November 2021

A Note from Loran, County Youth Coordinator:

Hello Families,

I just want to take a moment and remind you all that now is the time to re-enroll. This is the last month that you will receive a discounted price for the 4-H Fees, starting December 1st the fee will go up to $35. Once you have enrolled and paid your dues you will be added to the email list for this program year. If you have not done this beginning in December you will not be receiving any 4-H emails from me.

If you have questions or need help with enrolling, please contact the office!

Link to 4-H Online: https://v2.4honline.com

Loran Sneller

Just wanted to take a moment to highlight some project areas within 4-H.

One program within animal science is Animal U, an online program where youth can increase their knowledge of livestock. Currently Swine, Beef, Food Safety & Microbiology and Pasture & Forages are available for youth to test their knowledge. Youth can practice or become certified in areas listed above.

Animal U can be accessed at: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/animalu/
**TIME TO ENROLL**

Welcome to the 2021-2022 4-H Year!!

4-H enrollment has to be completed annually. Enrollment for the 2021-2022 year is open in 4-H Online 2.0.

4-H Online 2.0 Website- [https://v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)

**4-H Fees**-

This year we are handling 4-H fees differently, the breakdown will look as follows-

- Fees paid September thru December 1st, you will pay $20
- Fees paid after December 1st, you will pay $35

If you have a Clover Kid the fee for them will be $5, no matter when they pay. This covers the cost of insurance for them.

We have been given donations to help cover the cost of the 4-H fees. If you feel like you could benefit from this, please let Dawn or Loran know.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Enrollment ensures that your 4-H member is covered by our 4-H insurance in an event something happens while at a 4-H activity.

**NOTE:** Enrollment is not complete until the membership fee is paid to the Extension Office and the member is enrolled online.

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**Clover Kids:**

November 13 @ 9am at Extension Office

We will not meet in December due to Beef Weigh-in

We will see you all on January 8

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**Join Iowa 4-H Camera Corps**

Are you interested in photography? Join a talented group of youth photographers from across Iowa that are working together to make beautiful, powerful, and creative photographs.

Each month, a photography theme is provided with a different focus. Technical tips and suggestions are provided to help you practice and create the most successful photographs for that theme. Jurors/Mentors provide individual feedback to each photographer about what is working well and ways they can keep practicing! Each submitted photograph will be exhibited digitally on the [Iowa 4-H Facebook](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/.../iowa-4-h-camera-corps) page where voting will be open to the public.

Need more information—→ [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/.../iowa-4-h-camera-corps](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/.../iowa-4-h-camera-corps)
WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE
Oct. 28-Nov. 19
Donate new or gently used coats, hats, boots, snow pants, scarves, mittens, and gloves to your local county Extension office!

Presented by the State 4-H Council

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 county-wide 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.
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