



IMPORTANT DATES

- **Sept 29** - Diamond Clover
- **Sept 29** - Ambassador Applications
- **Sept 29** - Participation Scholarships
- **Sept 29** - College Scholarships
- **Sept 29** - Outstanding 4-H Member
- **Sept 29** - 4-H Council Nomination
- **Sept 30** - 4-H Judge Sign-Up
- **Oct 1** - NYBLS Deadline
- **Oct 15** - Make It With Wool Deadline
- **Oct 19** - Ag Society Meeting
- **Oct 22** - Achievement Party
- **Nov 20** - 4-H 101



ACHIEVEMENT PARTY OCTOBER 22ND!

Join us for an afternoon of activities, supper and awards at the Leadership Center in Aurora! The gym and swimming pool will be open from 3-5pm with supper to follow at 5! Don't forget to RSVP! Open to families enrolled in Hamilton County 4-H.



DIAMOND CLOVER APPLICATIONS

The Nebraska 4-H Diamond Clover program encourages 4-H youth to engage in a variety of programs, projects, and activities that will enable youth to acquire skills and abilities that will prepare them for success in the future. The program is designed to reach and recognize all youth engaged in 4-H, from club members and campers to school enrichment, afterschool, and special interest program participants.

To learn more about the Diamond Clover rules and eligibility, visit:

<https://4h.unl.edu/diamond-clover>

If you have questions on which level you are, please contact the Hamilton County Extension Office at 402-694-6174. Applications can be submitted to the Hamilton County Extension Office by September 29th, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS

2023-24 Ambassador Application is now open! To see the role description and complete the application, visit: <https://go.unl.edu/hrm2>.

Eligibility:

Youth 14-18 years of age (as of Jan. 1 2023)

Enrolled as a Hamilton County 4-H member for two consecutive years (including the current year)

Up to FOUR ambassadors will be selected annually.

The program has an annual application process with an opportunity to re-apply annually if eligible

Applications are due September 29th, 2023!

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCT. 1-7



4-H 101

- Have you ever wondered how to get involved with 4-H?
 - Have you ever wondered what a 4-H Club does and/or how it operates?
- If you answered YES to either of these questions, then 4-H 101 is for you!

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Register Here!! →



Join the Hamilton County 4-H Staff, Hillary and Travis, as they lead once-a-month meetings walking youth and their parents/guardians through the traditional 4-H year! Each meeting lasts 60-90 minutes and will include a specific 4-H topic, an activity that focuses on a project from the Fairbook, and a snack! Come join us for a ton of fun and learn how 4-H is a great experience for the whole family!

***Parents & Guardians will get a chance to learn the ins & outs of the 4-H process, including the year at a glance and specific departments found in the Fairbook.**

Join Us For Our First Meeting!!


4-H 101

When: Monday, Nov 20 @ 6 PM

Where: Hamilton County Fairgrounds
Commercial Building

What: Join us for the first of our monthly sessions for the upcoming 4-H year! We will be discussing the important topics of 4-H and have some group fun!

Who: Kids 5-18 & their Parents/Guardians



Nebraska Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture. The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.



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PARTICIPATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Participation scholarship application is now open! To apply, visit: <https://go.unl.edu/ga3t>.

Eligibility:

The applicant must be of ages 8-18 (as of Jan. 1, 2023)

The applicant must be a current member of Hamilton County 4-H

Applications are due September 29th, 2023!

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The college scholarship application is now open! To apply, visit: <https://go.unl.edu/qxh6>.

Eligibility:

- Plan to attend an accredited trade school or college
- Minimum 2.5 GPA (please provide a copy of your high school transcripts)
- Involvement in school and community activities
- Currently enrolled in and active in the 4-H program through Hamilton County, Nebraska

Applications are due September 29th, 2023!

NEBRASKA YOUTH BEEF LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

November 17-19 at UNL Animal Science Complex
The symposium is designed to introduce youth to careers opportunities and current issues in the beef industry, as well as offer education and practice in the use of leadership skills. For more information visit go.unl.edu/nybls



OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBER NOMINATIONS

Each year, a 4-H member is chosen as the Outstanding 4-H Member award recipient. Outstanding 4-H members are individuals who you have seen excel in the four H's - Head, Heart, Hands and Health while being actively involved in 4-H.

If you wish to nominate someone, please visit: <https://go.unl.edu/7baw>.

Applications are due September 29th, 2023!

4-H JUDGE SIGN-UP

Adults interested in judging county and state 4-H projects, including live animal shows, static exhibits, and contests, are invited to complete the Judges Sign Up Form. By completing the online process, you agree to be screened according to the 4-H Youth Safety Policy, verify your receipt of the UNL Activity Worker Guidelines, and sign the 4-H Code of Conduct. Once the screening process is complete, your information will be made available to county Extension offices and State Fair 4-H superintendents. Those interested in hiring you to judge will contact you directly.

Sign-up now to judge in 2024! The form closes on September 30, 2023.

NOMINATE 4-H COUNCIL

4-H Council is now accepting nominations for 2024! To nominate someone, please visit:

<https://go.unl.edu/nk50>

Applications are due September 29th, 2023!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

2023 MAKE IT WITH WOOL COMPETITION

The Make it With Wool Competition is back and taking entries for their National and State Competitions. The object of the Make It With Wool Contest is to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabrics and yarns; to encourage personal creativity in sewing, knitting, crocheting, spinning and weaving of wool fabrics and yarns; to recognize creative skills, and to develop life skills. The fabrics/yarns used for the wool contest must be 100% wool or wool blend (minimum 60% wool or specialty wool fiber) for each fashion fabric or yarn used. Specialty wool fibers include alpaca, angora, camel, cashmere, llama, mohair, and vicuna.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Alayna P.
- Thomas B.
- Jordyn B.
- Brianna S.
- Xaviar T.
- Aislynn J.
- Gabriel G.
- Brennyn M.
- Brayden W.
- Brenna Y.
- Elijah L.
- Lillie L.
- Eden O.
- Grayson R.
- William K.
- Evelyn F.

Entry Deadline: October 15, 2023

Narration Deadline: November 1, 2023



For more information please reach out to the following websites or Beth Andrews (andrewsdb@gmail.com).

Nebraska MIWW information website:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dawson/>

National MIWW website: www.makeitwithwool.com

DON'T FORGET!

If you still haven't picked up your fair premiums or cake auction monies, please do so at the Hamilton County Extension Office!



6M

Six million kids nationwide are learning how to be better humans in 4-H.

4-H has had more than 100 birthdays! One of 4-H's first youth programs took place in 1902 in Ohio.



An organization with worldwide prestige, 4-H is alive and well in more than 50 countries.



The original pledge was written in Kansas in 1918.

Over a half MILLION volunteers support the 4-H youth development mission.



4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension's 4-H program – a network of more than 100 public universities.