September/October 2016

REMINDER:
STATE FAIR 4-H EXHIBITORS
Your 4-H ribbons and static exhibits—except perishable food and horticulture items—can be picked up on:

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
at the UNL Dodge County Extension Office in Fremont.

Hours available for pick-up are:
8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. &
12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Any efforts made to pick-up your exhibits as soon as possible is greatly appreciated.

4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO JUDGES NEEDED

VOLUNTEER DEADLINE: Monday, October 31, 2016
JUDGING: Wednesday, November 2, 2016

If you or someone you know is interested in serving as a judge, please contact the Nebraska Extension office in Dodge County 402.727.2775. Judging will begin at 6:00 p.m. Supper will be provided for all volunteer judges.

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TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY FALL PAPER CLOVER
Support 4-H with a Clover Pledge
Wednesday, October 5 thru Sunday, October 16, 2016
Don’t miss it! The Fall Tractor Supply Co. Paper Clover promotion is right around the corner. Be sure to get into the Fremont store and make your Clover Pledge with all proceeds going to support the 4-H Program. Encourage your friends, family and neighbors to make a pledge.
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!

DODGE COUNTY 2017 4-H COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

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Dodge & Scribner-Snyder School District (Two-Year Term)
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Logan View School Districts (Two-Year Term)
Michele Larsen

Fremont School District (Two-Year Term)
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North Bend School District (Two-Year Term)
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Jay Schroeder
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Liesa Miller*
Shae Moeller
Kyrsten Mottl
Kaylee Ness
Hunter Purcell
Rachel Purcell
Anna Ready
Jay Schroeder
Kelly Witte

Thank You!

The Dodge County Extension Staff and 4-H Council would like to thank everyone for a great County Fair! County Fair and 4-H is not possible without all of our 4-H'ers, their families and our volunteers! Thank you to everyone who came and worked so hard to keep things running smoothly. We are so proud of all of the hard work our 4-H'ers put into the making their projects and working with their livestock! Until next County Fair!
# THANK YOU
Dodge County 4-H Council Awards Committee THANKS the following donors!
Their contributions helped cover costs of the awards given to the 2016 Dodge County Fair youth exhibitors.

## GRAND CHAMPION Donors
($250 or more)

- Farm Credit Services of America
- First National Bank Fremont
- Douglas & Sheri Kriete Family
- Red Barn Veterinary Clinic
- Titan Machinery
- Webster Well, Inc.

## GOLD MEDAL Donors
($150 - $249)

- Barry & Jennifer Benson Family
- Butler Ag Equipment
- Cargill-Community Enrichment
- Fremont Health
- Joshua & Nicole Gregory Family
- Hornel Foods Corporation
- J & S Feedlot
- Logan Creek Leaders
- NP Cattle Company
- Luke & Renee Schmid
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## SILVER MEDAL Donors
($149 - $100)

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- Dvorak Well Company
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- Platte Valley Bank
- Sid Dillon Buick GMC Cadillac Mazda
- Sid Dillon Chevrolet
- Swanson Insurance and Real Estate
- Western Integrated Seed, Inc.
- Wiechman Pig Co. Stockyards Inc.
- Howard & Betty Peterson Memorial

## BRONZE MEDAL Donors
($50 - $59)

- Robert & Kelly Abrahams Family
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- Duane & Elaine Brandt
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- Dickmeyer Masonry
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- Frontier Coop
- German Mutual Insurance
- Joel & Carol Hargens
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- Hunke Manufacturing
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- Steven & Peggy Pribnow
- Mark & Jean Schaferman
- Jay Schroeder Family
- Scribner Bank
- Todd & Linda Taylor
- Verner Veterinary Clinic
- Donald & Becky VonSeggern
- Don & Kelly Witte

## PURPLE RIBBON Donors
(up to $49)

- Abe Krasne Home Furnishings
- Sherri Adams
- Animal Medical Clinic
- Bob's Custom Meats
- Bopp Trucking L.L.C.
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- CK Cattle Co.
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- DC Clowers 4-H Club
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- Mark & Lisa Poppe
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- State Farm Insurance
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- Lauren Timm Family
- David & Leigh Varner
- Wal-mart Supercenter
- Evelyn Blaha Memorial
- Mary Jo Kreilkemeyer Memorial
- Cheryl Kroenke Memorial
- James Schroeder Memorial
- Martya Schroeder Memorial
- Helen Spath Memorial
- Valiera Stockamp Memorial
- Danny Thernes Memorial
- Dorothy Witte Memorial

**CONTRIBUTIONS STILL BEING ACCEPTED!**
Dodge County 4-H Council, Awards Fund
P.O. Box 1933, Fremont, NE 68026
NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE & NATIONAL 4-H YOUTH CONGRESS

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE
Conference: March 25-30, 2017 in Chevy Chase, Maryland
http://www.4-h.org/4-h-conference/

National 4-H Conference is a unique experience for youth to attend a national conference focusing on 4-H issues. It provides an opportunity for youth to:
- meet 4-H youth from across the United States
- discuss issues impacting youth
- participate in a consulting group with 4-H’ers across the country
- discuss current 4-H programming
- make suggestions for expansion or changes
- make recommendations for future programming

Number of Awards:
Each year two Nebraska 4-H’ers are selected to represent Nebraska at the National 4-H Conference.

Age of Applicants:
4-H members must be age 15-18 as of January 1 of the calendar year the incentive is received.

Selection process:
The selection process for the:
- **County** is based on the Career Portfolio and county award application form.
- **State** is based on a cover letter, 4-H resume and a personal interview.

To apply:
Submit a cover letter and resume. The **cover letter** should be addressed to the "**Nebraska National 4-H Conference Selection Committee**" introduce the applicant by: briefly highlighting the 4-H'er's leadership and explaining why they want to be selected for this award.

The **resume** should have the following format:
- **Pages:** 2 one-sided pages
- **Font:** 12-point Times New Roman, true type
- **Margins:** 1-inch on all sides.

The resume must include:
A. Name
B. Contact Information including: address, telephone, e-mail, etc.
C. Education: year in school, GPA, etc.
D. Personal Goals
E. 4-H Career Highlights (include overview of projects)
F. 4-H Activities
G. 4-H Honors and Awards
H. Experiences in Public Speaking
I. 4-H Leadership Experiences
4-H Citizenship Experiences

When both cover letter and resume are done:
- Staple the cover letter and resume together.
- Do NOT include plastic covers or photos.

Applications will be reviewed by the State Awards committee. The top 8 candidates will be selected to participate in face-to-face interviews January 2017.

Selection Criteria:
Initially, applications will be judged based on the following criteria.
- Individual meets the age criteria
- **50%** - Experiences in 4-H Leadership
  - Volunteer leadership
  - Elected/appointed leadership
- **25%** - Experiences in 4-H citizenship/community service
- **25%** - Experiences in 4-H projects/programs
  - Learning experiences
  - Accomplishments and recognitions
  - Experiences in public speaking

NATIONAL 4-H YOUTH CONGRESS
November 25-November 29, 2016 in Atlanta, Georgia
http://national4hcongress.com/

National 4-H Youth Congress is an award program to recognize 4-H youth for their outstanding 4-H performances and achievements.

Delegates have the opportunity to:
- Meet 4-H members from around the country
- Discuss current youth-related issues
- Participate in a hands-on community service project.
- Attend workshops
- Hear inspirational speakers
- Tour Atlanta

The late November event is conducted by a committee of 4-H staff and teens from several states across the county, with support from national and state donors.

Eligibility
All Dodge County 4-H youth between the ages of 15-19 years are eligible to apply. Applicants need to have completed at least 2 full years of 4-H work and must be carrying a 4-H project during the year they go on the trip.

Application Submission
At the county level, applicants may apply to the district/state contest in two curriculum areas.

At the national level, winners can only represent their state in 1 curriculum area. If an applicant wins in two curriculum areas, the 4-H'er must choose which curriculum area in which they prefer recognition. First and second choices should be clearly marked on the curriculum area of the 4-H Career Portfolio entry sheet.

Financial Information
Fifteen applicants are chosen for partial scholarships to attend National 4-H Congress. Alternates may attend at their own expense.
AK-SAR-BEN ’S RIVER CITY RODEO & STOCK SHOW
September 22-25 at CenturyLink Center, Omaha

Ak-Sar-Ben’s River City Rodeo & Stock Show (ARCR) serves as the Official Community Celebration of Omaha, hosting three core events including the Douglas County Fair, the nation’s largest 4-H Stock Show, and the Ak-Sar-Ben Rodeo—home to two championship rodeos (the Justin Boots Championships and the Wrangler Champions Challenge Finale). Learn more about these events, as well as a variety of free family fun at: http://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/default.aspx

2016 Nebraska Pork Youth Conference
Makin’ Bacon … and a Whole Lot More!
Applications Due: September 20, 2016
Event: October 16th through, Tuesday, October 18th.

Sponsored by the Nebraska Pork Producer’s Association, Nebraska Extension, and the UNL Department of Animal Science. Those selected will miss two days of school, but from past experience, we know most of the school administrators and coaches are very willing to work with those youth selected to participate.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors in high-school are encouraged to participate in the 2016 Nebraska Pork Youth Conference, Makin’ Bacon … and a Whole Lot More! Applications will be reviewed and 32 students will be selected to participate.

Other than the youth’s transportation to and from Lincoln, there will be NO COST to participate. All lodging, meals, and conference materials are covered!

2016 Dodge County 4-H Ambassadors
Emily Franzluebbers
Taylor Harms
Shae Moeller
Jamie Poppe

4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Tuesday, November 1, 2016

The primary goal of the Dodge County 4-H Ambassador Program is building communication skills to be utilized in both an advocacy role for the Dodge County 4-H Program and in other aspects of the ambassador’s life.

4-H Ambassador candidates must:
• be 16-18 years old as of January 1, 2015.
• demonstrate leadership
• serve as a role model for the Dodge County 4-H Program.

The role of the Dodge County 4-H Ambassador includes
• ADVOCATES: Ambassadors will represent and promote the Dodge County and Nebraska 4-H programs at various events such as the Dodge County Fair, Fremont 4-H Fair and other local/regional 4-H events.
• ROLE MODELS: Ambassadors are role models for other youth. They will be respectful, polite and helpful with other 4-H members, adult leaders, and UNL Extension staff.
• TEACHERS: Ambassadors will have the opportunity to assist with events throughout the county. Their purpose is to assist in educating youth and adults about the 4-H program.

Learn more at: http://dodge.unl.edu/ambassadorprogram

CASNR Helps Prospective Students Experience the Power of Red Visit Day
Saturday, November 5, 9:00am-2:00pm

An event where you’ll learn how CASNR prepares students for careers in everything from animals to plants, soil to climate, golf to business, mechanization to leadership, and food to forensic science.

You’ll meet faculty, staff and current students to get the scoop on what life at UNL is really like. Explore campus in person and get a true sense of the UNL CASNR experience.
DODGE COUNTY 4-H VOLUNTEERS.... PRICELESS to OUR PROGRAM

Volunteers play an important role in delivering the 4-H program in Dodge County. This summer many of you engaged in summer events and activities. The Dodge County Extension Staff extend our gratitude and appreciation for everything you do on behalf of the Dodge County 4-H program.

Special THANKS to...
Dodge County 4-H Council Members
Dodge County Agricultural Society ~ Dodge County Fair Board
Dodge County FFA Students and Advisors
All Dodge County 4-H Members, Leaders and Parents

Also, many THANKS to the Dodge County Fair
4-H Superintendents & Contest Superintendents...

Clothing Exhibits................................. Pam Mowinkel
Clover Kid Exhibits............................... Emily Franzluebbers, Taylor Harms, Shae Moeller, Jamie Poppe,
Communication & Expressive Arts............ Renee Lund
Foods Exhibits................................................................. Kelly Witte
Horticulture Exhibits............................... Natalia Bjorklund
Home Environment Exhibits......................... Sherry Adams
Science and Technology Exhibits............... Annette Ebel
Favorite Foods Day................................. Amy Moeller
Livestock Herdsmanship............................. Nathan Mueller, Amber Maassen
Livestock Judging Contest.......................... Kelly Witte
kidZone Barn................................. Paige Meier & Dodge County Farm Bureau
Pancake Feed...................................................... Dodge County 4-H Council
Shooting Sports Contest............................... Leo Blaha
Silent Auction......................................................... Dodge County 4-H Council & All Donors
Beef.............................................................. Cody Moseman, Jeff & Amy Hartman
Bucket Calf......................................................... Maria Kriete, Cory Schlueter
Companion Animal........................................ Autumn Lemmer
Dog.............................................................. Martha Hilbers
Horse................................................................. Jill Gossett, Lindsay Warner, LaRae Thernes, Liz Moore,
                                                   Myron Andrews
Poultry............................................................... Fred & Sara Ness, Katelynn Ness
Rabbit......................................................... Lachelle Hasemann
Sheep/Goat....................................................... Hope Pierce, Kelly Witte, Mike & Faith Hemme
Swine............................................................... BJ Reynolds, Dan Mowinkel, Wayne Francis, Chris Miller

Dodge County Fair Participation 2016

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4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO
Due Tuesday November 1, 2016
By 4:30 pm
to the Nebraska Extension In Dodge County

For the 4-H youth, the 4-H Career Portfolio is:
• an inventory of their cumulative involvement in 4-H, school and their communities.
• a snapshot of their growth through 4-H.
• a resource when applying for county, district, state, and national awards/opportunities.

Career Portfolio resources include:
• CD-ROMs loaded with the 4-H Career Portfolio template are available at the Nebraska Extension in Dodge County
• All the information on the CD-ROM can also be downloaded at:
  http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dodge/careerportfolio/

To create a Career Portfolio, the 4-H youth should begin with the CD-ROM template. Fill in the blanks and, when complete, print off the portfolio. Their annual story with supporting materials and sections will remain the same. 4-H’ers are NOT required to have separate record books for each 4-H project. An accurately completed Career Portfolio captures all the information from the 4-H project books.

4-H Career Portfolio Judges NEEDED
We need Career Portfolio judges. For more information, please contact the UNL Dodge County Extension Office at 402.727.2775.

Clover Kid Record Book
Don’t wait to get started on career portfolios.....even Clover Kids have their very own record book. This is a simple book that Clover Kids can fill out and draw pictures to express their year in 4-H. Clover Kids will receive special recognition at the annual 4-H Achievement Celebration. You can receive the Clover Kid record book by going online at:
http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dodge/careerportfolio/

NEBRASKA 4-H DIAMOND CLOVER PROGRAM LEVELS

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Each level has a certain number of suggested accomplishments required to complete that level. These accomplishments encourage individual exploration of a wide variety of 4-H projects, activities, and contests.

Participating 4-H members will gain:
• Self-esteem from successfully completing the requirements of each level
• skills from successful completion of the projects.
• the satisfaction of progress made towards self-set goals
• opportunities for developing youth/adult partnerships
• valuable additions for future resumes.

Learn more at http://4h.unl.edu/diamondclover.
CAREER PORTFOLIOS APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Application Deadline: Tuesday, November 1, 2016 by 4:30 pm
to the Nebraska Extension in Dodge County, Fremont

REQUIRED MATERIALS:
The following materials are required in the 4-H Career Portfolio should be assembled in the order listed.

ORGANIZING YOUR 4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO:

1. COVER: Use a standard Acco-type fastener in a stiff 8 ½ x 11 inch binder.
   Do NOT use a loose-leaf ring binder. The binder may be purchased from the Nebraska Extension Office.
2. NEBRASKA 4-H GENERAL INFORMATION AND RECOGNITION APPLICATION FORM
3. DODGE COUNTY AWARDS APPLICATION
4. 4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO - A composite of all projects/activities participated in throughout the individual's 4-H career.
   • The 4-H Career Portfolio has been designed for use with Microsoft Word or Open Office. It is NOT required to be typed.
   • Additional pages may be added to the form as indicated.
   • Individuals may use computer word processing equipment to facilitate record-keeping.
   • Information should be printed in the same format as the various sections in "4-H Career Portfolio". However, the information does NOT have to be printed onto the actual form. Use font True Times New Roman 12 point.
5. YOUR 4-H CURRICULUM STORY
   Guidelines: A maximum of six (6) one-sided pages, double spaced, with one-inch margins, True Type Font Times New Roman 12 point.
   Part 1: Introduction
   Introduce yourself, you may wish to include information about your family and personal interests. Tell when and why you joined 4-H. You may want to tell why 4-H is important to you.
   Part 2: Describe Your Growth in Your Major Project Area - the project area in which you are applying for an award. Relate some of the experiences you have had while completing your 4-H project(s). Share how 4-H and your project helped you learn new knowledge and skills. You may want to include some things you have tried successfully and/or unsuccessfully.
   Part 3: Other 4-H Projects and Experiences
   Share highlights of other 4-H projects, activities, or experiences not mentioned in Part 2, include any major learning experiences, items of special interest, and/or unusual situations you encountered.
   Part 4: Leadership /Community Service related to Part 2 of the Story.
   Explain how 4-H has helped you become a better leader and citizen, how 4-H has increased your interest and participation in community affairs, and what you have learned from team efforts.
   Part 5: Conclusion - Summary of the Impact of 4-H on You.—Describe how 4-H participation has helped you to feel good about yourself, influenced your personal goals, and impacted your use of leisure time. Tell about your future plans and the career you want to pursue.
6. SUPPORT MATERIALS:
   Support Materials: Total of six (6) pages - All materials must fit within the confines of an 8 ½ " by 11" piece of paper.
   Includes:
   • maximum of 4 pages of photos
   • 2 optional pages of other 4-H supporting materials (photos are not permitted)
   • newspaper articles and clippings may not be used
   • These materials must provide documentation to support your 4-H portfolio story. Do not include specific project record books or year end stories.
   Photographs may be used to illustrate highlights of the project/curriculum area. Photographs depicting special practices followed, year-to-year progress, or leadership activities provide excellent documentation of growth.
NOTE
1. Four (4) picture pages may be included. Photos should be securely mounted on 8 ½ x 11 - inch one-sided paper. Include a brief caption explanation— descriptive, NOT "cute". Photos captions might identify event, year, and/or your role.
2. Provide "Action" photos to document 4-H activities.
3. Color photocopies, and/or digital photos are acceptable and may be submitted in place of actual photos. Photocopies of newspaper print pictures are not acceptable.
   ♦ DO NOT write on the front of a photo.
   ♦ DO NOT shingle pictures (where one photo must be lifted to see another). Photos may be trimmed, but do NOT confuse information being shared with a collage effect.
   ♦ DO NOT include news clippings or photographs taken from newspapers, magazines newsletters, etc.
   ♦ DO NOT use plastic cover sheets or sleeves on portfolio pages including support material pages.

END OF 4-H YEAR FORMS
The Dodge County 4-H website has all end-of-4-H-year forms:
http://dodge.unl.edu/careerportfolio
- 4-H Career Portfolio Application Guidelines
- Dodge County 4-H County & State Award Application
- Nebraska 4-H General Information Recognition Application
- Diamond Clover Program
- Download your “4-H Career Portfolio”
- College scholarships

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!

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, Chance Ridge, Elkhorn, 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)
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.

UNL AS A CHOICE FOR COLLEGE
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CALENDAR
Husker Weekdays - By appointment http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/huskerweekdays.aspx

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 (CASNR), contact our office at 402-727-2775 or go to:
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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