

Dodge County 4-H Newsletter



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Newsletter is going Electronic

As of May 1, 2016 families will no longer receive a hard copy of the 4-H newsletter. Families will receive the link to the newsletter in the weekly 4-H Blast. The newsletter will be posted on the Nebraska Extension in Dodge County webpage for your easy 24/7 access. If you would like to continue to receive a hard copy of the newsletter please call the office and ask Amber to put you on the "hard copy" list. Please inform us as soon as possible if you would like to be added to the hard copy list. Thank you for your assistance during this change!

Members MAY make changes to their project enrollment until *June 15, 2016*

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For 4-H Livestock and all other Projects

Enrollments & fees are required by **JUNE 15, 2016**

For 4-H horse project members:

Those entering/exhibiting at District and/or State 4-H Horse Exposition must submit by **MAY 13 DEADLINE by 4:30 pm**

- (1) 4-H enrollment/fee
- (2) advancement level tests
- (3) ID sheets
- (4) district/state entry forms

Those NOT entering/exhibiting at District and/or State 4-H Horse Exposition must submit by **JUNE 1 DEADLINE by 4:30 pm**

- (1) 4-H enrollment
- (2) advancement level tests
- (3) ID sheets

Deadlines set by state. Members submitting AFTER these state set deadlines will be INELIGIBLE to exhibit at the 2016 district/state shows and/or fairs.

4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Online 4-H Member Enrollment is here! Information is available online at <http://dodge.unl.edu/enrollingin4h>

And includes links to:

- Member Online Enrollment Directions
- Member Online Enrollment
- Dodge Co. Project Resource Central (formerly Pick-A-Project)
- Volunteer Online Enrollment Directions
- Volunteer Screening form

To enroll a member:

1. Pull up the 4-H online website at <https://ne.4honline.com>.
2. Using directions available online (<http://dodge.unl.edu/enrollingin4h>) through your leader or with this newsletter, enroll member online.
3. For payment...
 - **By credit card**, choose credit card and enter your information.
 - **By personal check or cash**, choose "check" and then mail or bring to Nebraska Extension—Dodge County office.
4. Submit completed enrollment.
5. Responses may include:
 - **Pending or Incomplete**— We may request additional information and/or be awaiting check/cash in office.
 - **Approved** — Enrollment is complete; payment is received.

Staff is happy to assist by phone, email or in person at the office.

Once an enrollment has been submitted, it is electronically forwarded to Amber's (Dodge County 4-H Assistant) email. Amber will then "approve" (confirm) the enrollment to make it official. Payment (\$10) fee must be received BEFORE enrollment is approved.

Step-by-step instructions are available online, in leader packets and with this newsletter.

4-H ENROLLMENT

FREQUENTLY ASKED ENROLLMENT ?s

We enrolled in 4-H last year. Do we have an existing account? Yes, but each year active members must re-enroll in 4-H to participate by logging in and enrolling for the current year.

Can staff enroll for me? No, but staff is happy to help.

What if I want to enroll my child but do NOT have access to a computer? You are welcome to use a Nebraska Extension computer and/or staff support within our office.

What is the Member Enrollment web address?
ne.4honline.com

Where can I find step-by-step enrollment directions? <http://dodge.unl.edu/enrollingin4h>

What if I live in one county but want to enroll my child/ren in a different county? On the first screen, “County” means the county where you will be doing 4-H— NOT the county in which you live. *[For example, if I live in Washington County but want to enroll in a Dodge county club, I would enter “Dodge” as my 4-H county.]*

What if I want to enroll my child/ren in two counties?

Regardless of your family’s address, choose one county to be your primary county. Enter that as your 4-H county on the first screen. Deeper into the record you will have the opportunity to enter a secondary county. Finally, you will enter the club in your primary county as your primary club and in the secondary county as your secondary club. *[For example, if I want to enter my child to primarily ride horses with Ridge Riders in Saunders County but to also do some home design projects in a Dodge County club, I would enter Saunders as my primary county and Dodge as my secondary.]*

What if I want to enroll my child but do NOT have an email address? An email address will be used as each family’s user/access code. If you do not have or choose not to share your email address, enter your last name and then “@noemail.com”. *[For example, Joe Smith would enter “smith@noemail.com”.]* Your child/ren will then be entered into the 4-H membership database. But all additional office contacts will be by phone or mail.

Is Clover Kids a club or a project? In 4-H, Clover Kids are youth ages 5-7 on January 1, 2016. In Dodge County, we also have a club in the North Bend area called “Clover Kids”. Enroll in your primary club and then— for youth age 5-7 on January 1, 2016— enroll in ONE project: Clover Kids project.

With no Dodge County Shooting Club, how do I enroll my child/ren in Shooting Sports project? Enroll in your primary club. Add shooting sports as a project with that club. Then contact Leo Blaha (402.693.2417) to learn about shooting sports project opportunities.

How do I pay for 4-H membership? 4-H memberships can be paid for by credit card, check or cash. To pay by credit card, choose the credit card option and follow the online directions. To pay by personal check or cash, choose the check option and submit payment to our office directly by mail or in person.

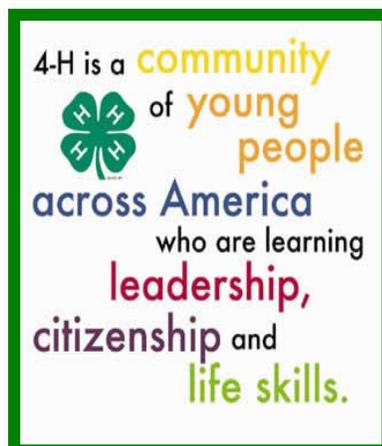
I submitted my child/ren’s enrollment— how will I know if I am done? Once the completed enrollment AND payment are received in our office, you will receive a confirmation email.

I submitted my child/ren’s enrollment and received the message “Enrollment looks good. Once we receive payment, your child will be officially enrolled.” Now what? If you selected “check” as your payment method, enrollment is NOT complete until the check or cash is received in our office. Once payment is received, you will receive a confirmation email.

I submitted my child/ren’s enrollment and received a message requesting additional information. Now what? Provide the additional information. Once the enrollment is completed with the additional information, you will receive a confirmation email.

Once I have successfully enrolled my child/ren, can I make changes to their record? Projects can be added or dropped until June, 15, 2016. Contact information can be changed throughout the year.

Do adult volunteers enroll online? Yes, this is new this year. If you were a volunteer last year the office set up an account for you or added you to your families account if you had child/ren enrolled last year. Find steps at <http://dodge.unl.edu/enrollingin4h>



4-H CLUBS

DODGE COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

	MEETING LOCATIONS	CONTACT LEADER	PHONE	CLUB FOCUS <i>varies unless noted</i>
4-H All Stars	Fremont	Jay Schroeder	402.721.6730	
4-H Expeditions	Homeschool, Fremont	Christina Pitterson	402.672.4218	
Bluffs Friendly Stockman	Rural Fremont	Jay Bang Nick Peterson	402.721.0275 402.720.7476	Livestock
City Slickers	Fremont, Hooper, Nickerson	Carin Sandman	402.484.8511	
Clover Clan	Dodge	Joan Ruskamp	402.693.2347	
Clover Kids	North Bend	Melissa Dunker	402.6523599	
DC Clovers	Fremont	Mandy Broeker	402.727.7663	
Fur & Feathers	Scribner, Dodge	Dan Beerbohm	402.568.2561	
Hearts & Hooves	Fremont	Jeff Hartman	402.721.6514	Livestock
Hooper Hoppers	Hooper	Faith Hemme	402.727.7266	
Logan Creek Leaders	Hooper	Sara Ness Amy Moeller	402.654.2351 402.654.2474	
Lucky Clovers	Scribner, Snyder	Annette Ebel	402.568.2603	
Platte Valley Kids	North Bend	Bonnie Nebuda	402.652.8788	
Rawhide Riders	Fremont	Jill Gossett	402.816.4378	Horse
Sugar and Spice	Fremont	Crystal Sixta	402.525.4615	
T.E.A.M. 4-H	Scribner, Hooper	Lisa Poppe	402.380.8463	

For Shooting Sports, contact Leo Blaha at 402.693.2417 or ltblaha@gpcom.net

We are always welcoming new clubs. If you would like to start your own 4-H club, please contact the Nebraska Extension - Dodge County office at 402.727.2775.

OPTIONAL 4-H RESOURCES

Buy instructional project materials (books, posters, DVDs)...

State <http://marketplace.unl.edu/ne4h/curriculum>

National <http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/curriculum/>

How to order 4-H materials:

Dodge County 4-H support staff will order materials upon request. 4-H volunteers/members pay the item costs plus tax; the Dodge County Extension Office pays the shipping costs.

4-H volunteers/members may order directly from either State or National website.



WHERE DO I FIND 4-H INFORMATION?

- **The Dodge County 4-H Website** (<http://dodge.unl.edu/county4h>): Check this website often as new information and dates are updated regularly. You will find programming information, project ideas and resources, livestock ID sheets, entry forms, newsletters, contests, scholarships, camps, workshops, and all fair information on the website.
- **The Dodge County 4-H Email Listserv**: If you are not currently on the Dodge County 4-H Email Listserv, and would like to receive time sensitive information and weekly updates, email Amber at amaassen2@unl.edu to be added to the listserv.
- **The Nebraska Extension**: Dodge County is on Facebook under Nebraska Extension in Dodge County. You will not only find 4-H updates, but Agriculture, Horticulture, Child Development and Food and Nutrition updates as well.

4-H LEADERSHIP



THE 4-H EMBLEM

The official 4-H Emblem is a clover with four leaves and an “H” on each leaf. The clover’s stem must point to the right as you look at the image.

The 4-H Emblem is not a plain four-leaf clover. If you are a 4-H member or volunteer, you are permitted to use the 4-H Name & Emblem once your program is chartered with the official 4-H charter from National 4-H Headquarters at the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension service (CSREES) within the United States Department of Ag (USDA). If you need more information or clarification contact the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County.

Karna Dam has joined the Dodge County Extension Team!

Karna Dam has been with Nebraska Extension for 26 years. Her focus area is 4-H and Youth with an emphasis in College and Career Readiness, Ag Literacy and STEM. Karna received her undergraduate degree in Animal Science in 1988 and in 2005 received her Master’s Degree in Youth Development. Signature programming areas for Karna include Learning Preference and serving as a tri-chair for the Online Livestock Quality Assurance Course required for all youth livestock exhibitors.

Karna and her husband Dwight farm near Hooper. They have two boys; Derek and a soon to be new daughter-in-law Whitney who are part of the family farming operation and Dylan who is currently a junior Ag Ed major at UNL with plans of attending Law School.

In her spare time, Karna directs the church choir, sings for many events and thoroughly enjoys spending bleacher time watching baseball and basketball.

You may contact Karna by email or phone.
Email: kdam2@unl.edu
Phone: 402.727.2775



4-H VOLUNTEER LEADER TEAM

The size and number of members in a 4-H volunteer leader team will vary from club to club, depending on the size and structure of the club. Each club will identify its individual needs and decide on the leader team that will work best.

Some volunteer 4-H Leader Options:

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER

(The main contact between the club and the Nebraska Extension office)

Manages and organizes the club

PROJECT LEADERS *(there may be several)*

Select and work on project activities

ACTIVITY LEADER

Organizes club activities not limited to:

- Community service
- Fundraising
- Trips and tours
- Promotional activities

CAREER PORTFOLIO LEADER

- Reviews Career Portfolios with members, helping them with record-keeping and completion.
- Shares up-to-date knowledge about possible awards and available scholarships

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

The 2016 club organizational packets are available and ready for you to pick up. All 2016 enrollment information is included in the packets. It is the responsibility of the organizational leader to arrange for member and volunteer online enrollment.

*****Due June 15, 2016*****

If your club would like to learn more about certain curriculum areas, parliamentary procedure, career portfolios or any other topic of your choice, contact the Nebraska Extension Office in Fremont and we can set up a date to come to your next club meeting.

4-H Enrollment directions are available at:

<http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dodge/enrollingin4h/>

2016 Dodge County 4-H Ambassadors

Emily Franzluebbers

Taylor Harms

Shae Moeller

Jamie Poppe



4-H PROJECTS

4-H PROJECT SELECTION

Selecting the right 4-H projects can be challenging. Careful planning and decision-making up front will increase member

satisfaction, improve completion and reduce frustrations. A resource to help you make a decision is the **Project Resource Central** available on the web at: <http://4h.unl.edu/4hcurriculum/projectresources> The Pick-A-Project guide lists all Nebraska 4-H projects and resources with a brief description, including recommended levels.

Tips for Parents & Club Leaders:

1. **Encourage members to pick just a few projects.** It is better to complete one project than to give up on many. Accepting responsibility is an important 4-H life skill. Completing a project is a good way for a 4-H'er to demonstrate responsibility.
2. **Encourage members to work on projects in related areas.** For example, members might enroll in foods AND horticulture — or home environment AND woodworking— or horse AND veterinary science.
3. **Encourage members to work at one level per project: beginning, intermediate OR advanced.** For example, avoid being in Woodworking I and Woodworking III the same year.
4. **Encourage members to select a project level based on the Project Resource Central recommendations AND their individual abilities.** For example, older members may start at a higher level IF the beginning projects are too basic for them.
5. **Encourage members to progress to the next project level** once the current level challenges have been either accomplished or repeated for several years.

The Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County staff is happy to help with project selection as needed.

Tips for Members:

When selecting a project, ask yourself:

- What do I like to do for fun?
- What do I want to learn?
- What do I already know about my interest area/s?
- How many years have I done this project or project level?
- What do I need to complete my projects: space, equipment, supplies, financial resources?
- How much time do I have to commit to the project?
- Who can help me with the project?

4-H TEACHES

Through the more than 150 4-H projects available, 4-H members learn practical skills such as fitness, meal preparation, clothing care, animal and human nutrition, first aid, woodworking, gardening, and more. Life skills are a part of every 4-H project. These daily skills include:

- solving problems
- communicating
- preparing for a career
- serving others
- choosing healthy lifestyles
- managing change and challenges

4-H wants our members to receive more from their projects than ribbons, trophies, trips and monetary gains. 4-H wants our members to acquire project knowledge and life skills. 4-H youth development professionals have evidence that 4-H programs benefit participants by helping them develop valuable life skills that will enable them to become better citizens.

Research shows that 4-H members use the responsibility skills they developed from 4-H projects to complete homework assignments, be on time at work, and care for younger siblings. These skills are benefiting youth in school, at home, and on the job to be more dependable, confident and qualified individuals. In particular, knowledge gained from raising 4-H animal projects assisted students in their understanding of biology, physiology, and genetics.

THE PURPOSE OF THE DODGE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

According to the Dodge County 4-H Council Constitution, Article II:

The purpose of the Dodge County 4-H Council is to assist the Dodge County Extension Staff in the promotion of 4-H and to help plan and carry out the various activities pertinent to the Dodge County 4-H Program.

Therefore, persons elected to the 4-H Council are empowered to make decisions regarding the Dodge County 4-H Program. Dodge County 4-H members, leaders, parents, and volunteers are encouraged to share their suggestions, concerns, and ideas with the 2016 4-H Council members in order to . . . *Make the best better!*

2016 DODGE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

Kris Dvorak	Robyn Harms
Aaron Hemme	Faith Hemme
Maria Kriete	Michele Larsen
Liesa Miller	Shae Moeller
Kyrsten Mottl	Kaylee Ness
Lindsay Peters	Hunter Purcell
Rachel Purcell	Anna Ready
Jay Schroeder	Kelly Witte

Camps & Contest

Northeast Interview Contest

New for 2016 there will not be a State Interview Contest. However, there will be a Northeast Regional Interview Contest held at the Lifelong Learning Center in Norfolk on May 26th. The same rules will apply. Interview Contest Resumes and cover letters will be due: May 12th to Mary Jarvi at the Norfolk District Office. Ribbons and Trophies will be awarded. Intermediate and Sr. Divisions are eligible. Stop in and pick up your entry form from the office or it can be found online at our website under 4-H Contests. Please contact the Office for more information or with questions.

DIAMOND CLOVER

**Deadline: November 1, 2016 by
4:30 pm**

**Nebraska Extension Office -
Dodge County**



4-H members of all ages are encouraged to get involved in the optional statewide form of recognition entitled "The Diamond Clover Program".

Member's participation will enhance their efforts with their Career Portfolio. 4-H members will gain self-esteem from successfully completing the requirements of each of the levels. Other opportunities the program offers includes: satisfaction gained through progress made towards self set goals, provide opportunity for developing youth and adult partnerships and projects completed will be valuable additions to resumes. If you did not participate in this program last year, now is the time to choose what level you want to start with. If you did participate last year then you need to move up to the next level and set your goals for this year. After filling out the front side of the form, give it to your leader for safe keeping throughout the year. In October, your leader will return the form and you can fill out the back page with your accomplishments.

Science Saturday's at Raising Nebraska, Grand Island

Celebrate the International Year of the Pulse through Science Saturdays, a free and open to the public event, at Raising Nebraska located on the State Fairgrounds in Grand Island, NE. Science Saturday occurs the second Saturday of every month with the facility open from 10:00 to noon. The highlighted program consists of an educational, interactive and fun 25 minute session. Upcoming programs include:

- May 14th – Pollinator Power
- June 11 – Create a Backyard Habitat
- July 9 – Selling your Beans

For more details about the Science Saturday program, visit www.raisingnebraska.net or contact Beth Janning at 308.385.3967 or ejanning2@unl.edu



BIG RED SUMMER ACADEMIC CAMPS

Sunday-Friday, June 5-10, 2016 At UNL, Lincoln

The 2016 Big Red Summer Academic Camps will be held in early June. These career exploration camps are a chance for you to explore the UNL campus, meet people from across the state, spend time investigating an interest or potential career and have lots of fun. The 2016 camps will be hosted by Nebraska 4-H and UNL faculty members in various academic areas across campus. Learn more about the camps offered at: <http://4h.unl.edu/4hcamps/bigredcamps>

2016 4-H SUMMER CAMP BROCHURES

The 4-H Summer Camp Brochures is here stop by the Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County today to pick yours up! The brochures are packed with exciting camp opportunities at three unique locations. Learn more at:

<http://4h.unl.edu/4hsummercamp>

National 4-H Conference

April 9-14, 2016 in Chevy Chase, Maryland

<http://www.4-h.org/4-h-conference/>

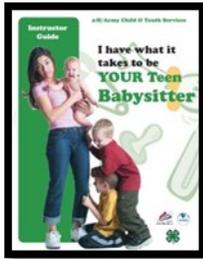
Nebraska 4-H youth who are interested in this trip opportunity are selected through an application and interview process. A 4-H member may only attend the event once. 4-H members who win but decline an award to attend the event are eligible to compete for the same incentive again. There is no guarantee they will be selected again.

REMINDER: *If you are a recipient of a Dodge County 4-H Foundation or 4-H Council Camp Scholarship you will need to send the completed camp registration form to the Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County. The Dodge County 4-H Council/Foundation will write a check for the AWARDED amount directly to the camp, and you will provide the additional funds that are necessary to fulfill the camp requirements. The Extension office will then forward your camp registration form to the appropriate camps.*

Camps & Contest

BABYSITTING BASICS

Youth ages 11 years and older will learn a skills to prepare them for babysitting. Class runs from Wednesday-Thursday, June 1-2, from 9 am – 3:00 pm at the Nebraska Extension – Dodge County office, 1206 W 23rd St, Fremont. Cost: \$40—includes lunch, snacks, training materials, and CPR/First Aid Training. RSVP by Wednesday, May 25



Entomology Workshop

Monday, June 20, 2016
9:00 am—12:00
Fremont State Lakes Building
\$10/member

Youth Will learn to catch, prepare and pin bugs for the Entomology Display Exhibit

Home Environment Workshop



Tuesday, June 21, 2016
9:00 am—12:30 pm
Dodge County Extension Office
\$20/Member

Youth will be creating three to four static projects they can take to the Dodge County Fair

Child Development Workshop

Wednesday, June 22, 2016
9:00am-12:30pm
Dodge County Extension Office
\$15/Member

Youth will design toys that meet the different needs of children.

Clover Kid Daycamp

Thursday, June 23, 2016
9:00 am—12:00 noon
Dodge County Extension Office
\$15/member



Youth will be creating three static projects that they can take to the Dodge County Fair

Raising Nebraska's Summer Programming

Raising Nebraska's Summer Programming consists of ten half-day programs for kids ages 8 and up, covering the science and technology of agriculture in Nebraska!

The 2016 series includes:

- June 7 - Engineering Today!
- June 7 - What Killed Bessie?
- June 13 - Burritos From Nebraska?
- June 16 - Cool Beans
- June 21 - Garden Sprouts "Yard to Table"
- June 24 - Agriculture Through a Toddler's Eyes
- June 27 - Discover More About You
- June 29 - Stars and Stripes
- July 6-8 - Bringing BioTech To Life Series
- July 12 - Mobile Video Production by You

Register Now!
Contact Raising Nebraska at 308.385.3967
or raisingnebraska.unl.edu

Learn More: <http://raisingnebraska.net/special-programming/2016-summer-programming/#stars-stripes>

PASE/LIFE CHALLENGE

Event: Sunday– Tuesday, June 19-21
Registration Due: Wednesday-June 1 into the Dodge County Extension office

Each summer, over 500 4-H'ers convene at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln East Campus to test their skills in Animal Science and Family and Consumer Sciences during PASE (Premier Animal Science Events) and Life Challenge. Teens compete in a variety of different contests including: livestock, meats and poultry judging, livestock skill-a-thon, livestock quiz bowl, life challenges and clover challenge. While on campus, young people have the opportunity to take part in faculty-led workshops, campus tours, and special sessions by UNL recruiters.

If you are interested in attending the 2016 PASE/ Life Challenge Event please contact the Nebraska Extension—Dodge County. Learn more at: <http://4h.unl.edu/pase life>

Dodge County Family
Livestock Judging Contest
June 9, 2016
Masonic Home, Fremont

FAIRS & FAIR BOOK CHANGES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LEARN MORE</u>
Wed-Sat Jul 6-9	Fremont 4-H Fair Fremont, NE Fair Guide: http://dodge.unl.edu/frfourhexhguide	
Wed-Sun Aug 3 -Aug 7	Dodge County Fair Scribner, NE Fair Guide: http://dodge.unl.edu/dcexhibitorguide Fair Website: http://dodgecountyfair.org/	
Fri-Mon Aug 26-Sep 5	Nebraska State Fair Grand Island, NE Fair Guide: http://4h.unl.edu/fairbook Fair Website: http://www.statefair.org/ Other Info: http://dodge.unl.edu/mainfairpage	
Sat-Sun Sep 17-18	AKSARBEN Horse Show Lancaster Events Center, Lincoln, NE	
Thu-Sun Sep 22-25	AKSARBEN Stock Exposition CenturyLink Center, Omaha, NE Fair Website: http://dodge.unl.edu/aksarben	

The 2016 Dodge County Fair book themed “We’ve got a good thing growing” is available, one copy per enrolled 4-H family. Books will be mailed—but until then you are welcome to pick one up if you’re in the office or to review online at: <http://dodge.unl.edu/dcexhibitorguide>.



2016 Fair Book Changes

Animal

Added

- British Breed- Registration Papers required.
- Dairy Steer class
- Junior Breeding Heifers - May be stalled with the market beef or can be brought to the grounds Saturday morning.
- Senior Bucket Calf 4-H age (13-18)
- Junior Bucket Calf 4-H age (8-12)
- Total Three Companion Animals
- Poultry Egg Classes
- Breeding Gilt Classes

Removed

- Special Pen of (Three) Commercial Broilers.

Consumer Management

Removed

- What Should I Wear?
- Teen Fashion Trend Photo Collage

Money FUN-Damentals

- Deleted

Photography

Removed

- Photo Journal
- Career Exhibit Print

Added

- Controlling the Image Showcase
- Composition Exhibit Print
- Nebraska Exhibit Print

Entrepreneurship

Removed

- Picture Story
- Coin Toss Map
- Service Business Poster
- E-Business Notebook

Sketchbook Crossroads

Removed

- Home accessory using quilt design from another culture
- Recycle: home accessory made with boxes or sculpted cardboard
- Home accessory carved from plaster of Paris

Heirloom Treasures/Family

Keepsakes

Removed

- Cleaned &/or Restored Heirloom Home Furnishings Textile

Agronomy

Removed

- Weed Display Book

Computer

Added

- 3D Printing

Design Decisions

Added

- Accessory 2D

Human Development

Added

- Social Emotional Development
- Language & Literacy Development
- Health & Physical Development
- Math
- Creative Arts

My Financial Future

Added

- Write 3 SMART Financial goals
- Income Inventory
- Tracking Expenses
- Money Personality Profile
- What does it really cost?
- My Work; My Future
- Interview
- The cost of not banking
- Evaluating Investment Alternatives
- Understanding Credit Scores
- You be the Teacher

Grow a Beautiful Space

Added

- Grow a Beautiful Space Portfolio Notebook
- Establish Landscape Analysis Poster
- Landscape Renovation Poster
- Estimating Dreams Poster
- Site Inventory & Analysis Poster
- Community Landscape Poster
- Renovate the Outdoors Portfolio 8

STATE FAIR & FREMONT FAIR

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR 4-H ANIMAL ENTRY PROCESS

4-H exhibitors will enter their animal exhibits online on their own and NOT through the Extension Office. Entries are due August 10, 2016.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS for ANIMALS

Per the Nebraska State Department of Agriculture, there are NO major changes from 2015 in health requirements for animals exhibited in the Nebraska State and Dodge County Fairs. However, status may change at any time. **REMINDER:** Bovine Virus Diarrhea (BVD) testing will be required for Dairy and Beef Cattle. Learn more at: <http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefairbook> ->Animal Science.

DNA SAMPLING FOR AK-SAR-BEN FEEDER CALVES

Deadline: June 15, 2016

The Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Livestock Exposition is requiring that all Feeder Calves have a DNA hair sample on file as well as being tagged with an official EID 4-H ear tag to be eligible to exhibit at the 2016 show. Samples must be pulled by June 15, 2016 and submitted in an Ak-Sar-Ben issued DNA collection envelope by the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County. The cost to exhibitors will be \$6 per head. The fee covers the expense of materials and handling.

DNA SAMPLING LIVESTOCK FOR NE STATE FAIR & AK-SAR-BEN

The Nebraska 4-H Program is unitizing DNA on all market animals, including market beef, market sheep, market swine and meat goats. This applies for animals nominated for State Fair and/or Ak-Sar-Ben. The Nebraska 4-H program will cooperate with Ak-Sar-Ben using DNA identification. For one cost of \$6 per sample, each animal will be qualified for State Fair and/or Ak-Sar-Ben. Ak-Sar-Ben will handle all samples in terms of sending out materials and receiving back envelopes and dollars, with no additional charge to Nebraska 4-H. Hair samples for DNA must be taken and sent in for animals to be eligible to be exhibited at State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben. Samples will be handled through the Nebraska Extension—Dodge County.

FREMONT 4-H FAIR

July 6-9, 2016

**Christensen Field, 16 & Ridgeroad Drive,
Fremont**

Sponsored by the Fremont 4-H Fair and Nebraska Extension, 4-H & FFA youth exhibit from the following counties: Burt, Butler, Colfax, Cuming, Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington.

The objectives of the Fremont 4-H Fair are to:

- Stimulate interest in 4-H club & FFA Chapter work and activities.
- Develop leadership, initiate and cooperative attitude amount youth, their parents, their 4-H leaders and their chapter advisors.
- Encourage 4-H and FFA members to appreciate and complete quality work.
- Make the 4-H Pledge a reality in life of each 4-H member.

The Fremont 4-H Fair gives youth opportunity to exhibit the results of their current year's project and an opportunity to compete in other contests. In addition, youth gain experiences that help them in competition at their county fairs, the State Fair and other major shows.

Pick up Fremont Fair entry forms from our office or online at: <http://dodge.unl.edu/frfourhexguide> (bottom of the screen)

These forms are due BEFORE Fremont Fair, in our office by 4:30 pm on Friday, June 24, 2016:

- 2016 Fashion Revue Entry Form
- 2016 Favorite Foods Day Form
- 2016 Shooting Sports Entry Form

These forms are due at the Fremont Fair check-in:

- Dairy Cattle Entry Tag
- Dairy Cattle Junior Herd Tag
- Vaccination form - Dog
- Vaccination form - Cat and Ferret
- Recipe Card

Due to low enrollment the following shows and contest will not be held at the Fremont 4-H Fair:

- Dairy Goats
- Pygmy Goats
- Companion Animals
- Fashion Revue

2016 Nebraska Theme Exhibit Print

The 2016 State Fair 4-H Photography Nebraska Theme Exhibit Print class is described below.

Both **Unit II and Unit III** will include this class.

Nebraska Exhibit Print: Help us celebrate the national "4-H Grows Here" campaign. Capture photos of people and places that illustrate 4-H growing and thriving in Nebraska! Your photos should tell a story about how "4-H Grows Here" in your local community. Please print and include the 4-H Grows Here! logo in your photos. The logo can be accessed at: <https://unl.box.com/s/krpte9q2f2yxkxcpyc6q6flx6ni6z7mo>.

LIVESTOCK

2016 4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT

It's that time of year again to start enrolling for the 2016 4-H year. The process is going to be the same as last year and you can find a step by step guide at

<http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dodge/enrollingin4h/>

NEW in 2016: 4-H leader enrollment will be completed using the online system and the deadline is **JUNE 15**.

Dodge County 4-H online enrollment must be completed (includes \$10 online payment) by **ENROLLMENT DEADLINE. June 15, 2016**

4-H members enrolling AFTER the stated deadline will be INELIGIBLE to exhibit in the 2016 fairs/shows.

- 4-H Horse Project Member (entering state and/or district 4-H horse shows) enrollments and fees are required by the **MAY 13 DEADLINE**.
- 4-H Horse Project Member (NOT entering state and/or district 4-H horse shows) enrollments and fees are required by the **JUNE 1 DEADLINE**.
- 4-H livestock member enrollments and fees are required the **JUNE 15 DEADLINE**.
- 4-H livestock and other project member enrollments and fees are required by the **JUNE 15 DEADLINE**.



4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION

CHANGE in 2016: There will be NO online system used to identify 4-H/FFA livestock.

4-H Horse Identification (Hard Copy) Sheets FOR 4-H Horse Project Members entering state & district horse shows - **MAY 13 DEADLINE** to the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County, Fremont.

4-H Horse Identification (Hard Copy) Sheets FOR 4-H Horse Project Members NOT entering state & district horse shows - **JUNE 1 DEADLINE** to the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County, Fremont.

All other 4-H/FFA livestock (except market beef-APRIL 15 DEADLINE) paperwork (DNA envelopes, Breeding Nomination Forms, county identification forms, and copies of registration sheets) - **JUNE 15 DEADLINE** to the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County, Fremont.

LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) CERTIFICATION

The Nebraska 4-H Program is REQUIRING 4-H and FFA members (8-18 years old) exhibiting beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, bucket calves, goats, poultry and rabbits to be certified in Quality Assurance. This program is mandated by the Nebraska 4-H program and will be implemented into the Dodge County 4-H Program. Therefore, youth exhibiting BEEF, SHEEP, SWINE, DAIRY CATTLE, BUCKET CALVES, GOATS, POULTRY and/or RABBITS at the Dodge County Fair, Fremont 4-H Fair, Nebraska State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show are required to be QA certified by JUNE 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR to be eligible to exhibit.

A \$5 per member/student fee will be charged prior to taking the online certification. Fees will help cover cost of the QA online management. *(The VIDEO - <http://goo.gl/13p0lu> - gives a step-by-step instruction on how to make payment and get into the system.)*

The requirements for certification may be completed by an annual web-based learning as well as continued training and test taking. More details and information will be sent later in the spring. Information from 2015 is located at: <http://goo.gl/SeprpK> & <http://goo.gl/GUfMhA>

2016 DISTRICT & STATE HORSE SHOW DATES

District Horse Show Level Testing Deadline: Friday, May 6

State Horse Show Entry Deadline: Friday, May 13

Districts—Dodge County Assignment: Thursday, June 16

State Show: Monday-Thursday, July 10-14, 2016

Dates and locations for the 2016 District and State Horse Shows include:

- June 13 - Kearney
- June 14 - Chadron
- June 15 - McCook
- **June 16 - Leigh****
- June 17 - Bloomfields
- June 21 - Lincoln
- **July 10 - 14; State 4-H Horse Show, Fonner Park, Grand Island, NE**

**** This is Dodge County's assignment.**

Learn more at:

<http://animalscience.unl.edu/horse-4-h-and-youth#tab5>

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR 4-H ANIMAL ENTRY PROCESS

Deadline: August 10, 2016

4-H exhibitors will enter their animal exhibits online on their own and NOT through the Extension Office.

CONSIDER NEBRASKA!

ACADEMICS & SUPPORT

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is a leader in academic excellence, offering world-class opportunities to extend your interests with 150 majors and 285 programs of study. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/discover/academics.aspx>

CAMPUS LIFE

You'd be hard-pressed to find a major university with a stronger sense of community, a more feverish school spirit, or deeper commitment to involvement than Nebraska, where you can choose from 400 student organizations. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/why-unl.aspx#weird>

COST & AID

Consumers Digest and Kiplinger.com rated NEBRASKA as a "Best Value in Public Colleges" for our academic excellence and residential experience at a low cost. Learn more at: <http://admissions.unl.edu/cost.aspx>

DIVERSITY

Nebraska is committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse student body. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/student-life/diversity-community.aspx>

LINCOLN LIFE

With 250,000 people, Lincoln has the same movies, stores, shows, restaurants, and coffee shops that you'd find in other major cities. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/why-unl.aspx#instagrid>

UNL: ON-CAMPUS VISITS

Visiting campus is the best way to experience Nebraska. When you see it firsthand you begin to understand the rich tradition and contagious school spirit on campus. Each event offers the opportunity to learn about academics, scholarships and financial aid, living and dining options, how to get involved, Greek Life and career connections for your future. You will also have the chance to visit with current students and have your questions answered. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln offers a variety of unique campus visit options all year.

Dear High School Senior,

The Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County staff has enjoyed working with you during your 4-H career. Even after high school, if there is any way we can help you; don't hesitate to call our office. Did you know that the Nebraska Extension Office is a part of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln system? So in a sense, you have already taken a "class" from UNL by participating in 4-H! Whether or not you have made your college decision, we are reminding you that there are many tremendous opportunities at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

For Important College Application Reminders for UNL, go to: <http://admissions.unl.edu/> .

Sincerely,

Dodge County Extension Staff

Learn more here!

UNL.edu

EXTENSION.unl.edu

UNL AS A CHOICE FOR COLLEGE

If you or someone you know have plans to continue your formal education at a college or university, then put the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at the top of the list. Just go to the website

<http://admissions.unl.edu/>

Explore options that meet your demands and get to know costs, scholarships, careers and student life on both East and City Campus. Remember that 4-H is your first class at the University of Nebraska. Really, 4-H, Extension and UNL all fit together. For more information, call toll-free **800-742-8800** and ask for "admissions". Get an appointment to tour the campus of your choice. That's the best way to know UNL.

CALENDAR

Husker Weekdays - By appointment

<http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/huskerweekdays.aspx>

The Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County staff would love to help set-up a visit and/or accompany students and their parents to visit UNL. For more information about the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR), contact our office at **402-727-2775** or go to:

<http://casnr.unl.edu/home>.

For a partial listing of career or recent graduated academic majors, go to:

<http://casnr.unl.edu/academic-programs>

UNL CASNR Scholarship

If you are a high school student that will be attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and have scored a 26 or higher on the ACT, you automatically qualify for a \$1,000 UNL CASNR Scholarship. As a student, you will need to be enrolled in CASNR to receive the scholarship. To view programs available, visit

<http://casnr.unl.edu/paying-college>



4-H Calendar



- May 13.....4-H Horse District/State Exhibitor Paperwork DEADLINE
- May 14.....Science Saturday—Raising Nebraska Building—Grand Island
- May 21.....Deuel County Progress Show, Deuel County Fairgrounds Chappell
- May 30.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Memorial Day**
- June 1.....4-H Horse Non-District/State Exhibitor Paperwork DEADLINE
- June 1-2.....Babysitting Basics-Dodge County Extension Office
- June 3.....Mystery Foods Event—Raising Nebraska Building—Grand Island
- June 5.....Prepare for the Fair Workshop, QC Supply—Schuyler
- June 9.....Dodge Co 4-H Family Livestock Judging Contest Masonic Home, Fremont
- June 5-10.....Big Red Summer Academic Campus, UNL, Lincoln
- June 13.....Registration Due for Summer 2016 Workshops - Dodge County Extension office.
- June 15.....4-H Enrollment DEADLINE including Livestock ID Sheets & QA, Extension Office
- June 16.....District Horse Show, Leigh NE
- June 19-21.....P.A.S.E. Life Challenge Contest, UNL, Lincoln, NE
- June 20.....Entomology Workshop –Fremont State Lakes Building
- June 21.....Home Environment Workshop—Dodge County Extension Office
- June 22.....Child Development Workshop—Dodge County Extension Office
- June 23.....Dodge Co 4-H Clover Kids Camp - Nebraska Extension Office, Fremont
- June 25.....Pre-Entry forms due for the Fremont Fair - Dodge County Extension Office
- June 27-28.....4-H Cooking Camp - Dodge Municipal Building, 226 Elm St. Dodge
- July 4.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Independence Day**
- July 6 - 9Fremont 4-H Fair, Christensen Field, Fremont
- July 10 - 14.....Nebraska State 4-H Horse Exposition, Fonner Park, Grand Island, NE
- July 15Pre-Entry forms due for Dodge County Fair—Dodge County Extension Office
- August 3 - 7.....Dodge County Fair, Dodge County Fairgrounds, Scribner
- August 26 - September 5.....2016 Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island, NE
- September 2.....Deadline for 67th Annual Norfolk Beef Expo (Sunday, September 11)
- September 5.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Labor Day**
- September 17 - 18.....2016 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Stock Show, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln, NE
- September 22 - 25.....2016 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Livestock Show, CenturyLink Center, Omaha, NE
- October 10.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Columbus Day**
- November 1.....Career Portfolio due into Nebraska Extension office in Dodge County by 4:30pm
- November 6.....Achievement Celebration, Masonic Home, Fremont
- November 11.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Veterans’ Day**
- November 24-25.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Thanksgiving Day**
- December 26.....Dodge County Extension Office Closed - Christmas Holiday (Observed)**

Dodge County's "Plant a Wagon" Project

Dodge County Fair 2016 Theme
"We've Got a Good Thing Growing"



You are invited to participate in the "Plant a Wagon" project at the Dodge County Fairgrounds. Show your love for flowers, plants and the fair!



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- Step 1:** Select any type and size of wagon.
 - Step 2:** Fill your wagon with your choice of plants.
 - Step 3:** By July 1 contact the Dodge County Extension Office to reserve a spot for your wagon at the Dodge County Fair. 402-727-2775 or email: ipoppe2@unl.edu



- Step 4:** Bring your wagon to the Dodge County Fairgrounds in Scribner, Nebraska on August 3. Your wagon will be on display with your name, club name or business name during the fair, August 4-7, 2016.



- Step 5:** You may pick up your wagon after 8:00 pm on Sunday, August 7 or during the day on Monday, August 8.



Sponsored by: The Dodge County Fair and the Dodge County 4-H Program




This project is for enhancement purposes of the fairgrounds and there will be no prizes awarded. You are solely responsible for your display and the Fair board and 4-H program is not liable for any damages.





1206 W 23rd Street | Fremont, NE 68025 | 402.727.2775 | <http://dodge.unl.edu>



4-H Cooking Camp

Promoting healthy habits

WHO: Any youth ages 5-18 years
4-H Youth Member not required

WHAT: 10-hours of hands-on, interactive activities for healthy eating & active living

WHEN: Monday & Tuesday, June 27 & 28
from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

PARENT EVENT: Family members invited Monday 9:30 – 10:30am & Tuesday 2:30 – 3:30pm
Incentive cooking bags will be sent home with parents.

WHERE: Dodge Municipal Building
226 Elm Street, Dodge

COST: Free – all supplies furnished

RSVP: By **Monday, June 20, 2016** to 402.727.2775 OR dodgecountyfoodsmartfamilies@gmail.com
Class open to first 50 kids registered

***If you have any questions, please email or call the 4-H Office.**

- 4-H PROJECT IDEAS**
- Under Healthy Living
- General Dept E Div 350 Class 3 Physical Activity & Health Poster
 - Fast Foods Level 1 B Class 5 Food Recipe File / 10 recipes

2016 4-H COOKING CAMP

Registration Form - Can scan and email or send via mail.

Return to: Nebraska Extension: Dodge County
1206 W 23rd St, Fremont, NE 68025

Name _____ 4-H Age _____ Club _____

Address _____ Town _____ Zip _____

Phone #'s _____ Email _____



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2016 Summer Workshops



Registration Form - Can be scanned, emailed or mailed.

Return to:

Fax: 402.727.2777

Email: amaassen2@unl.edu

Address: Nebraska Extension in Dodge County
1206 W. 23rd St. Fremont, NE 68025

Baby Sitting Basics

Wednesday-Thursday, June 1-2, 2016

9:00am - 3:00pm

Dodge County Extension Office

\$40/youth

Youth ages 11 years and older will learn skills to prepare them for babysitting.

Deadline: May 25, 2016

Entomology

Monday, June 20, 2016

9:00 am—12:00

Fremont State Lakes Building

\$10/member

Youth will learn to catch, prepare and pin bugs for the Entomology Display Exhibit

Deadline: June 13, 2016

Home Environment

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

9:00 am—12:30 pm

Dodge County Extension Office

\$20/Member

Youth will be creating three to four static projects they can take to the Dodge County Fair

Deadline: June 13, 2016

Child Development

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

9:00am-12:30pm

Dodge County Extension Office

\$15/Member

Youth will design toys that meet the different needs of children.

Deadline: June 13, 2016

Clover Kid Daycamp

Thursday, June 23, 2016

9:00 am—12:00 noon

Dodge County Extension Office

\$15/member

Youth will be creating three static projects that they can take to the Dodge County Fair.

Deadline: June 13, 2016

4-H Cooking Camp

Monday-Tuesday, June 27-28

9:30 am - 3:30pm

Dodge Municipal Building

Dodge, NE

Cost: Free

Promoting Healthy habits. Incentive cooking bags will be sent home with Parents.

Deadline: June 20, 2016

\$40 Baby Sitting Basics (Ages: 11-18)

\$15 Child Development (Ages: 8-18)

\$10 Entomology (Ages: 8-18)

\$15 Clover Kid Day Camp (Ages: 5-7)

\$20 Home Environment (Ages: 8-18)

\$Free Cooking Camp (Ages: 5-18)

Name _____ 4-H AGE _____ CLUB _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____ ZIP _____

PHONE # _____ EMAIL _____

Total Enclosed: _____ Payable to : University of Nebraska-Lincoln