Today is a beautiful day! The perfect time to get outside and be thankful for all we are given!

A reminder that ALL animals, with the exception of rabbit and poultry must be ID in 4-H online BY MAY 15TH to be eligible to show at county and state fair. Families are responsible for enter ALL of their own animals this year. Extension staff will not do it for them. Your YQCA training must also be completed by May 15th.

We have all of our day camps scheduled and are excited to share them with you! We have a great variety this year from Art, STEM, Ag, and Engineering! We hope you join us!

Remember to still be attending your club meetings/events, and responding to your leaders as they send out communication if you are unable to attend!

Best wishes, Megan and Chelsea

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We want YOU to run for Central Iowa Fair Queen. Applications are due by Monday, June 11, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. This will be a wonderful opportunity for any girl over the age of 16 and under 21. The new fair queen will receive a $100 scholarship and the runner up will receive $25 cash. We have several events planned and know you will have a great time.

We are looking for our next 2021 CIF Little Miss Princess. If you are currently living in the Marshall County and are currently (2020/2021) in grades Kindergarten through Third grades you are invited to participate in this year’s Little Miss CIF Princess activity. This activity is in conjunction with the Central Iowa Fair, which is scheduled for the week of July 14 – 17, 2021. Applications must be completed and returned to Jodi Breniman no later than Monday, June 14, 2021.

Applications can be found here! Please contact Jodi Breniman, queen coordinator at 641-750-6096 if you have any questions!
4-H'ers for 4-H is an annual campaign put on by the Iowa 4-H State Council. We encourage all 4-H clubs to donate $3.00 per club member. An informational flier can be found here.

2021 Central Iowa Fair
July 14-17
Static Judging: July 13
Theme:
Let the Good Times Grow

2021 4-H and FFA Sheep and Goat weigh-ins will be held on May 2nd from 1-3pm at the fairgrounds livestock barn! $5 for county fair and $10 for county and state fair! Call the Extension Office with questions!

Join us for our 2021 Summer Day camps!
We plan to offer the following camps:
Babysitting Basics: June 9th, 5-8th grade
Engineering Everywhere: June 23rd, 4-6th grade
Gardening to Give: June 28, Kindergarten-3rd grade
Color Your World through STEAM: June 29th, Kindergarten-3rd grade
Agriculture is Everywhere: July 1, 4th-8th
Gardening is Agriculture Too: July 22 and 23, Kindergarten-3rd grade
Invent STEM: July 28th, 8-12th grade

Check our website to sign up for our day camps and to see starting times and locations!

Each camp must have 5 youth signed up in order to hold the camp and will be limited to 10 youth.
Costs will be $10 per camp per child and must be paid before they attend camp.

The Central Iowa Fairboard is excited to offer two opportunities for clubs to get involved at fair. The first is a Wooden Spool decorating fundraiser, the next is an ice cream making contest. Each leader received instructions on this to discuss with their club members.
The 2021 4-H/FFA section of the fairbook is now up on our website. Also updated and on the website are the bottle/bucket ID forms and fair entry instructions. To save on cost and paper waste, we will not be printing hard copies of the fairbook this year. Leaders and superintendents will get one hard copy.

POPTABS FOR JACY
Jacy was a 2017 State 4-H Council member who passed away from Ewing’s Sarcoma. He collected 1000’s of pounds of pop tabs during his battle and we want to continue that tradition. Flier can be found here.

PRACTICES FOR THE 2021 FAIR
Practices for the 2021 fair will begin on May 11th at 6:30pm, at the picnic shelter. They will be every Tuesday until the fair. Be sure your animals are up to date on all vaccines. If you have questions please contact Erin Calkins, Dog superintendent.

POULTRY PROJECT
For the 2021 Central Iowa Fair Pullorum Typhoid Testing will be required for all poultry that will be exhibiting. Now is the time to be purchasing your birds for the fair!

SWINE ID
Tags are now available for pick up for county and state fair swine! Please call or email Megan to schedule a pick up time. They must be ID and entered in 4-H online by May 15th to be eligible!

YOUTH AMBASSADOR FUNDRAISER
The Marshall County Youth Ambassadors will be serving food at the Central Iowa Fair Spring Concert on May 22nd. They will be serving from 6:30-11pm. Come support their scholarship program!

LIVESTOCK ID
Animal ID deadline is coming up in just over a month!! ALL 4-H animals (except rabbit and poultry) must be put into 4-H online by May 15th to be eligible to show at county and state fair! Check out this helptsheet on how to enter them correctly!

If you plan to exhibit under FFA please be in contact with your advisor to get a paper ID form to fill out and return! If you ID them for state fair DOES NOT ID them for county fair.
Last Chance YQCA training will be held on May 12th at 6pm at the Extension Office.
If you are 4-12th grade showing any animal (except bucket/bottle calves, dog and horse) you are required to take YQCA **annually**. You can either take it online or attend in person. If you want take it online this year, I was able to get a limited number of coupon codes to pay for the online training, email Megan for a coupon code. You can find the YQCA family flier on our website. It will walk you through registering and completing your course. If you attend in person you will receive a coupon code to cover the cost of your course. Email Megan to get a code and registration helpsheet.

FFA members who plan to attend in person must pre-register and pay before attending. The cost for attending is $3.00. Your advisors have registration information. This course must be complete by May 15th to show at County fair. NO EXCEPTIONS

**NEW THIS YEAR!!**
Only **ONE** day! Wednesday June 30th!
To register click [here](#)! Registration limited to 130 youth! Do not delay!
Cost is only $50.00 this year! Financial assistance available
Includes transportation to the event!!
If you've completed 8th grade and an Iowa 4-H member, you're eligible to attend. You will get to experience campus life and meet new people from around the state! You will be having fun while learning by doing, networking, and serving others. You will get to learn innovative things to take back to your community and school, and in the process you might even discover something new about yourself!
If you have a specific interest in animal science, you might want to look into becoming part of the Round Up track taking place at the same time as the Youth Conference!
Please join us this summer for one of the most incredible days of your life at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference!
Contact Megan if you have any questions!
We would love to see youth from Marshall County Attend!

**RABBIT PROJECT**
Practices for the spring will be as follows, all from 3-4pm at the fairgrounds:
May 2,16,23, June 6,13,27, July 11
Now is also a good time to start shopping if you plan to add rabbits or are just starting out. If you need help finding or picking rabbits, Sally, Amber, Chelsia, and Sarah are always willing to help!