The Pathfinder afterschool program in Bayard was launched in 2015 with financial and program support from Nebraska Extension. Kristin, a 4-H alumni and coordinator of the afterschool program, appreciates Extension’s support in grant applications; lesson development and teaching; and participation in family and community engagement. Kristin says, “It has been so awesome because they (students) get to experience and learn things that I don’t have the expertise to teach them. They’re coming back and telling me that they’re using what we did in after-school and are doing it at home!”

Nebraska Extension helps provide engaging learning opportunities to expand on youth interests while providing a safe place for students to go afterschool.

**Programs At-A-Glance**
- Virtual & in-person afterschool programs in 2020 have provided 85 K-5th grade youth in both counties hands-on learning experiences in gardening, cultural awareness, & food safety.
- Garden County kindergarten and 5th grade youth hatched 13 chicks while learning about embryo development.

**THIRTEEN**
local youth virtually learned babysitting and entrepreneurship skills.

**214**
youth were enrolled in 4-H.

Extension partnered to revitalize the Garden County Chamber of Commerce.

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