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# 4-H Family Newsletter

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# **4-H Enrollment for 2025 is now OPEN**

The 4-H Online system for the new 4-H year is now OPEN! Now is the perfect time to join a club, too, as club meetings are just getting started for the new year. See a list of clubs in Madison County at https://extension.unl.edu/ statewide/madison/2022%204-H%20Leaders.pdf

• **To Enroll**, login at v2.4honline.com

**<u>Returning families</u>**: do not create a new profile. Use your email and password from previous years to sign in.

**New families:** create a new profile and write down your password.

We do not have access to passwords.



• Step-by-step instructions can be viewed at https://4h.unl.edu/enroll

Enrollment Dues- Madison County remains at \$5.00/member for enrollment dues for the year. Enrollment will be accepted once payment is received. Online payment via credit card is an option. You must either pay the Extension Office with cash or check OR pay online with credit card for your enrollment to be accepted.

Reminder: Club dues are separate from the county dues.

Contact Sarah or Jayd for help enrolling! Call the office at 402-370-4040 to set up an appointment for assistance with enrollment.

# **Updates** -

The project selection is optional. By successfully completing enrollment, youth will be eligible to participate in 4-H. While optional, it is encouraged for youth to select projects they are interested in exploring. Yet it will not determine participation of projects, contest, fairs, etc. This will make the enrollment process easier, and it won't limit what the members can be involved in throughout the

4-H year. (Exceptions: horse and shooting sports project members are **required** to select the projects due to parental consent required to participate in these projects)





AGE: 5-7



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED! All participants may come pick up their coloring page and top 5 winners will receive their prize at the Extension office!



#### 4-H Support Staff Position Summary

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The 4-H Support Staff position is responsible for performing a variety of clerical and technical tasks for the 4-H program and other programs offered by the Madison County Extension Office. Responsibilities include coordinating 4-H participants and special events, assisting and preparing programming when necessary, answering questions for the public, and distributing correspondence.

More information is available at indeed.com.

first 25 to adult volunteers to register will get reimbursed through 4-H Council -PRIORITY will go to 4-H Council members

VIRTUAL - NOV. 1 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

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SCOTTSBLUFF

5:30 - 8:00 p.m. MDT

HASTINGS

5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**NORFOLK - NOV. 19** 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Join one of the unique volunteer training events to discover new opportunities for your members, network with others volunteers, and build your skills working with youth.

> A \$15 registration fee covers a meal and all supplies.

Learn more and register at GO.UNL.EDU/4HVRS



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### SESSION TOPICS

The North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Impact Study 2.0, a 12-state study of 4-H volunteers, was conducted in January 2024. Discover the impacts of volunteering for 4-H youth development and how you have made a difference by sharing your sparks.

County Fair Superintendent Training -

County fair superintendents have a very important role in the 4-H experience for youth and families. Learn how to excel in this role and ensure a great experience for all!

Take your **club service activities** to the next level by creating a county fair exhibit out of the experience.

Calling **animal and livestock** volunteer euthenists! Take a deeper look into opportunities for youth who have found their spark through animal and livestock projects!

Discover how volunteers can ensure youth are **beyond ready** for their future!

### Governor's Ag Excellence Award

As you plan for the 2025 year, please consider applying for a NIFA award. This is the Nebraska 4-H Founcation's Governor's Agricultural Excellence Award sponsored by the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority. It is a prestigious award designed to recognize 4-H clubs for their efforts to serve their communities. This grant is intended to provide funding for 4-H Clubs to complete projects that will have a lasting impact on their communities. Please visit:

<u>https://www.ne4hfoundation.org/governers-ag-</u> <u>excellence-award/</u> for more informatoin.



# 2024 Madison County Fairboard Annual Meeting and Election of members

The Annual meeting of the Madison County Fairboard including election of members will be held on Monday, November 18 at 7pm at the Madison County Fairgrounds.





## **4-H Livestock Committee Meeting**

All livestock, horse, and small animal families, superintendents, volunteers, and leaders are welcome to bring suggestions to improve the livestock and small animal programs! This is your opportunity to develop a stronger 4-H and animal program in Madison County!

Thursday, December 12 at 6:00 p.m.

at the Extension Office in Norfolk



# **Senior Scholarships Available**

#### Attention High School Seniors

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Are you graduating in 2025? If so, you would have received the 4-H Council Scholarship application in the mail! Be sure to complete this application and turn it in by January 10 to be considered for this scholarship. Contact the office if you need another application or if you would like us to send you the digital copy.





Nebraska 4-H Foundation Scholarships Due January 5, 2024

Multiple scholarships for graduating seniors are available! To apply for scholarships, 4-H'ers must submit the Nebraska 4-H Achievement Application for state-level review by January 5, 2024. If applying for multiple scholarships, only one Achievement Application should be submitted. For more information visit: https://www.ne4hfoundation.org/scholarshi ps/\_

<u>To access the Achievement Application</u> <u>visit: https://4h.unl.edu/achievement-</u>

<u>application</u>

#### Don and Martha Romeo Scholarship

On behalf of the Nebraska Association of Fair managers, we would like to present the Don and Martha Romeo Scholarship to one qualifying 4-H Male and one qualifying 4-H Female who are graduating seniors in the State of Nebraska and who plan to cotinine with post high school education for the amount of \$500/each. Scholarship awarded at the annual NAFM convention in January. The application is due to the Extension office on November 29. Application can be found at: <u>https://go.unl.edu/d3bf</u>



#### TAKE HOME KITS!

DEVELOP A NEW SKILL!

> HANDS ON LEARNING

ONCE A MONTH!

LIMITED # OF KITS WILL BE AVAILABLE!

#### PICK UP THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18

The featured project for November is....

### **WOODEN ORGANIZER**



Endless possibilities with this wooden organizer! It can be used for folder & notebook organization, post it notes, napkins, or mail organization.

\*\*recommended clamp and finish (air) nail NOT included Open for ages 8 and up. Limited kits available.

**Register here!** <u>https://go.unl.edu/a7ux</u> 4-H Project Area: Home Rest. & Design. Div.:251 Class 904 or 905

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To learn more, visit us madison.unl.edu

# CALENDAR

#### November

18 - Fair Board Annual Election - @ Fairgrounds
28-29— Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
27 - Senior Don & Martha Scholarship DUE

#### December

12 -Livestock Committee Meeting, Extension Office, 6:00 p.m.

#### January

5 - Senior 4-H Foundation Scholarships DUE

10 - Senior 4-H Council Scholarships DUE

#### December 23 - January 1 - Holiday Closedown. Will reopen on January 2

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