



# RINGGOLD COUNTY 4-H NEWS

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**

December 1  
4-H Fees go up to \$35

December 11  
4-H/FFA Market Beef Weigh-in  
9:00-11:00am Werner Feed  
Efficiency Testing Center

December 12  
County Council 6pm

December 23– 25  
Holiday– Office Closed

December 31  
Holiday– Office Closed

January 8  
Clover Kids 9am Extension  
Office

January 9  
County Council 6pm

January 12  
Fair Board mtg

February 1  
Market Beef verification in 4-H  
Online

## December 2021

### A Note from Loran and Dawn,

With it now being December and snowy weather coming our way one day, it is now the perfect time to start thinking about your static exhibits. This could be working on woodworking projects in the garage or perfecting your baking technique in the kitchen, this is a great time to start!

The Extension Staff would like to wish you Happy Holidays and thank you for another great 4-H year. We are thankful we have wonderful volunteers, supporters and 4-H members! Thank you for all you do and we hope you are looking forward to another great year in Ringgold County 4-H. Have a safe and happy holidays from all of us at the Ringgold County Extension Office!

*Loran Sneller & Dawn Dugan*

### UPCOMING OFFICE

### CLOSURES:

Our office will be closed on  
December 23-25th and  
December 31st

**REMINDER– NO DECEMBER  
CLOVER KIDS**



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
Extension and Outreach

# Virtual Training Schedule Announced for Individuals Interested in 4-H Judging

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H Youth Development will be hosting free, statewide virtual judges training for anyone interested in becoming a judge or refreshing their skills. To judge 4-H exhibits at any county fair or state fair event, training is required and available for free. The training content applies to all static judges and all categories.

The training schedule and registration links are available on the ISU Extension and Outreach webpage:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/virtual-training-schedule-announced-individuals-interested-4-h-judging>

## Robotics

Are you interested in Robotics?

Be on the lookout for more information in the January Newsletter!

Loran is in the process of learning so bare with me!

## Attention High School Seniors

College scholarship applications through the Iowa 4-H Foundation are now open, through March 1, 2022.

Apply today! Find more information about the available 4-H scholarships here—>

[www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships)



## Clover Kids:

January 8th @ 9am at the Extension Office

February 12th @ 9am at the Extension Office

## 4-H 202 Livestock

### Show Requirements

This publication is required reading for anyone who plans to show livestock at any show. Review for the most up to date rules and requirements for showing and identifying your 4-H livestock.

<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194>

## Project Highlight

We will continue on highlighting a project area. Our next project area will be STEM.

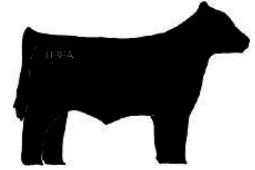
STEM is a growing field and has so much to offer to everyone. It allow you to explore the world we live and understand things around us. Ideas for this project could be the following:

- How fabrics are made from fibers
- Keep your kitchen germ free

Youth can exhibit this in a variety of ways though communication exhibits or a poster about your findings.

To find more information on project areas visit: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects-list>

# MARKET BEEF WEIGH-IN



All 4-H and FFA members planning to identify market beef (steers, heifers, returning bucket calves being shown in the market division) for exhibition MUST bring their animal(s) to our countywide weigh-in. Animals weighed in become eligible to:

- Be exhibited at the 2022 Ringgold County Fair and/or Iowa State Fair
- Participate in the rate-of-gain contest (if also exhibited at the Ringgold County Fair)
  - Participate in the Cattlemen's Choice Market Animal contest

Weigh-in is set for: Saturday, December 11th from 9:00 – 11:00 am @ Werner Feed Efficiency Testing Center.

- Pay \$2.00 per head for the special 4-H ear tag. All previous ear tags will be removed before the 4-H ear tag is put in your animal's ear. New EID tags will be used this year.
- Pay \$5 per head to nominate for Iowa State Fair. Nomination means animals will be retinal imaged while at weigh-in. (nominating is optional).
- Families will enter animals brought to weigh-in into 4-H online 2.0 for identification as the 4-H member's project(s). All families will need to go into 4-H online 2.0 to complete the verification process by February 1. Help sheets are available to complete this process.

**PLEASE NOTE: Completing online enrollment prior to weigh-in is extremely helpful to FAMILIES.**

If you have any questions about WEIGH-IN, or have a conflict with the set date, please call the office at 641-464-3333.

## YQCA Required For Livestock Exhibitors

YQCA is required every year for all youth that plan to show livestock.

Log in to <https://learngrow.io/> and use your 4H Online 2.0 username and password to complete your training. There is an annual cost for the training.

**This needs to be done by July 1**



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