



POWESHIEK COUNTY 4-H NEWS

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

March 1st: 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications Due
March 8th: Jr. 4-H Omaha Zoo Overnight Safari Registration Due
March 9th: Central Iowa 4-H/FFA Rabbit and Cavy Workshop
March 15th: Iowa Dairy Goat Association Share A Kid Program Registration Due
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April 27th: Warhawk Industrial Judging Contest
April 27th & 28th: Ranch Judging Seminar, Riders Clinic and Show
May 2nd: Statewide Home Improvement Workshop
May 5th: Iowa Dairy Goat Association Fitting and Showmanship Clinic registrations due
May 15th: Bucket Of Junk Contest Entries Due

March 2024

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

Do you plan on showing livestock at the 2024 county fair? If so, you must complete a Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training by **July 1st, 2024**.

Did you know that YQCA trainings are offered online?
How to register for YQCA online:

- Visit [YQCA \(yqcaprogram.org\)](https://yqcaprogram.org)
- If you are a new user create an account OR
If you are a returning user log into your account
*** Parents should create an account under their name then later add each child
- Select the appropriate course for the 4-H member based on their age (as of 1/1/2024)
- Complete registration by adding the appropriate course to your cart and making a purchase
- After purchase, return to the homepage and select "take the course".
- Complete the pre-test, the course, and the post test.

Save or print and email your completion certificate to xpoweshiek@iastate.edu by July 1st!



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4-H Information

Poweshiek County Bucket of Junk Contest

The 2024 Bucket of Junk Contest is sponsored by the Poweshiek County Fair Fun Committee

The goal of the Bucket of Junk Contest is to use the items in your bucket to create a sculpture or lawn art piece. You may clean, sand, weld, glue, cut, bolt, fasten, bend, shape, and paint/finish items that you are provided, but no pieces may be added. Entries will be judged on artistic merit and technical merit.

A youth team will be made up of one adult to provide guidance to one youth. It is expected the youth will do most of the welding on the item.

To enter, provide your first and last name, contact phone number, and email address to the Poweshiek County Fair Office at (641) 236-7959 or powfair@iowatelecom.net by May 15th , 2024

In June, the buckets of junk will be available at the Poweshiek County Fair Office.

Entries are to be completed and dropped of at the Poweshiek County Fair Exhibit Building in July when the fair starts.

The finished product can be auctioned during the Project Sale/Auction at the Poweshiek County Fair.

Poweshiek County Fair Livestock Show Schedule

SPECIES	SHOW DAY/DATE	TIME
DOG AGILITY	WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH	8:00 AM
DOG OBEDIENCE	WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH	30 MINUTES FOLLOWING AGILITY
RABBIT	WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH	1:00 PM
POULTRY	WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH	4:00 PM
HORSE HALTER	THURSDAY, JULY 18TH	8:00 AM
HORSE PERFORMANCE	THURSDAY, JULY 18TH	30 MINUTES FOLLOWING HALTER
BEEF	FRIDAY, JULY 19TH	8:00 AM
BOTTLE CALF	FRIDAY, JULY 19TH	FOLLOWING BEEF SHOW
HORSE GAMES	FRIDAY, JULY 19TH	2:00 PM
SWINE	SATURDAY, July 20th	8:00 AM
GOATS	SATURDAY, July 20th	4:00 PM
SHEEP	SATURDAY, July 20th	FOLLOWING GOAT SHOW

ALL CLOVER KIDS SHOWS WILL BE THE 1ST THING BEFORE THE 4-H/FFA SHOWS

4-H 202 Revised and Updated

The 4-H 202 Animal Identification, Weighing, and Exhibiting Requirements for the County, State, and Interstate has been revised and updated.

This publication has two purposes:

- (1) To summarize regulations relating to exhibiting animals at 4-H shows
- (2) To provide additional suggestions for staff members and county program committees as they plan 4-H shows.

It is the expectation that all 4-H shows will comply with the regulations in this publication. Shows may have rules that are more restrictive but not less restrictive than state rules.

Please [click here](#) to view the 4-H 202 Animal Identification, Weighing, and Exhibiting Requirements for the County, State, and Interstate form.

Iowa State Fair Livestock Email

We are just a short 6 months away from catching our Fair Fever at the 2024 Iowa State Fair! As you prepare your livestock and horticulture exhibits throughout the spring, we wanted to share a few rule changes that may impact exhibitors. Major changes or updates are addressed in the [2024 4-H Livestock Fast FAQs document](#).

The full [Iowa State Fair Premium Book](#) will be released later this spring. Additional information for 4-H members exhibiting at the Iowa State Fair can be found [here](#). Entry information, exhibitor letters and stalling information will be added closer to fair.

If you have questions regarding the Fast FAQs document or exhibiting at the Iowa State Fair, please contact your local Extension Office.

Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs Reference Guide

Plan ahead for a successful foods at fair experience!
Use the Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs Reference Guide to help you:

- (1) Select an acceptable food product for exhibit
- (2) Find an approved recipe source
- (3) Identify the appropriate food preparation method

Please [click here](#) to view the Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs Reference Guide



4-H Opportunities

4-H Foundation Scholarships

Iowa 4-H members are eligible to apply for 4-H scholarships if they meet individual scholarship requirements. A full list of 4-H Foundation Scholarships and their criteria can be found [here](#).

To learn more about the Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships, visit [Scholarships | Iowa 4-H Foundation \(iowa4hfoundation.org\)](https://iowa4hfoundation.org)

All applications are due March 1, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.



Jr. 4-H Omaha Zoo Overnight Safari



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Jr. 4-H Omaha Zoo Overnight Safari

WHAT:

An overnight "Sleeping Bag Safari" to the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. You will sleep near the animals and experience the zoo in a fun new way. Experience behind the scene tours, a night hike, and the Lozier IMAX Theatre, where the screen is as tall as four giraffes and as wide as seven rhinos.

WHO:

Region 18 4-H Members in 4th - 6th grade.

WHEN:

Friday, April 05 at 4:30 pm to Saturday, April 06 at 5:00 pm. Register in 4-H Online under the events tab & send/drop off your payment to the Extension Office by March 08.

Register early because seats on the bus fill up fast!

COST:

\$170 - Poweshiek County Extension will reimburse half, making the cost \$85 for Poweshiek County 4-H'ers!

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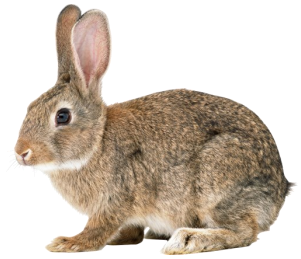


Questions: Contact the Poweshiek County Extension & Outreach at 641-623-5188 or xpoweshiek@iastate.edu

Central Iowa FFA/4-H Rabbit and Cavy Workshop

When: Saturday, March 9 from 12:30 – 4:00 pm
(No cost to attend and registration is not required)
Where: Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax

Speakers will discuss rabbit and cavy breeds and health.
Rabbit tattooing and cavy tagging will be available.
Youth are encouraged to bring their rabbits and cavies to be evaluated and to show them in a “practice” show. Rabbit and cavies will be for sale.
Youth in attendance will receive free tickets for drawings for rabbit and cavy supplies.



Youth can build a carrier (for a cost). To reserve supplies call Bill at 515-556-5123 or email wolferabbit3@mediacombb.net.

Iowa Dairy Goat Association - Share A Kid Program

Each year, the Iowa Dairy Goat Association coordinates the Share-A-Kid program that engages youth in the dairy goat industry.

Youth applicants must submit an essay of 100 words or more telling why they are interested in the dairy goat project area and how they plan to care for the animal.

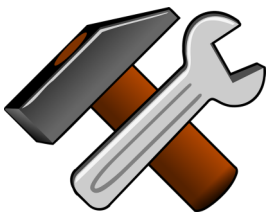
Learn more about the program and application requirements on the [Iowa Dairy Goat website](#).

Applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2024, to be considered this year.



State 4-H Home Improvement Workshop

The State 4-H Home Improvement Team is offering virtual project workshops in the home improvement project area!



March 28, 2024 from 5-6pm: Furniture Finishes and Techniques for Finishing or Refinishing Home Improvement or Woodworking Projects

May 2, 2024 from 5-6pm: Creating Floor Plans and Exploring Accessibility in Floor Plans

4-H Members (4th-12th grade) can register for this event in their 4-H online profile.

4-H Day With The Cardinals

The twenty-first annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals will be May 18, 2024, when the Cardinals take on the Boston Red Sox at 6:15 p.m. at Busch Stadium.

Tickets are \$30 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt with the 4-H clover and Cardinals logo. In addition, 4-H members who participate in a raffle will have the chance to throw out the first pitch, and everyone will have the opportunity to participate in a parade around the field prior to the game!

Register through Cvent or through [MO 4-H](#) by March 29th.

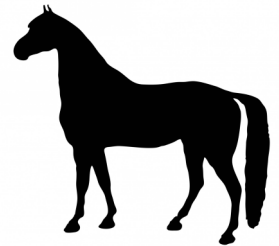


Equine Extravanga

When: Friday, April 12th - Sunday, April 14th

Where: Ellsworth College Equine Center in Iowa Falls

Equine Extravaganza provides opportunities for all youth in grades 4-12 to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. Depending on the event, youth can participate both as an individual and as part of a team.



To register or for more information please visit the [4-H Equine Extravaganza](#)

I-CASH for Agricultural Youth Grant Program

Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (I-CASH) is funded by the Iowa Legislature. The mission of I-CASH is to lead statewide partnerships that promote agricultural safety and health.

Each year, I-CASH [designates funds for community grants to youth](#) aimed at the prevention of farm-related injury.

[Applications](#) are due April 1, 2024 and funding announcements will be made by April 15, 2024.



States' 4-H Exchange - Host Family Recruitment



Have you ever wanted to experience different cultures but do not have upcoming plans to travel to a different country? Don't miss out on the opportunity to host a Japanese youth!

The [States' 4-H Exchange International Program](#) seeks Iowa families to host a Japanese exchange student (ages 12-17) or an adult chaperone for 3.5 weeks this summer. This is a great opportunity to assist these students in experiencing American culture while also experiencing Japanese culture yourself.

Families do not need to be involved in the Iowa 4-H program to host. Families who would like to host a youth should have a child in the home between the ages of 11-17 as host families will be paired with a Japanese child of the same gender and within 3+ years of age.

Iowa State Fashion Show Behind the Scenes Day

Any high school-aged youth interested in fashion or wanting to pursue a career in the industry is invited to attend Behind the Scenes Day for the Iowa State Fashion Show.

Behind the Scenes Day is April 19, 2024.

The cost to attend Behind the Scenes Day is \$10.



During this event, youth will engage in hands-on activities and speak with current students. At the end of the day, students are invited to sit in the front row of the final dress rehearsal of the Fashion Show.

To register or for more information, visit the [Behind the Scenes Day webpage](#).

Iowa Dairy Goat Association Fitting and Showmanship Clinic

The Iowa Dairy Goat Association will be hosting a Showing and Fitting Clinic on May 11, 2024, from 9 AM to 3 PM in Bondurant.

The clinic includes sessions on succeeding in the ring through showmanship, fitting tips and tricks and a judging clinic.

Interested youth should contact Judi McIvor at 515-250-4836. Registration due May 5th



Warhawk Industrial Judging Contest



**NORTH MAHASKA FFA INAUGURAL
WARHAWK
INDUSTRIAL
JUDGING CONTEST**

APRIL 27

**OPEN TO ALL 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS
\$50/TEAM**

4 SPECIES LIVESTOCK CONTEST
2 CLASSES EACH OF CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, & GOATS

**HALTER & PERFORMANCE EQUINE
CONTEST**

SCHEDULE TIME

Registration 8-9
Contest Start 9-15

**GRADE 7-12 STUDENT'S ELIGIBLE: SENIOR HIGH
& MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISIONS**

**LUNCH
PROVIDED
WITH ENTRY**

**INDIVIDUAL &
TEAM
AWARDS FOR
EACH
DIVISION**



Contact Ashley Warren at 641-660-8008
or warrena@nmwarhawks.org
for more information.

Ranch Judging Seminar, Riders Clinic and Show

AQHA c3 APHA Professional Horseman, carded APHA, ApHC, NSBA, NRHA, and GVHS Judge,

Heather Young

Is coming to the Ellsworth Equestrian Center, Iowa Falls

for a Ranch Judging Seminar, Riders Clinic & Show!

April 27th & 28th



Saturday...



Halter c3 Ranch Riding

Judges Seminar,
Clinic & Lunch from 9
until 2:30
Performance Halter
and Ranch Riding will
be judged following
lunch.



Sunday...

**Ranch Rail c3 Ranch
Trail**

Judges Seminar, Clinic
& Lunch from 9 until
2:30
Ranch Rail and Ranch
Trail will be judged
following lunch.

High Point Buckles Awarded after the show!

Heather Young is an American Quarter Horse Association and American Paint Horse Association Professional Horseman based in Gainesville, Texas. She specializes in versatility ranch horses, reining and cow horses. She is a carded APHA, National Snaffle Bit Association, National Reining Horse Association and American Stock Horse Association judge. Her clients have earned APHA world and reserve world championships, AQHA reserve championships and money in NRHA competition.

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Rider participation is limited. Non-Rider Participants must pre-register. For More Information and to reserve your spot as a rider or audience, contact: Kresney Johnson. Text: (940)372-9859. Email: kresneyjohnson@gmail.com. Checks, Credit Cards, and Venmo are accepted. Please make checks out to IQHA District 3. Proceeds are to benefit IQHA District 3.

The Details	\$	Judges Seminar	Lunch	Ride w/ Alex	Stall w/ shavings	All 4 classes
Audit 1 Day	\$75	X	X			
Audit 2 Days	\$100	X	X	X	X	X
Ride in Clinic	\$400	X	X	X	X	X
Audit and Complete	\$200	X	X	X	X	X
Complete Only	\$150				X	X

State 4-H Council - Do All The Good You Can Initiative

We are excited to announce the State 4-H Council's newest service initiative, Do All the Good You Can!

Sign up with the link below to receive bi-monthly service challenges to give back to your community! Your club or group will log hours or things donated. The counties with the most hours by Youth Conference in June will be recognized at the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference in June.

We look forward to hearing all of the good you are able to do this year!

Registration Link: ["Do All the Good You Can" Challenge Registration 2024 \(jotform.com\)](https://jotform.com)

Service Recording Form: ["Do All the Good You Can" Challenge Record 2024 \(jotform.com\)](https://jotform.com)



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