



# Knox County 4-H Clover Kids Handbook

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### Who are Clover Kids:

Clover Kids are youth that are ages 5, 6, or 7 as of January 1 of the current year. The program is designed to provide 5- to 7-year-olds a variety of educational and recreational experiences in a non-competitive environment. Clover Kids provide an excellent opportunity for youth to achieve his/her highest potential because early life experiences affect future development. The primary goal is to promote the child's stages of development – intellectually, physically, socially, and emotionally.

- Develop Self-Esteem
- Decision-Making Skills (making positive choices)
- Comprehensive Skills (learning how to learn, positive attitudes toward learning)
- Mastering Physical Skills (enjoying constructive and creative play)
- Social-Interaction Skills (getting along with others)
- Diversity Skills (acceptance of others; exploring family and community relationships)

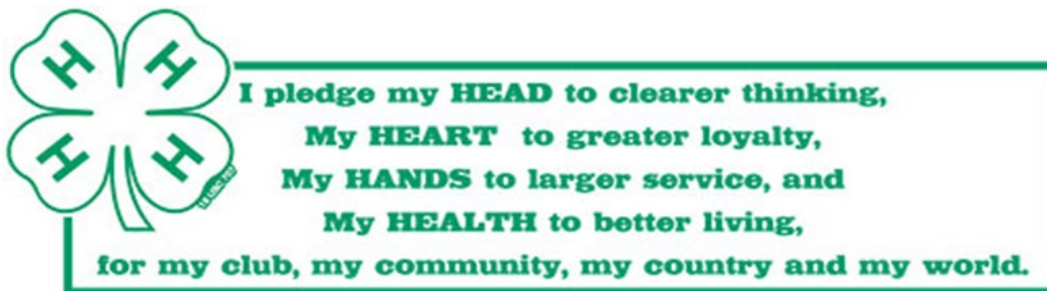
### 4-H Emblem:



A green four-leaf clover with a white H on each leaf. The four H's stand for head, heart, hands and health.

### 4-H Pledge:

The pledge tells what 4-H is about. The 4-H goal is the four-fold development of youth: Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The pledge was adopted by the delegates of the 1927 National 4-H Club Camp in Washington, D.C. State club leaders voted for and adopted the pledge for universal use. The phrase “and my world” was added in 1973. The saying of the pledge has a prominent place in 4-H activities, at regular 4-H meetings, achievement days and other club events.



### 4-H Motto: “To Make the Best Better”

The motto “To Make the Best Better” is intended to inspire young people to continue to learn and grow, to make their best efforts through participating in educational experiences.

### 4-H Slogan: “Learning by Doing”

The phrase “Learning by Doing” sums up the educational philosophy of the 4-H program. Young people learn best when they are involved in their learning.

**4-H Colors:**

The 4-H colors are green and white. Green, nature's most prominent color, symbolizes growth. The white symbolizes purity and high ideals.

**How to Stay Informed:**

Knox County 4-H information is available on our website <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/knox/> or Facebook <https://go.unl.edu/knoxcountyfacebook>.

**How to Enroll:**

Each Clover Kid Member needs to enroll or re-enroll each year before participating in any 4-H event or by June 15 by using the 4-H Online Enrollment Program. Please use Google Chrome as your browser to enroll in 4-H Online (<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>). The following information is available to help you at this link

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/knox/youth-enrollment-information/>

- 4HOnline Link
- 4HOnline Steps to Re-enroll Returning Member
- 4HOnline Steps to Enroll New Member

You may also contact the Knox County Extension Office for enrollment information.

**Knox County Dues:**

There are no dues for Clover Kid Members.

**Knox County Fair Entry Process:**

All Clover Kid entries that will be exhibited at the Knox County Fair must be pre-entered. Two entry forms, one for static exhibits and one for livestock exhibits, will be sent to each clover kid enrolled in 4-H Online by June 15<sup>th</sup>. The forms will also be available online at [knox.unl.edu](http://knox.unl.edu). Watch our 4-H newsletter for deadlines and additional information on the entry process.

**Dress Code:**

Clover Kid members showing any animal projects at the fair need to wear a long-sleeve white shirt, white T-shirt (no club names), or the official Knox County T-shirt (either the green or the white T-shirt) and blue or dark jeans are preferred. Hard soled shoes or boots are recommended for the 4-H animal shows.

**Clover Kids Resources:**

Resources are available from the Extension Office or at the following <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/knox/clover-kids/>



## **Clover Kid Static Exhibits:**

### **■ STEM Rockets Fair Exhibits:**

Marshmallow Rocket  
Glider or Kite

Poster (Design a Rocket and Label parts)  
Robot (juice box type)

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### **■ Foods & Nutrition Fair Exhibits:**

Nutritious Snack  
Poster or Food Type Mobile

Cookie  
Decorated Cupcake or Cookie

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### **■ Home Design & Restoration Fair Exhibits:**

Recycled Article  
Wall Hanging  
Decorative Storage Box or Container  
Lego Exhibit

Collage with a Theme  
Accessory for Your Home  
Decorated Picture Frame  
Name Art

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### **■ Textiles Fair Exhibits:**

No-Sew Pillow  
Decorated T-shirt

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### **■ Conservation & Wildlife Fair Exhibits:**

Nature Book  
Homemade Rain Gauge  
Clay Insect  
Leaf Rub Exhibit

Bird Feeder  
Plant  
Picture Using Nature Items

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### **■ Safety Fair Exhibits:**

Know Your Bike - Poster identifying bike parts and their purpose  
Safety Poster or Scrapbook  
First Aid Kit

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### **■ Consumer Education Fair Exhibits:**

Needs vs. Wants Collage  
Piggy Bank

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### **■ Communications Fair Exhibits:**

Hand Made Puppet  
Picture Story  
Story Mask with Description

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### **■ Photography Fair Exhibits:**

My Favorite Picture  
Photo Collage

■ **Horticulture Fair Exhibits:**

- Three Different Root Crops (for example: 1 potato, 1 carrot, 1 onion)
- Three Different Non-root Crops (for example: 1 bean, 1 tomato, 1 cucumber)
- Three Cut Flowers - Annual (1 stem of 3 different varieties)
- Three Cut Flowers - Perennial (1 stem of 3 different varieties)
- Special Vegetable Exhibit
- Unique Vegetable or Flower
- Fairy Garden
- Veggie Art Print

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■ **Miscellaneous Fair Exhibits:**

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| Club Exhibit          | Project Fail Exhibit     |
| Make Your Own Diorama | Pet Poster               |
| Lego Exhibit          | County Challenge Exhibit |

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**Clover Kid Livestock Exhibits:**

■ **Animal Fair Exhibits:**

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| Bucket Calf          | Bottle Lamb  |
| Miniature Goat       | Pig          |
| Cat                  | Dog          |
| Companion Animal/Pet | Poultry      |
| Rabbit               | Dummy Roping |



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**Other Clover Kid Events:**

Contact the Extension Office for more information or to pre-register for any of the following activities.

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| Public Speaking      | Presentation Contest         |
| Food Revue Contest   | Fashion Show                 |
| Talent Contest       | Horticulture Judging Contest |
| Do-You-Know Contest  | Livestock Judging Contest    |
| Clover Kid Workshops |                              |

A green rectangular graphic with a white border. At the top left, it says "DID YOU KNOW?". Below that, a yellow box contains the text: "In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us." To the right is a white four-leaf clover logo with "H" in each leaf and "4-H" at the bottom. At the bottom, a white rounded rectangle contains the text: "4-H Online Join 4-H Today! Visit https://v2.4honline.com Call 402-288-5611 with any questions".