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Come Join the Fun!
4-H is a community of young people across the world who are learning how to live healthily, be leaders, become engaged in their communities, and use science and technology to make good decisions for their future and their communities’ future.

**Mission**
4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential through youth-adult partnerships and research-based experiences.

**Vision**
Preparing Iowa’s youth to be successful, contributing members of society.

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### WHAT IS 4-H

4-H programs are designed to teach
- Healthy Living
- STEM
- Leadership and Civic Engagement
- Communication and the Arts

### Community Club Program

The 4-H program is divided by grade level:
- Clover Kids (Kindergarten-2nd)
- Discovery (3rd Grade)
- Juniors (4th-6th Grade)
- Intermediates (7th-8th Grade)
- Seniors (9th-12th Grade)

### Clover Kids (Kindergarten-2nd Grade)
Clover Kids incorporates hands on curriculum for youth. Clover Kids may show small animals at the pet show and may bring up to three static exhibit items to the fair for show and tell. Many community clubs offer a clover kids program.

### Discovery Program (3rd Grade)
Youth in the discovery program can participate in projects designed just for them. Discovery members are allowed to show static exhibits, as well as dogs, cats, small pets, poultry, rabbits, and bucket calves.

Once a 4-H’er reaches 4th grade they can show all livestock and static exhibits.

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### 4-H PROGRAMS

**4-H Leader:** A caring adult is one of the main stays of the 4-H program. Organizational leaders are the main leaders of the club and handle overall organization of the club. They may have assistant leaders to help carry out certain responsibilities. There are also 4-H project leaders who teach specific project areas. Organizational leaders and project leaders are required to attend two county trainings per year. All have completed a background check in order to become leaders.

**4-H Project:** A 4-H project is an area of emphasis in which the 4-H’er enrolls, studies, learns, keeps records, and perhaps exhibits. Examples of project areas include: food and nutrition, computers, dog, photography, visual arts, etc. A 4-H’er may complete work in a project area without exhibiting at the county fair.

**4-H Exhibit:** A 4-H exhibit is an item resulting from project work that the 4-H’er has chosen to be exhibited at the fair and evaluated by a judge. An example of a 4-H exhibit is baking a loaf of bread.

**Community Service:** 4-H’ers may participate in a variety of community service projects. These may be completed individually or with their club group. They may select a special project each year, or they may have an ongoing project.

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### 4-H TERMINOLOGY

**Who Can Join**
Any youth in grades kindergarten through 12th grade are eligible to join 4-H.

**Annual Member Cost**
Kindergarten-3rd are **free**
$35 for 4th-12th grade