



April 3 Weekly Update

Due to the ever-changing news in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have decided to offer weekly bulletins on Fridays, instead of an April 4-H Newsletter.

YQCA Flash Sale—April Only

YQCA is offering a flash sale for web-based training during the month of April for a reduced fee! Visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/yqca>, and print off the coupon order form. This will purchase the \$12/person online web-based training for a reduced rate of \$9/person. The coupon order form must be filled out and mailed in with a check payment – this offer will not allow the use of a credit card payment. YQCA will then issue the coupon code to purchase the online course.

4-H Club Leader Virtual Meeting Resources

Leaders should have received an email from Amy with information regarding virtual meetings for 4-H Clubs. These resources have also been added to our Club Support page on the Mahaska County Extension website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/club-support>.

At-Home Learning Resources

We are continuing to post daily activities on the Mahaska County 4-H Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Mahaska4H. Iowa 4-H will also post daily activities. Next week's Iowa 4-H theme focuses on all things food! From growing to preparing and serving, youth can explore five days of learning about food that will be launched on Monday, April 6.

Monday: STEM Learn about how Iowa farmers grow crops for food and other products.

Tuesday: Clover Kids Learn how pizza is made by listening to a book, taking a virtual field trip, and creating pizza artwork.

Wednesday: Wellness Expand your creativity and cooking skills by participating in the Grilled Cheese Challenge!

Thursday: Civic Engagement Use your hands to larger service for pets in your community. Learn how to make healthy pet treats that you can donate to an animal shelter.

Friday: Visual Arts Plan a meal and make it beautiful by learning about table setting

These activities and much more can be found on the Iowa 4-H Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Iowa4H.

Poultry Market Broilers

We will once again hold our Mahaska County Farm Bureau sponsored Market Broiler contest at the county fair. If you would like to order market broilers, please contact Helena Hayes at 641-673-0876 or helenahayes74@yahoo.com by May 1st. Full details can be found on our website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>.

Rabbit Project Tips

The Mahaska County Livestock Special-Interest 4-H Club is providing monthly tips for various project areas. This month's tip is provided by Elsie Antolik: **Pick out a rabbit that is the right size for you to handle. Handle your rabbit with care. Rabbits are already nervous by nature. Make sure your rabbit has fresh, clean feed every day. Work with your rabbit often so it gets used to you. Make sure your rabbit has a fan on it when it's hot to keep it cool.**

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