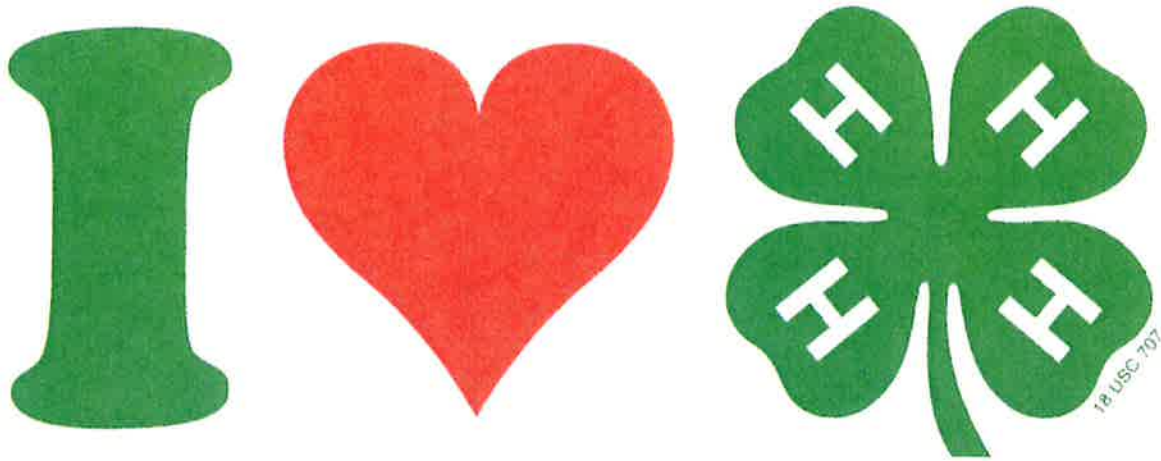


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Otoe County 4-H Council



## 4-H WEEK OCT. 1-7!



### WRAPPING UP THE 2023 FAIR

The 150th Otoe County Fair was a great celebration! We had 3300 exhibits to be proud of - over 80 head of cattle, 38 decorated cakes or cupcakes, 500+ Clover Kid projects, and 150 entries in the Horse Show that spanned over two days due to the excessive heat. Over 150 hogs in the swine show which had a 2 hour delay due to monsoon rain! It seemed like the decks were stacked against us, but we kept moving and finished the fair. Thank you for your support, we will be better prepared next year with a full staff.

### Shooting Sports Certification

Congratulations to those that recently completed their Shooting Sports Certification in West Point! Ryan Damme completed his apprentice rifle certification. John Hay is now trained as an archery instructor. Sherlyn Damme completed her re-certification for rifle. Otoe County has a strong shooting sports program thanks to the volunteers involved!

### CLOVER KID LEADER NEEDED

Are you interested in leading an established Clover Kid club? This would be perfect for someone that has a youth just started in Clover Kids. There is support available! Call the office for details.

# 2023 NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THESE OUTSTANDING OTOE COUNTY EXHIBITORS!

Maverick Aden	Augustin Bruggeman	Hubbard Hay	Gaven Kraeger	Westleigh Santema	Diego Velazco
Oliver Aden	Isaac Bruggeman	Liatris Hay	Jolie Kreifels	Amber Schropfer	Aiden Velazco
Hadley Bakan	Madeline Bruggeman	Charlotte Hinrichsen	Justus Kreifels	Charlie Simon	Carter Wander
Addison Bates	Simon Bruggeman	Jacob Hippen	Addisyn Lorenson	Will Simon	Jayden Walker
Annalynn Beach	John Bryant	John Hippen	Ian Lorenson	Jadyn Sisco	Hayden Wellensiek
Aliyah Beach	Caleb Cannon	Josie Hippen	Timothy Lovelace	Tristan Sisco	Rilynn Whitney
Grace Behmer	Kyle Cavanaugh	Eliie Hodges	Andrew Lovelace	Maci Smidt	Lillie Whyman
Makayla Bennie	Erin Chambers	Lauren Johnson	Brooke MCGown	Daisa Smidt	Brya Willms
Bryn Boitnott	Cody Damme	Emma Kirchhoff	Joslyn Pfeiffer	Madison Stubbendick	Madeline Wood
Payton Brandt	Ryan Damme	Hailey Kirchhoff	Deitric Pfeiffer	Izzy Stubbendick	Jacob Wood
Lauren Brehm	Hailey Dowding	Kirsten Knake	Hailey Pfeiffer	Aubree Tuxhorn	Sydney Wood
Karson Brooks	Marcus Ensor	Kaden Knake	Truman Reisdorff	Lydia VanMeter	Eli Wood
Kole Brooks	Taylor Griepenstroh	Evalyn Kraeger	Maggie Roberts	Emily VanMeter	Michael Wood

## THANK YOU!

Another shout out to the Hay family for helping transport exhibits to the State Fair!

## STATE FAIR EXHIBIT PICKUP

Please stop by the office to pick up your State Fair exhibits and premium checks. The office will be open extended hours on Wednesday, Sept. 13th to better accommodate families.

Our thoughts and prayers continue for the Jess Kirchhoff family. Jess was our swirlie superintendent for many years and always had the kids' best interest at heart. I truly appreciate all he did for me at this year's fair as I learned the program process. - Cheryl

## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS APPLICATION

**Achievement Award Applications are due before October 1st, 2023.**

- Read the enclosed Otoe County 2023 4-H Achievement Application Directions handout.
- Download the forms and essay instructions from the Otoe County Extension website at [www.otoe.unl.edu](http://www.otoe.unl.edu) by clicking on Otoe County 4-H, then 4-H Resources, and scroll down to Awards/Reports.
- Call the office if you need any help!

## CLASS OF 2024

If you are a senior this school year, please email a copy of your favorite vertical senior picture to the Extension Office to be used for the 2024 Senior Banners by **October 1st**. In order to receive your banner, you must be re-enrolled in 4-H for the 2023-2024 4-H year. The banners will be revealed at Achievement Night in November.



# OTOE COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATION



## DIRECTIONS



The 4-H Incentives and Awards Program begins with you as a 4-H youth doing your best and recording your accomplishments.

The 4-H Achievement Application is an organized presentation of what has been learned and accomplished in 4-H. When accurately and carefully assembled, it is a useful tool for determining progress and personal growth. Careful planning and recording of facts and the selection of only the most important information is essential to preparing a neat, complete, and organized application.

All 4-H youth must use the 4-H Achievement Application available on the Otoe County website: [otoe.unl.edu](http://otoe.unl.edu).

The following materials are required in the Otoe County 4-H Achievement Application and should be assembled in the order listed. Include all materials in one application book. Note the penalizing criteria.

### 1. **COVER**

Use an ACCO-type fastener (a stiff 8½ x 11 inch binder). 4-H specific covers can be purchased from the Extension Office (\$3.00 plus tax = \$3.20). DO NOT USE a loose-leaf ring binder.

### 2. **OTOE COUNTY 4-H ENTRY SHEET (Form 1-2023)**

Fill in name, complete mailing address, phone numbers, email address and birthdate. Date and sign the entry form along with a parent's signature. Signatures certify that the information on this application is accurate and complete.

### 3. **OTOE COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITIES SHEET (Form 2-2023)**

Check the contest and activities you participated in during 2020. Keep this form in your book each year, so the forms can be compiled. This way you will have an annual record of your 4-H participation in your 4-H Achievement Application.

### 4. **NEBRASKA 4-H ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATION ESSAY FOR AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**







All Nebraska 4-H participants, age 8-18, are encouraged to complete this application essay for acknowledgement of your achievements in 4-H and to be eligible for any county and state level awards.

**That's it and good luck!** Questions - please call the Extension Office at 402-269-2301. The Nebraska State 4-H Website describes the entire process for those 4-H members who have the goal to attend National 4-H Congress and/or National 4-H Conference, as well as applying for statewide 4-H scholarships. This link is: <https://4h.unl.edu/achievement-application>

Please contact the Nebraska Extension in Otoe County Office so we can assist you in this process.

**Due Date: October 1, 2023**

# SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			4-H Council Meeting -7:00pm			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Regional Youth Crop Scouting Competition					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Achievement Applications and Senior Pictures due to office						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Columbus Day-office closed		4-H Council Meeting 7:00 pm			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
				Family Harmony Through Transition Planning- ZOOM		
29	30	31				
		