



Nebraska Extension-Seward County

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Seward County 4-H

June 2023 Newsletter

DON'T FORGET TO ENROLL IN 4-H!

Visit the 4-H Online website and Enroll Today!

DEADLINE TO ENROLL IS JUNE 15.

v2.4honline.com

Please call the Extension Office at 402-643-2981 with any questions.

2024 Club Contest-- Fair Scavenger Hunt!

The Seward County 4-H Council has chosen to have a Fair Scavenger Hunt for this year's Club Contest! More information will be available as we move closer to the fair season but get ready for lots of fun with everyone in your club involved!

Fair Books Ready Soon

The 2024 Seward County Fair Book is available online now! Check out our website at <https://go.unl.edu/24fairbook>
Printed copies will be ready for pick up soon. Watch our Facebook page and email for when this year's fair book is available.

IMPORTANT DUE DATES

- June 1-- Reserve your camper spot
- June 5-- Seed Bomb Pop, Clover Kid Clover College
- June 6--Last in-person YQCA Training
- June 7--4-H Roping Clinic
- June 12-14--June Block Clover Colleges
- June 15--4-H Enrollment due, Animal I.D. sheets due, YQCA due
- June 19 Culinary Creatures, Clover Kid Clover College
- June 20--Deadline for 4-H/FFA Banners
- June 22--Midwest Jackpot
- June 25--4-H Day Camp and Advanced Horsemanship Skills Test
- June 26--Farm Animal Finger Puppet, Clover Kid Clover College
- June 29--Using Trail Obstacles with the Sheriff's Posse

4-H Family Handbooks are available at the Extension Office. Please make sure you have one for your family. Information on deadlines and procedures are included!

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4-H Opportunities



REQUEST FOR FUNDS

The Seward County 4-H Foundation supports 4-H through a variety of grant opportunities. If your club has a special project, an individual wants to attend a training, or you are working on a special project, the Seward County 4-H Foundation may be able to help cover the cost.

Contact Cindy at the Extension Office to access applications and with questions.

cwolverton3@unl.edu
402-643-2981



2024 Culinary Challenge Contest

Are you creative and love to cook? Do you want to learn more about meal planning? Sign up for the Seward County Culinary Challenge! This contest will be held on July 20th at the Extension Office. For more information on how to compete and exhibit, contact Brittney at bemerson4@unl.edu or (402)643-2981. The 2024 challenge ingredient is soybean!

Use the QR code to sign up!



Reserve your Camping Spot at the Fair!

Beginning June 1st, call Jen Nantkes to reserve your spot! If payment is made before Fair Clean Up Night (July 31st), spots will only be \$200. All payments made after July 31st will be \$300. There are only 32 spots available. Don't miss out!

Jen Nantkes
(402) 641-1573



JUNE 8

Sarah Browning, Extension Educator... Presents at the Seward County Extension Office.

Turfgrasses are one of the best multi-use groundcovers for home, community and commercial use, and they can be kept healthy and vigorous with lower amounts of fertilizer and water than are typically used. Learn how to assess your lawn's need for fertilization and normal turfgrass water requirements, so you can customize the management of your lawn.

- ✓ Saturday, June 8th
- ✓ 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
- ✓ Seward County Extension Office
322 S. 14th, Seward, NE
- ✓ RSVP 402-643-2981



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4-H Culinary Challenge Contest Registration

Saturday, July 20

Extension Office

The 4-H Culinary Challenge Contest will require youth to demonstrate healthy decision making through nutrition, food preparation, menu planning, and food safety, utilizing foods and nutrition curriculum. They will apply healthy living knowledge and skills by planning a nutritious menu, demonstrating their understanding of time management skills in the kitchen, and expressing their originality and creativity through an appropriately themed and properly set table. To showcase these skills, youth will:

- ◆ Create a menu.
- ◆ Prepare one food item using the challenge ingredient. The 2024 challenge ingredient is **soybean**.
- ◆ Choose an appropriate theme for their occasion while expressing their food, nutrition, and food safety knowledge during a live interview with a judge at the contest.
- ◆ Utilize technology as part of their interview in order to highlight knowledge and skills acquired during pre-contest preparation.

***For specific guidelines, see the 2024 Fair Book: <https://go.unl.edu/sewardculinary24>*

***Additional resources for planning are available here: <https://food.unl.edu/food-projects>*

Name(s): _____

4-H Club: _____ 4-H Age(s): _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Check the class you plan to present in:

Team: Ages 10+ with an 8- to 10-minute interview (State Fair eligible)

Individual: Ages 10+ with an 8- to 10-minute interview (County only)

Novice: Ages 8-9 (team & individual) with a 4- to 6-minute interview (County only)

Clover Kid: Ages 5-7 (team & individual) with a maximum 4-minute interview (County only)

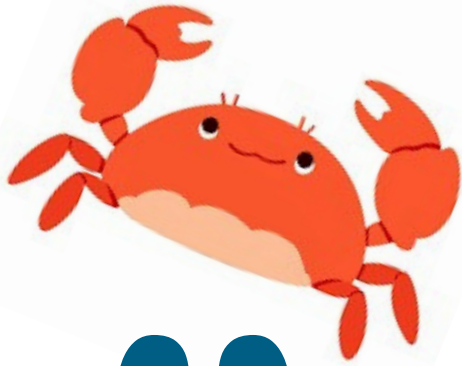
**Clover Kids only need to complete tasks 2 & 3. Tasks 1 & 4 are optional.*

Return registration by Wednesday, July 10th to the Extension Office.



4-H JR. LEADERS 2024 DAY CAMP

Tuesday, June 25th 9:00 a.m-12:00 p.m



Under the Sea



Dear Parents,

Who can attend?

Incoming K-3

Where?

Seward Country Harvest
Hall

Cost?

\$15 Camp Fee
(Scholarships Available)

Checks can be made payable to:
Seward County Junior Leaders

The Jr. Leaders would like to invite your child to participate in a morning of learning and fun at the 2024 “Under the Sea” 4-H Day Camp. This year’s camp is focused on hands-on learning throughout the ocean and sea life. We will explore sea creatures, the water cycle, & play numerous interactive games.

The Jr. Leaders are teen leaders who are growing & learning leadership skills. These leaders are actively supporting the community and encouraging youth. We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to have your child join in on the fun **June 25th, 2024.**

We are limited to the # of registrants for the day camp, so please send in registration/fee today! If you have any questions, please call-(402)-643-2981.

2024 4-H Day Camp Registration

June 25th from 9:00 a.m-12:00 p.m Seward County Harvest Hall Fee: \$15

Camper's Name: _____

Parent's Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Street/PO box

City

Zip

Phone: _____

Parent's Contact # for during Day Camp

Health Statement

- | | | |
|---|-----|----|
| 1.Is the camper subject to attacks of any kind? | Yes | No |
| 2.Does the camper have allergies or dietary restrictions? | Yes | No |
| 3.Is the camper currently under any type of medical treatment? | Yes | No |
| 4.Is there any medical or behavioral conditions existing that may require treatment or affect camper's participation in this program? | Yes | No |
| 5.If answered yes to any of the above please explain: | | |

I give permission for my child's photo to be taken: Yes No

I give permission for my child's photo or photos to be used on the 4-H website or newsletter: Yes No

In a 4-H Club?:	Y	N	Grade	K	1st	2nd	3rd	Gender:	M	F
Ethnicity:	Hispanic		Non-Hispanic							
Race: (Circle)										
<input type="checkbox"/>	White (only)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			<input type="checkbox"/>	White & Asian		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Black or African American (only)		<input type="checkbox"/>	White & Black (or African American)			<input type="checkbox"/>	Other		
<input type="checkbox"/>	American Indian or Alaska Native (only)		<input type="checkbox"/>	White & Am. Indian or Alaskan Native						
			<input type="checkbox"/>	Black & Am. Indian or Alaskan Native						
Residence: (Circle)										
<input type="checkbox"/>	Acreage		<input type="checkbox"/>	Farm			<input type="checkbox"/>	Town		

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registrations are to be sent to:

Seward County Extension Office 332 S 14th St Seward, NE 68434

Livestock Information

Fair Banners

We are excited to share that Seward County Ag Society is providing the opportunity to recognize 4-H and FFA youth with an individual banner again in 2024. These will be displayed throughout fair.

The banners will be provided to youth who have at least eight years of participating at the Seward County Fair in 4-H and/or three years or more of participating at the fair in FFA. You may receive one of these banners only one year, so if you received one last year, you will not be eligible to receive another. You can wait to receive the banner if you want to have it for or after your senior year. The deadline is June 20, 2024. If you want to receive your banner this year, please fill out the form at this link.

<https://go.unl.edu/banner2024>



Discover & Design

Explore Hands-On Learning Activities for Children in Early Childhood

JUNE 20TH **6:00 - 8:00 P.M.**

Meal provided and served at 5:30 p.m.



Description

Parents, caregivers, and educators are invited to join a dynamic professional development session focusing on hands-on learning activities for young children. Explore creative experiences like the Pool Noodle Airplane, Roly Poly Round Up, and Solar Oven S'mores, and more! This session is not just about trying out activities; it's also an opportunity for professional discussion and collaboration. Participants will engage in meaningful conversations about children's learning, share insights, and exchange ideas. The session aims to foster a creative and innovative environment, enhancing the educational experiences of young children.



Sponsorship

No cost to participants. Sponsored by Seward County Communities for Kids and SCCDP.

Location

Seward County Extension Office
322 S. 14th, Seward, NE

Contact for Questions

Emily Manning
emily.manning@unl.edu
402-643-2981



Register Here



<https://go.unl.edu/ho04>



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2024 4-H T-Shirt Order Form



2024 4-H T-Shirts will be ordered through the links provided below directly with Middle Creek Printing. 4-H youth will receive one free shirt from the generosity of the Seward County 4-H Foundation. All other t-shirts must be ordered and paid for using the Adult/Friends of 4-H link.

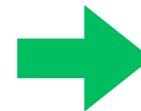
Follow Directions Carefully

<https://go.unl.edu/2024fair-t-shirt-4-h-only>

Use 4-H Youth Name

Pick up shirt at Middle Creek Printing

4-H Youth Only



<https://go.unl.edu/2024fair-t-shirt-all-others>

All Other Orders Here

Pick up shirt(s) at Middle Creek Printing

All Other Friends of 4-H



Deadline to order 4-H T-Shirts is June 15th

Middle Creek Printing 402-408-6741

Cindy Wolverton 402-643-2981, cwolverton3@unl.edu

Livestock Information

Home Grown Livestock Classes

Sheep - Beef - Swine

- Know the rules and requirements
- Verification form due June 15th to the Extension Office
- Animal project record sheet due August 6th after weigh in to the 4-H Office at fair.
- Identify on your ID sheet which animal is your home grown.
- Forms can be found on the Seward County web site.



Contact Cindy with any questions at 402-643-2981
cwolverton3@unl.edu



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QUESTIONS
402-643-2981
CWOLVERTON3@UNL.EDU



CLOVER KIDS

ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

- May bring 1 animal, or use another 4-H/FFA members animal.
- Clover kid must ID animal or on shared ID sheet.
- If bringing own animal, exhibitor must indicate on entry if they need a stall.
- **Animal must be less than 350 lbs and 6 months of age or younger day of show.**

An adult is required to be with the Clover Kid when working with and showing their animal.

SEWARD COUNTY *Midwest* JACKPOT 4-H Swine Progress Show

SATURDAY
JUNE 22,
2024

Check In: 8:00 am -9:00 am
Show Starts: 10:00 am

SEWARD COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
SEWARD, NE

www.facebook.com/midwestjackpotshow



Brought to you by
Seward County 4-H Council & Local Sponsors
Show committee is not responsible for any accidents.

Open to all 4-H & FFA members.

CHECKLIST FOR YOUR 4-H LIVESTOCK



Bucket Calf/Beef Production

- Identification Affidavits due June 15th
- Ear tags in place June 15th
- Pick up from the Extension Office or download from website your record book.
- Record books due to the Extension Office July 23th.
- Interviews Tuesday July 30th
- No 3 ring binders or slick report covers for record book submission. Please just staple all documents together.

Home Grown

- Identification Affidavits due June 15th
- Ear tags in place June 15th
- Verification form due June 15th.
- Pick up from the Extension Office or download from the website your verification form and record sheet.
- Record sheets are due to the Fair 4-H Office following weigh/check in at fair.

All Livestock

- Identification Affidavits due June 15th
- Ear tags in place June 15th
- Declare breeding or market entry by July 10th.
- YQCA Certification due June 15th

Livestock Information

SEWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE



AND SEWARD COUNTY 4-H PRESENTS



USING TRAIL OBSTACLES
to improve your horsemanship
KELLI PAULSON

When: June 29th

Where: Seward County Horse Arena

Time: Check in at 9:00 a.m. Start at 9:30 a.m.

Mini Trail Ride Challenge at 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20/rider-horse

If cost of attending is a hardship, scholarships are available. Contact Barb at 402-430-5296

Come learn from one of the industries best!

Kelli's passion is teaching you how to understand and apply horsemanship in an effective way by using trail obstacles. You will learn skills both on the ground and in the saddle and apply those skills to trail obstacles.

Demonstrate what you learned at 1:00 p.m. in a mini Trail Ride Challenge



LAST IN-PERSON TRAINING FOR SEWARD COUNTY

ENROLL ONLINE AT
HTTPS://YQCAPROGRAM.ORG

\$3 ONLINE FEE + \$3 COLLECTED AT THE TRAINING

TRAINING WILL BE AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE
JUNE 6
10:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M.

Contact Cindy at cynthia.wolverton@unl.edu or
402-643-2981
402-641-4490

2024 Seward County 4-H and FFA Livestock Identification Guidelines

Market Animals	Date Due	County Fair Only	State Fair online nomination, \$7 DNA
Beef	June 15	EID Tag & ID Sheet	EID Tag and DNA & online nomination
Swine	June 15	EID Tag, ID Sheet & Ear Notch	EID Tag and DNA & online nomination
Sheep	June 15	Scrapie Tag & ID Sheet	Scrapie Tag and DNA & online nomination
Goat	June 15	Scrapie Tag & ID Sheet	Scrapie Tag and DNA & online nomination

All Livestock with an EID tag must have a Premise ID on record at the Extension Office

State Fair: Animal Information must be nominated, paid for, and submitted via www.showstockmgr.com by the exhibitor family on or before June 15th. NE State Fair entries can be made at www.statefair.org. Due date August 10th.

Aksarben: All ID & entry information can be found at www.aksarbenstockshow.com.

Breeding Animals	Date Due	County Fair Only	State Fair online nomination, \$7 DNA
Cow Includes cow/calf Bulls	June 15	Cow: Registered: Tattoo, Reg papers & ID Sheet Cow: Commercial: 4-H Tag/EID Tag or Tattoo, ID Sheet Calf: EID Tag & ID Sheet Bull: Registered: Tattoo, Reg Papers & ID Sheet Bull: Commercial: Tattoo or EID Tag & ID Sheet	Tattoo, matching Reg. Papers, DNA Tattoo or EID Tag, DNA No 4-H Bulls
Swine	June 15	Reg: EID Tag + Reg Papers + ID sheet + Ear Notch Cross Bred/Commercial: EID Tag & ID sheet + Ear Notch	EID Tag, DNA Registration Papers EID Tag, DNA
Sheep	June 15	Scrapie Tag & ID Sheet	Scrapie Tag, DNA
Goat	June 15	Scrapie Tag & ID Sheet	Scrapie Tag, DNA
OTHER	Date Due	County Fair Only	State Fair
Dairy Cattle	June 15	ID Sheet with tattoo # and or w/drawing or pictures of left & right sides and head	ID Sheet w/drawing or photos
Dairy Goat	June 15	Commercial Breeding: Scrapie Tag & ID Sheet Registered: Tattoo, Reg #, ID Sheet, Scrapie tag	N/A
Rabbit	June 15	Ear Tattoo	Ear Tattoo
Poultry	June 15	N/A	N/A
Feeder Calf	June 15	EID Tag & ID Sheet	EID Tag, DNA
Bucket Calf	June 15	EID Tag & ID Sheet	N/A
Horse	June 15	ID Sheet w/photos or drawings of markings	ID Sheet w/drawing or photos

USING TRAIL OBSTACLES

to improve your horsemanship

REGISTRATION

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL: _____

AGE: _____



\$20 Rider-Horse



Payment to: Seward County Posse

**Mail Registration to:
Seward County Extension
% Cindy Wolverton
322 S 14th St
Seward, NE 68434**



**Registration and payment due June 24th.
Contact Cindy Wolverton at 402-643-2981 or
cwolverton3@unl.edu with any questions.**

Livestock Information

HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC WITH REBEKAH IRISH

Saturday June 22

- Lexington, NE Stevens Indoor Arena

Sunday June 23

- Lincoln, NE Sandhills Global Event Center

Rebekah Irish is an Instructor of Equestrian Science at Black Hawk College and Coaches the Western Show Team. In 2022, the western team was the first Jr College to win the ISHA National Championship, they were runner up in 2017. Rebekah's wealth of knowledge in coaching horsemanship, experience as a national competitor and excellence as a clinician will help you become a more competent and stronger rider.

Rebekah is ready to help you reach your goals as a horseman, help you improve your riding skills and develop a deeper connection with your horse.

Contact Cindy Wolverton with any questions.
cwolverton3@unl.edu
402-641-4490



Register by June 15



\$40

Per 4-H Member

\$50

Per non 4-H Member



Register by scanning the QR Code
or by clicking this link:
<https://go.unl.edu/hscclinic2024>

Registration deadline June 15th

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4-H HORSE PROJECT

ADVANCED HORSEMANSHIP SKILLS TEST

JUNE 25TH

7:00 P.M.

SEWARD COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS

To be eligible to compete at the Seward County Fair Horse Show youth must complete Advanced Horsemanship Level 1.

- Exempt are Walk Trot Exhibitors
- Break a way roping must complete Level 1 and Level 2

There are multiple parts to each Horsemanship Level. Contact the Extension Office to check your status of eligibility.

The dead line to complete the Horsemanship Level testing is July 10th.



To Register for the June 25th Skills Test Call the Extension Office at 402-643-2981

4-H ROPING CLINIC

FRIDAY JUNE 7TH

6:00 P.M.

SEWARD COUNTY
HORSE ARENA

- ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE FUN.
- NEVER PICKED UP A LARIAT. NO PROBLEM NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.
- PRACTICE ROPING A DUMMY CALF AS WELL AS GROUND ROPING.

- BRING YOUR HORSE FOR DUMMY ROPING

- \$20 FEE/YOUTH. PAYMENT TO UNL

Contact the following for more information:

Christi Arnold 402-641-0122

Courtney Kossov 42-450-2893

Charli Meinberg 402-580-7266

Cindy Wolverton 402-641-4490



Bucket Calf Beef Production 4-H Partners



- If you have not picked up your record book from the Extension Office please do so ASAP.
- Call the Extension Office to sign up for your interview about your project.

Record books are due to the
Extension Office Tuesday July 23rd

Interviews are Tuesday July 30th at
the Extension Office.

Contact Cindy at
cwolverton3@unl.edu or at
402-643-2981 with any
questions.



4-H ROPING CLINIC REGISTRATION

FRIDAY JUNE 7TH

6:00 P.M.

SEWARD COUNTY

HORSE ARENA



- NAME: _____
- AGE: _____
- PHONE #: _____
- EMAIL: _____
- \$20 FEE/YOUTH, PAYMENT TO UNL



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