Hello 4-H Families,

We are finally one step closer to spring! I know I am looking forward to warmer weather. While I am hoping for warmer weather, there are so many other things I am looking forward to. Some of these include summer camps, fair, and a variety of workshops! What are some things that you are looking forward to or would like to achieve this spring or summer? The State 4-H Council has one particular goal in mind that they would like to achieve, but it requires help from all of us. They are hosting Pop Tabs for Jacy again this year! **The State 4-H Council would like to collect 1,000 tabs as a state or 10 pounds from each county.** This is a memorial pop tab collection drive in memory of Jacy McAAlexander, a State 4-H Council member who lost his courageous battle with cancer during his 2017-18 term on council. The drive runs until June 28, 2022 and all pop tabs will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. We have a collection container at the Extension Office for those who would like to contribute. Between setting an individual goal or a club goal, I believe that as a county we can reach our goal of 10 pounds of pop tabs!

Sincerely,

Bailey Dohlman—County Youth Coordinator

**Looking for Volunteers!** Throughout the year, we implement a variety of workshops and activities for youth in 4-H. Volunteers are critical to make these events happen. Being a 4-H volunteer does not only provide a positive impact on youth members, it also can provide excitement and pride to the volunteer themselves. If you are interested making a positive impact on youth in our community by being a 4-H volunteer, please reach out to me via email at bdohlman@iastate.edu or by phone at 641-735-5574.
Upcoming Weigh-In Dates

Sheep and Swine weigh-in dates are coming up. Sheep weigh-in is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th from 8-10am. Swine weigh-in is scheduled for Friday, April 8th from 3:30-5:30pm. Members will receive a letter when the dates are closer. Contact the Extension Office if you have any questions.

Legislative Insider

On February 9th, Emma Schipper, a member of Jenkins Sunshine Club, represented Mitchell County 4-H at the Legislative Insider day at the State Capitol in Des Moines. Legislative Insider day is an opportunity for 4-H members to learn and experience the legislative process. While at the capitol, we were able to meet with our local representatives and share our thoughts with them.

Emma shared her experience from the day. "I really enjoyed this experience, as I learned a lot from it about lobbying our representatives and how to build relationships with other leaders. During the first part of our day, we were at the Wallace Building. There we had a short presentation and then moved on to lobbying in the Capitol rotunda. After lobbying, we moved on to the Botanical Gardens. There we had a good lunch and moved on to our afternoon sessions. I personally did not enjoy these sessions as much as the actual lobbying, but I can see how someone who has never participated in something like this could find them very informative. Overall, I would recommend this experience to anyone who is interested in government or wants to learn more about the legislative process.

Read Across Iowa

March is designated as national reading month. Reading is fun and is crucial for development and learning. To promote reading this month, we are providing bingo cards to youth in grades K-4 through the schools. If you would like to pick up a copy of the bingo card, we will have copies at the Extension Office. Those who complete two bingsos can return their card for a prize!

MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL THROUGH YOUTH-ADULT PARTNERSHIPS AND RESEARCH-BASED EXPERIENCES.
ST. PATRICK’S 4-H DANCE

Sunday, March 13th
Osage VFW
Cost: $3

Open for all youth in 4th-8th grades
Grades 4th-6th: 6:00—7:30 p.m.*
Grades 7th—8th: 6:15-8:00 p.m.

We are staggering the start/stop time - Hopefully this will help with the traffic flow.
*If 7th & 8th graders have younger siblings, the siblings can stay so there is just one pick up time for parents. This dance is open to ALL youth in the community.

MUSIC, DANCING, CONCESSIONS, AND FUN!!

Music provided by “The 4-H Tech Team”

SPONSORED BY MITCHELL COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL AND LEADERSHIP LEAGUE
JUNIOR COMMUNITY PARTNER NIGHT

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022
7:30 P.M.
VS. BISMARCK BOBCATS

Enjoy a night out as a group, with discounted tickets and the fastest sport on ice!

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OR CALL THE FRONT OFFICE AT:
641-423-GOAL (4625)

**Ticket orders will be delivered electronically and can be printed at home**
Join us for a day full of exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). Engage in activities centered on STEM fields, learn more from STEM role models and the amazing opportunities at Iowa State! Conference is for 8-10th grade students.

March 24, 2022 | 9 AM - 3 PM
March 31, 2022

Cost: $25 (includes lunch)
scholarships available

Register today!
wise.iastate.edu

Questions:
Sarah DuBois
sedubois@iastate.edu
MARTKET BROILER PROJECT & ORDER FORM

All 4th—12th gr. exhibitors interested in entering the Market Broiler class will need to place an order for broiler chicks through the Extension office by April 15 to exhibit in this class. Each order consists of 10 chicks (all male) and the cost is $26.10 per order of 10 chicks.

The chick pick up date is TBD at the Extension office, 315 Main St., Osage. Hoover's is experiencing higher demand for birds at this time and can not give us a pick up date until birds are ordered. Bring a suitable container to transport your chicks home. Return the form below with payment by April 15th to place your order.

BEFORE THE CHICKS ARRIVE:
Remove all dirt and old litter from the chicken house. Sweep the floor, walls, and ceiling. Wash the house out thoroughly using a pressure nozzle, a lot of water and "elbow grease." Repair the windows, doors, screens and ventilators to prevent drafts and keep out predators. Use a disinfectant to disinfect the building and all the equipment. Cover the dry floor with 4 inches of dry litter. Use shavings, sawdust, or other available clean, dry material as litter. Put a brooder guard around the heat source, feeders, and waterers. Place the feeders and waterers around the heat source so the heat is in the middle of the circle. Adjust the temperature to 95 degrees F. about 2 inches above the litter several hours before the chicks arrive. Fill feeders and waterers at the same time.

For more information on the poultry project or other 4-H projects go to 4-H website:

http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock/poultry.htm

Mark the Calendar! Mitchell Co. Fair poultry check-in will be on Tue., Aug. 2nd at 5-6 p.m.
*All poultry will be inspected by a vet upon arrival.

There will be a cash prize for the heaviest market broiler weighed in at the Mitchell Co. Fair.

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MARKET BROILER ORDER FORM

Please detach and return to the Extension office by APRIL 15, 2022

Name(s) ___________________________ Club/Chapter ___________________________
Address ___________________________ Leader/Advisor ___________________________
City ___________________________ State ______ Zip ___________
Phone # ___________________________ Cell # ___________ E-mail ___________________________

☐ 10 Chicks = $26.10
☐ 20 Chicks = $52.20
☐ 30 Chicks = $78.30

(*Families with 3 exhibitors may share 2 orders. Families with 4 exhibitors may share 3 orders. etc...)
Please bring a suitable container to pick up chicks on TBD at the Mitchell Co. Extension office.

4-H/FFA member signature: ___________________________ Paid ______

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Animal Science Roundup

The Animal Science Roundup will be held June 28-30, 2022 at the Hansen Agricultural Student Learning Center at Iowa State University. The species for roundup this year are beef, dairy cattle, dog, horse, poultry, sheep, and swine. Only 20 youth per species will be selected to attend. If you are interested and would like to apply for Animal Science Roundup visit https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/animalscienceroundup and select the application form. Applications are due March 15. Youth will be notified by April 1 of their approval and what species. Youth selected to attend Animal Science Roundup will have a registration fee of $180.00. Scholarships are available through the Extension Office.

2022 Virtual Pet Show Winners!

We had two members participate in our 2022 Virtual Pet Show. Submissions were posted on the ISU Extension and Outreach Mitchell County Facebook page. Winners were calculated through the amount of likes, shares, and comments. These members each won a category and will be receiving a 4-H goodie bag!

Khloe W. entered her dog Boe into the Best Facial Expression Category.

Brooke I. entered three pictures into the pet show. From left to right, her Fuzzy into Best Facial Expression, Buttercup into Coziest Cat, and Cooper into the Best Boy or Girl Category.

4-H Pledge

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.
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