant

Register: <https://go.iastate.edu/J3CTZU>

Deadline: October 23, 2022

Young adults can experience mental health and addiction challenges. This course introduces common mental health challenges for youth and reviews typical adolescent development. You will learn a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations.

November 7

Parli Pro Pizza Party



When: 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Where: Howard County Extension Office

Who: All 4-H'ers

Cost: \$5 per participant

Register: Howard County Extension Office

Deadline: October 31, 2022

Youth will learn about Parliamentary Procedure through a fun pizza party!

November 20

4-H Awards Ceremony



When: November 20, 1:30 p.m.

Where: Cresco Theatre

Who: All 4-H'ers

Movie: TBD

November 30

4-H Member New Enrollments & Re-Enrollments Due



When: 11:59 p.m.

Where: <https://v2.4honline.com/>

Who: All New (paper form) 4-H'ers & Re-Enrolling 4-H'ers

Why: If you re-enroll/enroll by the deadline your yearly fee is the reduced cost, if you renew after the deadline you will owe the full \$30 fee.

December 17

Beef Weigh-In



When: 9-11 a.m.

Where: The Mighty Howard County Fairgrounds

Who: Any 4-H'er planning to show market beef at the 2023 Mighty Howard County Fair.

4-H Information

4-H Funds – Helpful Links

[CS.7.13.18 4-H Club Account Voucher Request.xlsx](#) (July 13, 2018)

[CS.7.13.18 4-H Club Account Deposit Slip.xlsx](#) (July 13, 2018)

Reminder: If you are going to have a club fundraiser there is a Fundraising form 4HP 3020 that must be approved.

Iowa State wants to hear from you!

As technology has continued to evolve and the lives of Iowans have changed, preferences for how we access, engage with, and receive education have shifted as well. This survey is intended to assist Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in identifying any changes in your technology use and preferences including how you have accessed research- and evidence-based education and the topics you have been interested in learning more about.

https://survey.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_baofKvaNklsbN8a



Leader Corner



Reminder to Leaders

Please remember to either drop meeting minutes in our drop-box or send us an email with them to jnolan@iastate.edu. Thanks!

October 5

Fall Leader Meeting

When: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Extension Office

We ask that at least one leader from each club is in attendance. We will go over some club financials and club chartering.

November 1

Club Program Books Due to Extension Office

When: November 1 @ 4 p.m.

Where: Due to the Howard County Extension Office

When you drop them off please let us know if you need copies of your program books for your families and how many you will need.

January 23

Annual Leader Training

When: 7 p.m.

Where: NICC Cresco Center

Who: All leaders must go through Annual Leader Training. More details will be coming in your email.

Clover Kids 2022-2023

Registrations due by October 3rd!

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Riceville

Monday Group
November 21
January 16
February 27
March 20
April 17

Tuesday Group

November 1
December 6
February 7
March 7
April 4

Crestwood

Monday Group
November 28
December 5
February 6
March 6
April 3

Tuesday Group

November 8
January 17
February 14
March 14
April 25

Notre Dame

Mostly Monday Group
November 14
December 12
February 13
March 16 (Thursday)
April 24

Tuesday Group

November 15
December 13
February 21
March 28
April 18



Howard County National 4-H Week Challenges

Join us in celebrating Nation 4-H Week! Here's how:

- 1) Complete each daily challenge below
- 2) Take a photo to document your completion of each challenge
- 3) Submit your photos to be entered in our prize drawing (one entry for each challenge completed). To submit, post your photos to social media and tag @IowaStateExtensionOutreachHowardCounty OR email your photos to inolan@iastate.edu with subject 4-H Challenge.



ENROLLMENT DRAWING

Complete your re-enrollment into Howard County 4-H program between September 1-October 8 (the last day of National 4-H Week) to go into a drawing for a 4-H prize.

Monday, Oct. 3	Tuesday, Oct. 4	Wednesday, Oct. 5	Thursday, Oct. 6	Friday, Oct. 7
<p>Make a “Join 4-H Poster” and hang it!</p> <p>Then, share the image with us.</p> <p>I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty, my HANDS to larger service, and my HEALTH to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.</p> <p>4-H PLEDGE</p>	<p>Decorate your own 4-H themed pumpkin and share a picture with Josey. We are excited to see your creativity!!!</p>	<p>Wear the</p> <p>with pride!</p> <p>Make sure you get a photo with your other 4-H friends.</p>	<p>Post a photo on social media of your favorite 4-H memory.</p> <p>Don't forget to tag @IowaStateExtensionOutreachHowardCounty or email it to inolan@iastate.edu.</p>	<p>Bring treats for your teachers thanking them for supporting your education.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Send a thank you to a 4-H leader or volunteer who has helped you.</p>

Have a fantastic National 4-H Week!



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