

# FOUR CLOVER NEWS

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**N** EXTENSION  
4-H Youth Development



## 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my Head to clearer thinking,  
My Heart to greater loyalty  
My Hands to larger service,  
My Health to better living,  
For my club, my community, my country,  
And my world

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## ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATION & LEADER RECOGNITION

The Nemaha County 4-H Achievement and Leader Recognition Celebration is Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be at the 4-H Building in Auburn beginning at 5:30 p.m. with dinner and followed by awards. *This is an evening you will not want to miss!*

All 4-Hers, leaders and their families are invited to attend and celebrate the many accomplishments in 2024. Awards, mementoes, and premium checks will be distributed throughout the evening. Be sure to mark this on your calendar for an evening of great food, company and recognition of 4-H members and leaders.

### To Those That Completed Achievement Applications:

Completing projects and recording your activities & accomplishments takes a great deal of effort! You can be certain the skills you are using and learning by taking the time to complete your Achievement Application will help you throughout your entire life. Congratulations and thank you for your efforts!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 12<sup>th</sup>: Fall Workshop
  - o 4-H Building
- October 14<sup>th</sup>: Office Closed
  - o All day, Columbus Day
- November 3<sup>rd</sup>: Achievement Night
  - o 5:30 p.m., 4-H Building
- November 11<sup>th</sup>: Office Closed
  - o All day, Veteran's Day
- November 18<sup>th</sup>: 4-H Council Meeting
  - o 6:30 p.m., Courthouse
- November 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>: Office Closed
  - o All day, Thanksgiving

### Reminder:

2023 Achievement Application Bonus Bucks must be spent by **October 31, 2024**. These bonus bucks are transferable to 4-H members within your family at 50% (i.e. \$150 in Bonus Bucks transfers as \$75.) Bonus Bucks can be used to pay for camps, workshops, 4-H t-shirts, and more. Contact the office to see if you still have Bonus Bucks and to figure out how they can be used.



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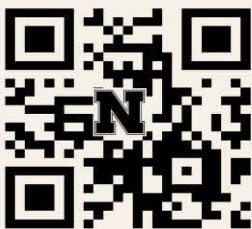
# Volunteer Support



Join one of the unique volunteer training events to discover new opportunities for your members, network with other 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](https://go.unl.edu/4HVRS)



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- **HASTINGS - NOV. 12**  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- **SCOTTSBLUFF - NOV. 14**  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m. MDT
- **VIRTUAL - NOV. 17**  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- **LINCOLN - NOV. 18**  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- **NORFOLK - NOV. 19**  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

## 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!

# Shooting Sports

## **Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop**

A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop is scheduled for November 2-3 in Trenton. The early bird deadline to register for the workshop is October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to become certified as an adult (21 years and older) or apprentice (14-20 years old) leader. Six project areas and ambassador training will be offered at the Trenton Workshop – muzzleloading, rifle, pistol, shotgun, archery, and ambassador.

There is a minimum number of participants needed to offer these disciplines at the workshop. Workshop participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Training Team.

The registration fee is \$100 per person for initial certification or those individuals adding an additional discipline except for Apprentice Instructors and Ambassadors. The registration fee for Apprentice Instructors (14 to 20 years of age) and Ambassadors (14-18 years of age) is \$90 for this workshop. The late registration fee is \$160 for both levels. This fee includes meals, supplies and program materials. Participants must make their own lodging arrangements. Registration on Saturday runs from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

While participants might need to bring limited, if any, equipment to the in-person discipline training site, there are a series of four National 4-H Shooting Sports online modules which individuals **MUST** complete **prior to the training** to become eligible for certification. Information on the modules and how to enroll, ***4-H Shooting Sports Online User Guide***, can be accessed by using the link found on the Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports website under Calendar of 4-H Shooting Sports Events at <https://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports>, under the “Trenton Workshop” - this provides step-by-step instructions on how to sign up for and complete the entire series of modules before the workshop. Individuals who have already completed the Online modules are not required to complete them again.

As individuals follow each of the instructions in the Online User Guide, they will be asked to choose a payment method. Participants are responsible for the \$20 (per person) registration fee. The entire series of modules will take approximately 3-4 hours, so please plan some time accordingly.

Registration is available only online at this link <https://go.unl.edu/5yd4>



## **Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Update Session Offered in Trenton – November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The time has come to provide an update for all Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors who received their training in 2018 or before. Over the years there have been numerous curriculum changes, updates, and additions, with some major curriculum adjustments in the last few years. **Individuals who were certified in 2018 or prior must attend to keep their discipline certification.**

This Update Session is for adult or apprentice 4-H volunteer instructors who have previously attended a 4-H instructor training workshop in 2018 or prior years. This is a required update for existing instructors, NOT a training for new instructors. You **MUST** be a currently enrolled Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports volunteer leader in your county to attend.

### **Archery, rifle, pistol, muzzleloading and shotgun disciplines will be offered for the morning session.**

Registration is at 8:30am and the program starts at 9am. Lunch is provided at noon. There is a minimum number of participants needed to offer each discipline session.

Registration fee must be paid by October 28<sup>th</sup>. Early bird registration by October 23<sup>rd</sup> is **\$35** for the session. Late registration fee, after October 23<sup>rd</sup>, is **\$60**. Fee includes program materials and lunch for the Update session. It does not include lodging.

For more workshop information and registration link, go to the <http://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports/instructor/calendar>.  
Registration Link - <https://forms.gle/Lgey6nTErWyEWEhy5>

# A New 4-H Year



## 4-H Enrollment

It's almost time to enroll or reenroll in 4-H.

Please enroll through 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com>. The website is closed September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 14<sup>th</sup> and will open again on October 15<sup>th</sup> for new enrollment and reenrollment. If you need help navigating the site please reach out to us for help.

### A new 4-H year

A new 4-H year begins on October 1! It is time to reorganize your club and invite new members to join. At your first meeting elect new officers, select a club project, and plan for the year by scheduling meeting dates, project talks, activities, demonstrations, etc. Your plans can be recorded in a yearbook and given to each family. (A Club Project is a project such as: Safety, Flowers, Cake Decorating, etc.)

Organizational Leaders can stop by the Extension Office to get officers' books. Please send or email a list of officers to the Extension Office.

As the new 4-H year begins and you look for ideas for your club members, here is a website with resources just for you, <https://4h.unl.edu/resources/club-leaders>.

#### Organizational Leader Notes:

- Turn in Year-End reports to the office if you have not already done so.
- Pair up new members/families with a mentor member/family to assist new members/families.

### 4-H Council Representatives

Terms of office for the 4-H Council will be ending for some youth and adult club representatives. Club leaders and members need to decide who will represent the club and be committed to attending the Council meetings.

Council meetings are important as club representatives can voice the wishes of their club and policy is set that affects the entire 4-H program. Please let the Extension Office know right away so agenda notices may be sent to them for the November meeting. New and retiring Council members are to attend the November Council meeting. Election of officers will be held, and committee assignments will be decided. (Current members can be re-elected to come back by their club if they have not served 2 – two-year terms.)





# FALL Workshop

COST  
\$10.00  
NO REFUNDS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

at the 4-H Building in Auburn  
Enrollment in 4-H not required.



MOSAIC CRAFT  
AGES 8-18  
9:00 - 10:30 AM



BEADED CRAFTS  
AGES 5-7  
10:30 - 11:15 AM



Register by October 4th at this site:  
<https://go.unl.edu/fallworkshop24> or use the QR code &  
pay in the Extension Office. Make checks to the  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Contact Sheena Davidson with questions: 402-274-4755

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## Sign up for important updates from S. Davidson.

Get information for Nemaha County 4-H right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for Nemaha County 4-H:

- A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

[rmd.at/4676h9b8](https://rmd.at/4676h9b8)

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



- B** If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @4676h9b8 to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @4676h9b8 to (510) 478-9062.

*\* Standard text message rates apply.*



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## NEMAHA COUNTY – TENTATIVE 2024 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENT

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK BACK EACH MONTH FOR CHANGES. **CHANGED DATES ARE HIGHLIGHTED.**

### OCTOBER

- 6 Shooting Sports Mtg., 6:00 p.m., 4-H Building
- 12 **Fall Workshop, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m., 4-H Building**
- 14 Office Closed for Columbus Day
- 14 Jr. Riders Mtg., 5:30 pm., 4-H Building
- 20 Johnsonites Mtg., 5:00 p.m., Johnson Library
- 21 B.U. Stockraisers Mtg., 7:00 p.m., 4-H Building

### NOVEMBER

- 3 **4-H Achievement Night, 5:30 p.m., 4-H Building**
- 10 Timbercreek Mtg., 5:00 p.m., Johnson Library
- 11 Office Closed for Veteran's Day
- 11 Jr. Riders Mtg., 5:30 p.m., 4-H Building
- 17 Johnsonites Mtg., 5:00 p.m., Johnson Library
- 18 4-H Council Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Courthouse
- 18 B.U. Stockraisers Mtg., 7:00 p.m., 4-H Building
- 28-29 Office Closed for Thanksgiving

### DECEMBER

- 1 4-H Shooting Sports Mtg., 6:00 p.m., 4-H Building
- 8 Timbercreek Mtg., 5:00 p.m., Johnson Library
- 9 Jr. Riders Mtg., 5:30 p.m., 4-H Building
- 15 Johnsonites Mtg., 5:00 p.m., Johnson Library
- 16 B.U. Stockraisers Mtg., 7:00 p.m., 4-H Building
- 23-1/2 Office Closed for Holiday

# National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week is October 7-12 and the theme for this year's celebration, *Beyond Ready* is a campaign developed by the National 4-H Council. Building a ready generation in a world of change, 4-H equips youth with skills for the future while meeting them where they are today. Becoming **Beyond Ready** encompasses opportunities and experiences, connections and discovery, shaping youth into their true and authentic selves.



# Beyond Ready

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