

COLFAX COUNTY 4-H SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS 2023—2024



NEBRASKA EXTENSION-COLFAX COUNTY





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The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska - Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture .

Please refer to the previous page to register, or you may also register online by using the QR Code. Programs are scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

Thank you! Stephanie & KateLynn



For further information on any of these programs, or for assistance with any other programming needs, please contact:

Nebraska Extension in Colfax County

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466 Road 10

Schuyler, NE 68661-0389

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What is 4-H School Enrichment?

Cooperation between schools and Nebraska Extension has existed for many years in Colfax County, complementing the educational goals of both organizations. The 4-H School Enrichment Program uses materials that are research-based and produced by specialists from the University of Nebraska—Lincoln, the National 4-H Council and various universities and organizations throughout the United States.

4-H School Enrichment resources include teacher guides, student manuals, multi-media tools, teaching kits, and staff presentations. The Nebraska Extension in Colfax County staff can teach the project to the students in the classroom or provide materials for the teacher to use.

As 4-H participants, your students will also have the opportunity to take part in 4-H activities outside the classroom. Camps, special events, and the Colfax County Fair are a few additional activities students may participate in.

The cost to participate in 4-H school enrichment is minimal to no cost. If you are interested, please fill out the attached registration form and return to Nebraska Extension in Colfax County Office as soon as possible. Programs are scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

Thank you!

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Special Event

Real World—Money -

Suggested grade levels: **7th or 8th grade**

One Full Day (3-5 hours)



This is an interactive financial management program, designed to help students become better prepared to make financial decisions as young adults. This program is held in the spring of each year. For more information please call the Nebraska Extension in Colfax County Office at (402) 352-3821.

Colfax County School Enrichment Request Form

Please complete the following form and return it to the Nebraska Extension in Colfax County Office as soon as possible. Programs may be requested anytime throughout the year, however, we do request a two week advance notice if at all possible. This is to ensure that the programs are available during your requested time. Please indicate approximate date you will need the program.

Teacher's Name: _____ Grade: _____

School: _____ #Students: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Best Method of Contact: Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please list any special needs or food Allergies:

**I am interested in the following
School enrichment program(s) for my class:**

Real World Money

Return form or call us to schedule:

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| <input type="radio"/> Lifecycle of A Ladybug (Spring) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Where Does My Food Come From? | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Lifecycle of A Butterfly (Spring) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Sprouting Success (Spring) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Hand Washing | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> The Pumpkin Life Cycle (October) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Positively Popcorn (Fall) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Embryology (Spring) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Ozobot Robotics | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> LEGO Robotics (Fall) | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Junk Drawer Robotics | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Engineering is Elementary | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Purple Ribbon Kids | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Money Makes Cents | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> DNA Detectives | Date Requested: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Leadership Summit | Date Requested: _____ |

Return to Nebraska Extension in Colfax County
P.O. Box 389, 466 Road 10
Schuyler, Ne 68661

Online Registration: <https://go.unl.edu/school-enrichment-registration>

Leadership Summit -

Suggested Grade Levels: **5th through 8th grades**

Five, 45 minute sessions

At a critical time when early middle school students choose to take the wrong "trail" in life, help prepare them to be tomorrow's leaders and role models through Leadership Summit! Middle school youth will see the world from a new perspective and learn to be more effective leaders as well as team members after participating in this program. Leadership discovery and personality trait assessment sessions followed by engaging interactive leadership development activities will build knowledge of interpersonal and teamwork skills.

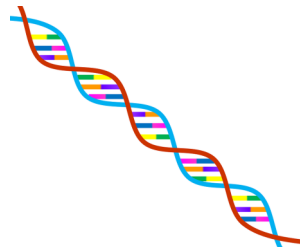


DNA Detectives -

Suggested grade levels: **5th through 8th grades**

Four, 45 minute sessions (each topic)

Youth will get to be detectives as we learn about the DNA that makes each of us who we are! As we learn about DNA molecules, youth will get to build an edible model of their own DNA! During our other visits, we will extract DNA from a strawberry, and analyze our own fingerprints.



Life Cycle of A Ladybug -

Suggested grade level: **Kindergarten**

Four, 40 minute sessions (Spring Semester)

Life Cycle of a ladybug gives students the chance to witness the life cycle of ladybugs as they watch them mature from larvae to adult ladybugs. This project requires three weeks to complete and should be done in mid-late April—May for best results. Students will have the opportunity to re-lease their ladybugs during their last session!

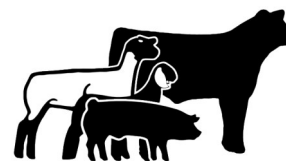


Where Does My Food Come From? -

Suggested grade levels: **Kindergarten, 1st grade**

Four, 45 minute sessions

Students will gain an understanding of what agriculture commodities create the food they eat everyday. As our society continues to be generations removed from the farm, having this level of understanding is becoming increasingly important. As a result of this program, youth will understand how their favorite foods end up on their plate or in their lunch box, and gain an overall understanding of where their food comes from!



Life Cycle of a Butterfly -

Suggested grade level: **1st grade**

Four, 40 minute sessions (Spring Semester)

Lifecycle of a Butterfly gives students the chance to observe the butterflies transform from caterpillars to chrysalides to butterflies with their own butterfly observation habitat. This project requires three weeks to complete and should be done in mid-late April-May for best results. Students will have the opportunity to release their butterflies during their last session!



Sprouting Success -

Suggested grade level: **2nd grade**

Two, 45 minute sessions, four days apart
(Spring Semester)

Students will gain an understanding about what plants need to grow by watching edible sprouts grow over the course of five days and watching the physical changes each day. At the end of the week, students will have the opportunity to taste-test their sprouts. Time is required daily for students to rinse their sprouts and have observation / recording time.



Engineering is Elementary -

Suggested grade levels: **1st through 5th grades**

Three, 45 minute sessions

Youth will be challenged to create and problem solve exciting engineering topics. Youth will put to work their engineering skills to try possible solutions to the presented problem. Youth will have the chance to discover their passion for engineering and build their confidence in this area.

Topics for the 2023-2024 school year are:



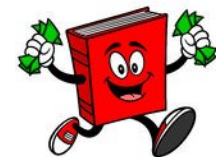
- Pollinators (3 lessons)

Money Makes Cents -

Suggested grade levels: **2nd through 4th grades**

Five, 45 minute sessions

Money Makes Cents will help youth gain a better understanding of money and money fundamentals! Youth will have the opportunity to learn about different topics about money. Topics include: history of money, managing money, earning money, spending, and saving money.

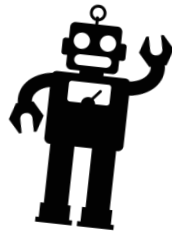


LEGO Robotics -

Suggested grade level: **4th through 8th grades**

Six, 45 minute sessions (Fall Semester)

Hands-on activities using LEGO EV3 Robotics kits and software youth will learn how to design and build a robot using LEGO EV3 Robotics kits. The LEGO Mindstorms software enables students to learn simple programming with computers. This program teaches problem solving, critical thinking, decision making, teamwork, command actions, and technical skills.



Hand Washing -

Suggested grade levels: **Kindergarten through 2nd grades**

One, 30 - 45 minute session

Think those hands are clean? It's what you can't see that can spread infection! Students will learn the benefits of hand washing, when hands should be washed, and the best way to get hands clean.



During this visit youth will have an opportunity to actually see how well they have washed their hands using Glo-germ which fluoresces brightly under an ultraviolet light.

Junk Drawer Robotics -

Suggested grade levels: **4th through 8th grades**

Three, 45 minute sessions

Watch as your students utilize the engineering design process to test force, distance, balance, and understand the function of robotic movement. Youth will be given everyday materials such as: rubber bands, paper clips, tongue depressors, and more to put these concepts to the test!

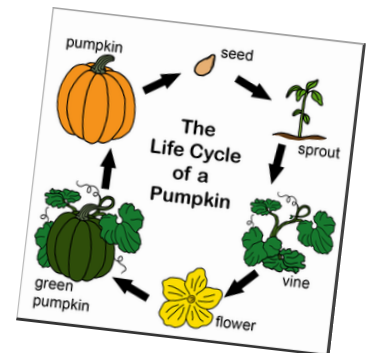


The Pumpkin Life Cycle -

Suggested grade level: **1st and 2nd grades**

Three, 45 minute sessions (October Only)

Students will learn the concept of a life cycle, and understand its importance to agriculture, by recreating the various stages of growth and development of a pumpkin through hands on activities.



Purple Ribbon Kids -

Suggested grade levels: 2nd through 4th grades

Four, 45 minute sessions

Purple Ribbon Kids is an elementary leadership program that leads youth through an exploration of traits effective leaders possess. Through team-building, self-discovery, and reflective activities, youth will demonstrate, and be able to explain the importance of belonging, inclusion, generosity, and mastery.



Positively Popcorn -

Suggested grade level: 3rd grade through 4th grades

Three, 45 minute sessions (Fall Semester)

Did you know that Nebraska is the number one producer of popcorn? In this lesson students will use science to learn the importance of agriculture in Nebraska and how popcorn goes from a seed to a snack!



Embryology -

Suggested grade levels: 2nd through 4th grades

Three, 45 minute sessions (Spring Semester)

This spring project gives youth a chance to witness the miracle of life in the classroom. It involves the actual hatching of approximately one dozen eggs and requires 21 days to complete. Extension staff will get you set up and ready to go, then classrooms must tend to the eggs on a daily basis and monitor the incubators regularly to ensure a hatch.

Candling the eggs is an exciting part of this project done by Extension Staff. Students will get to see how the chicks develop in the eggs during the incubation period.



Ozobot Robotics -

Suggested grade levels: 3rd and 4th grades

Three, 45 minute sessions

The pocket-sized Ozobot Robot can follow a line and be programmed with just markers and paper! Students will explore the engineering design model by brainstorming with a small group an unique obstacle course, building their program, testing their obstacle course, and sharing their successes and failures.

