

## Views from VanDeWalle

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### 4-H Month

February is Nebraska 4-H Month! 4-H is Nebraska's largest youth development organization – empowering nearly 140,000 across the state with the skills to lead for a lifetime. With the support of 12,000 volunteers, Nebraska 4-H helps youth develop and practice life skills through clubs, camps, school enrichment, afterschool, and special interest programs. In both Clay & Fillmore Counties, more than 1 out of 2, age-eligible youth are reached through a variety of 4-H program delivery modes. This is achieved through clubs, camps, school enrichment, afterschool programs, and special interest programs.

Youth are encouraged to celebrate 4-H Month by wearing 4-H shirts, express appreciation to volunteers, supporters and giving back to their communities. In addition to celebrating, youth are invited to join 4-H and complete the annual enrollment process during February. By becoming enrolled members, youth can join a club, exhibit projects at the county and State Fair, participate in contests, and apply for special awards and recognition.

To learn more about how to get involved, visit <https://4h.unl.edu>.

### About 4-H

4-H, the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident young people who tackle issues that matter most in their communities right now. In the United States, 4-H programs empower six million young people through the 110 land-grant universities and Cooperative Extension in more than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. In Nebraska, 4-H is present in all 93 counties through clubs, camps, school enrichment, afterschool programs, and special interest programs. Learn more about 4-H at [4h.unl.edu](https://4h.unl.edu), find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/nebraska4h](https://facebook.com/nebraska4h), on Twitter at [twitter.com/nebraska4h](https://twitter.com/nebraska4h), and on Instagram at [Instagram.com/nebraska4h](https://instagram.com/nebraska4h).