

Webster County

2020 Impact At-A-Glance



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Webster County producers have participated in On-Farm Research for 3 consecutive years in areas of irrigation track rut depth, soil health, and cover crop grazing.

Riley Skrdlant has been farming and raising cattle alongside his dad since he was old enough to help. Grazing fall forage cover-crops has been a practice on Skrdlant Farm's for years but with so many different techniques available, Riley sought to find his own answers. Skrdlant Farm's signed on to participate in an On-Farm Research study with Extension to evaluate grazing efficiency of fall forage cover crops to maximize weight gain on his calves and optimize economic return. Through this study, Skrdlant Farm's was able to improve their bottom line compared to dry-lot feeding calves and other previous cover-crop grazing methods.

Programs At-A-Glance

- 4-H After School programs taught topics in Engineering, STEM, and Animal Science at 3 schools reaching 46 children. Students worked with extension to create and problem solve.
- 24 hours of Step-Up Quality Coaching was provided to the director of The Valley Child Development Center and provided an estimated \$1,800 of in-kind savings.

56 hours of professional development were taught to 6 childcare providers.

47 individuals were certified in the Pesticide Education Training Program.

88% of Beef Quality Assurance participants plan to improve their herd management practices.