

# Dodge County 4-H Blast

! DEADLINE EDITION - June 14, 2024 !

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! Visit the office before 4:30pm today to ensure that you have met the June 15 deadline requirements to show at Dodge County Fair and Nebraska State Fair. Details are below. !

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## 4-H Calendar

\*LOCAL (DODGE COUNTY) EVENTS IN BOLD

! DEADLINE DAY - JUNE 15!!!!!! !

! **June 15 - ANIMAL ID Deadline, State Fair Animal Nomination & DNA Deadline, 4-H Enrollment Deadline, YQCA Deadline** !

- **! June 15 is a Saturday, the Office will be closed - Email forms, place them in the drop box outside, or stop by the office before 4:30pm) !**

June 16-20 - [State 4-H Camp](#) @ Cozad (Age 10-14)

**June 19 - [Rocketry & Electric Excitement Workshop](#), 9-12pm @ Dodge County Extension Office**

June 17-18 - [Premier Communication Event](#) @ UNL East Campus

- [Impromptu Speech](#) & [Video Communication](#)

June 20-21 - [PASE](#) @ UNL East Campus

**June 25 - [Photography Workshop](#), 9-12pm @ Fremont State Lakes**

**June 27 - [Tornado Kit Workshop w/ NWS Presentation](#), 9-12pm @ Dodge County Extension Office**

July 1-3 - [State 4-H Camp](#) @ Cozad (Age 8-10)

**July 2 - [Horticulture Workshop](#), 9-12pm @ Dodge County Extension Office**

**July 10-13 - [Fremont 4-H Expo](#) @ Christensen Field, Fremont**

July 13-17 - [Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Expo](#) @ Grand Island

★**July 15 - [Dodge County Fair Pre-entry Deadline for Animals & Contests](#) - OPEN NOW! ★**

**July 17 - County Fair Cleanup Night, 5pm @ Dodge County Fairgrounds**

**July 18 - Dodge County Fair [Fashion Revue](#) & Static Exhibit Pre-entry Deadline @ [dodge.fairwire.com](http://dodge.fairwire.com)**

July 17-19 - [State 4-H Camp](#) @ Burwell (Age 8-10)

July 20-24 - [State 4-H Camp](#) @ Burwell (Age 10-14)

**July 24 - Dodge County Fair Horse Show**

- 7:30am Check-in - 9am Show @ Christensen Field, Fremont

**July 27-28 - Dodge County Fair Shooting Sports Contest**

- July 27 - Shotgun Contest @ Valley Trap Range
- July 28 - BB Gun & Air Rifle Shooting Sports Contest @ Dodge Auditorium

**July 29 - Fashion Revue Judging**

**July 31-August 4 - Dodge County Fair, Theme "Barn in the USA"**

August 23-September 2 - [Nebraska State Fair](#)

[4-H Calendar and More Information](#)

## Summer 4-H Workshop Details & Registration Form

### Pick Up Your Fairbook in the Office Today!

**4honline Enrollment - DUE June 15!**

**! Enrollment is due by June 15! Visit [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com). !**

Returning families - do not create a new account - use your log-in from previous years. **Instructions for returning families are at [this link](#). Enrollment instructions for new families can be [found here](#).** 4-H enrollment fee is \$10.00 per youth member and can be paid by credit card online, or by cash or check in our office.

New volunteers can find [instructions here](#), and returning volunteers can [follow this guide](#).

**June 15 is a Saturday, the Office will be closed.**

For help with enrollment call 402-727-2775 M-F from 8:30am-4:30pm.

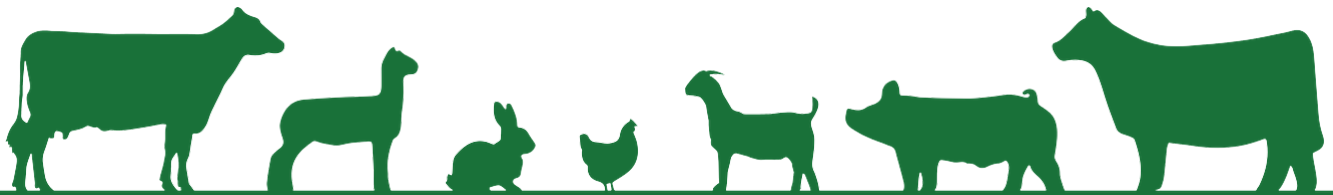
## Animal ID Deadline - June 15

! [Animal ID Sheets](#) are due by June 15 to make any animal eligible for Fremont 4-H Expo, Dodge County Fair, or Nebraska State Fair. !

! **June 15 is a Saturday, the Office will be closed - Email forms, place them in the drop box or stop by the office M-F 8:30am-4:30pm).**!

Animals requiring ID include:

- Horse - ! Advancement Levels are due by June 15! !
- Beef - Including Bucket & Feeder Calf, Market & Breeding, Cow/Calf Pairs, County Bred & Fed
- Dairy - Including Cattle & Goat
- Sheep - Including Market & Breeding
- Goat - Including Market/Meat & Breeding, Dairy
- Rabbit
- Swine - Including Market & Breeding



## YQCA - Required for all Livestock Exhibitors by June 15

! Visit [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org) to log in or register - the cost is \$12 paid online. Submit YQCA certificates to the office in person or by email by June 15 to qualify exhibitors to show at Fremont 4-H Expo, Dodge County Fair, or Nebraska State Fair! !

YQCA is an annual education and certification program focused on food safety, animal well-being and character awareness required for youth ages 8 to 21 who produce and/or show **pigs, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits, and poultry.**

## State Fair Livestock ID & Nomination Deadline - June 15

! Any members planning to exhibit livestock at the Nebraska State Fair must complete the appropriate livestock identification and [nomination](#) requirements **by midnight, June 15**. This process makes an individual animal eligible for entry at the State Fair. Learn more at [4h.unl.edu/livestock-id](http://4h.unl.edu/livestock-id).

DNA Envelopes are available at the Dodge County Extension Office for free. Nominations must be made online and paid for **by midnight, June 15**.

[Guide to Show Stock Manager Nominations](#) !

## Nebraska 4-H Livestock Achievement Program

! [Livestock Achievement Program | Nebraska 4-H \(unl.edu\)](#) !

**Applications/Sign up are due June 15th [online](#).** Plan and Reports, as well as Project Records will be due August 1st by submitting as attachments to an email sent to [4hlivestockachievement@unl.edu](mailto:4hlivestockachievement@unl.edu).



Youth completing the achievement program and receiving member of excellence recognition in the various species will be recognized during the Parade of Champions, 4-H weekend at the Nebraska State Fair.

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## **Dodge County Fair Pre-Entry is OPEN**

Visit [dodge.fairwire.com](http://dodge.fairwire.com) to make required Pre-Entries for All ANIMALS and Shooting Sports, ATV, and Culinary Challenge Contests.

**Horse, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Dairy, Bucket Calf, Rabbit, Poultry, Dog, and Companion Animal entries are required to be made by July 15.**

Static Exhibit Entry is optional online - complete by July 18 for the Extension Office to print your static entry tags. Entry tags will be available in the Extension Office and at check in during the fair.

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## **Great Plains Livestock Judging Circuit**

The Great Plains Livestock Judging Circuit is a lineup of contests held throughout the state giving youth the opportunity to perfect their skills in preparation for the [Nebraska 4-H Premier Animal Science Event \(PASE\)](#). Qualifying youth must attend a minimum of two contests in addition to the [PASE livestock judging contest](#) in order to be eligible for awards and scholarships. The top 5 individuals in the Senior and Intermediate divisions will be recognized as part of the All-State Team during the Grand Drive at the [Nebraska State Fair](#).



Find out more here: <https://4h.unl.edu/great-plains-livestock-judging-circuit>

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## **Fremont 4-H Expo**

The Fremont 4-H Expo is July 10-13. This event is a great 'practice fair' for anyone wanting some feedback from judges before the County and State Fairs. There are animal shows, contests, and static exhibits.

Check out more information here: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dodge/frfourhexhgide/>



## Dodge County 4-H Archery

DC Shooting Stars has started offering Archery as a discipline in Shooting Sports! Initial sessions will be in the basement of the City of Dodge's Auditorium. Sessions will be on Thursday nights at 7pm. Note: There is a scheduling conflict June 20th for youth Duck Calling Classes provided by the Grand Passage Sportsmen in

North Bend, **there will be no Archery practice on June 20.** If you have schedule conflicts please reach out to Andy Beckman, his contact is below.

We will have initial beginner sessions to introduce kids to Archery. This will cover how to use the equipment, safety rules, range etiquette, etc. Participants are welcome to bring their own archery equipment, we will have equipment available for use if you don't have your own equipment. Participants need to follow the 4-H Shooting Sports age requirements to participate and be members of the D.C. Shooting Stars 4-H Shooting Sports club. Select Archery as a project in 4honline!

If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please reach out to Andy Beckman or the Dodge Co. Extension Office.

Andy Beckman, cell: 402-843-6336, email: [circlexhunter@hotmail.com](mailto:circlexhunter@hotmail.com)



*Summer* 2024  
**CAMP**  
*The power of  
being  green*

**CHADRON**  
JUNE 1-5

8-14 YEARS

**COZAD**  
JUNE 16-20  
JULY 1-3

10-14 YEARS  
8-10 YEARS

**BURWELL**  
JULY 17-19  
JULY 20-24

8-10 YEARS  
10-14 YEARS



REGISTER TODAY  
[4H.UNL.EDU/CAMPS-REGISTER](http://4H.UNL.EDU/CAMPS-REGISTER)



# The Power of Being 🌱 Green - NE 4-H Summer Camp

Register today for the Nebraska State 4-H Camp!

The summer 2024 theme is **The Power of Being 🌱 Green**. Youth will get to explore and interact with their natural world in five different sessions, exploring how they can use their head, heart, hands, and health to make our natural world a better place for all.

Dates, session summaries, and registration information can be found at <https://4h.unl.edu/camps-register>.

A limited number of scholarships are available, and we encourage families to apply. The application can be completed at [go.unl.edu/campscholarship](https://go.unl.edu/campscholarship).



## 2024 Dodge County 4-H Ambassadors

**Alexa Brodd - Klayton Hilbers**

These Ambassadors will advocate for Dodge County 4-H at local events and help mentor younger 4-H members, acting as role model in 4-H. Ambassadors develop their communication skills while promoting 4-H!

## 2024 Dodge County 4-H Council

Youth Representatives:

Samantha Cummings - Alexa Brodd - Gracie Reynolds - Brooke Wiese - Chase Hartman

Adult Representatives:

Michelle Ryun (District 1: Dodge/Scribner/Snyder) - Josh Gregory (District 2: Logan View) - Amy Hartman (District 3: Fremont) - Andy Swanson (District 4: North Bend) - Nicki Gregory - Heather Ruwe - Mary Jo Reynolds - Marvin Wiese - Michelle Cummings - Angie Meiergerd

**The 4-H Council is the governing body of the 4-H program, helping to direct decisions in the program that effect all members and volunteers. Some adult members serve specific parts of the county. Other adults, plus all youth members, serve the county program at large. If you have issues, concerns, suggestions, or ideas, share them with a council member.**

## Dodge County 4-H Website



### Nebraska Extension in Dodge County

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