

JOIN US!

4-H clubs are open to all youth between the ages of 8 and 18 by September 1, and Cloverbud clubs are open to all youth between 5 and 7 years old by September 1. The focus is on “learning by doing” by choosing projects to work on and having fun through group club activities. SPecial INterest (SPIN) clubs focus on one specific project area to develop skills in that area or are for a specific age group. 4-H membership independent of a club but guided by an adult mentor is also an option.

Find a club near you that fits your interests!

All meeting days and times are subject to change. Please check with the county 4-H Coordinator for details before attending your first club meeting.

CARROLL COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

For information and to join, contact:

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Chadwick Area

Chadwick Achievers 4-H Club and Cloverbud Club

Meets 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Chadwick

Leaders: Sandy Imel and Lindsay Ebersole; Cloverbud Leader: Lindsay Hardt

Lanark Area

Clever Clovers 4-H Club and Cloverbud Club

Meets 2nd Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Lanark

Leaders: Taylor Carroll and Stephanie Schultz; Cloverbud Leader: Augusta Witt

Milledgeville Area

Milledgeville Hotshots 4-H Club

Meets 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Milledgeville

Leaders: Sara Thorngren and Bryan Hollewell

Mt. Carroll Area

Carroll County Kids 4-H Club and Cloverbud Club

Meets 3rd Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., Mt. Carroll

Leaders: Shelley Turnbaugh and Melinda Merboth; Cloverbud Leader: Kelly Kruse

Savanna Area

Fusion 4-H Club (Homeschool SPIN)

Meets 1st Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., Savanna (intended for homeschooled youth but open to any child 5-18)

Leader: Lorie Kaatz

Thomson Area

Thomson Sandburrs 4-H Club and Cloverbud Club

Meets 4th Sunday of the month, 1 p.m., Thomson

Leader: Marci Johnson; Cloverbud Leader: Jean Harkless

CARROLL COUNTY SPIN CLUBS

Amplify 4-H Club

For youth ages 5-8 who are interested in communications and public speaking

Meeting times and locations vary, throughout Carroll County

Leader: Kelly Kruse

Boots 'N Spurs Horse Club

For youth ages 8-18 who are interested in horses; horse ownership is not required.

Meeting times and locations vary

Leaders: Bryan Hollewell, Melinda Merboth

Building Bricks Creator Club

Kids build with provided bricks to express creativity and complete engineering challenges.

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, March-May, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Thomson

Leaders: Kathy Book, Madison Krum

Carroll County Federation

A club for 12- to 18-year-olds that does fun activities and community service projects.

Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m., Mt. Carroll

Dog Care & Obedience

For youth ages 8-18 who are interested in dogs; dog ownership is not required.

Meets at Massbach Kennels in Mt. Carroll, days/times TBD

Leader: Justin Kehl

Feather Fiesta Poultry Club

For youth ages 8-18 who are interested in poultry; poultry ownership not required.

Meeting dates and times vary

Leader: Jen Geerts

Fusion 4-H Club Homeschool SPIN

Meets 1st Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., Savanna (intended for homeschooled youth but open to any child 5-18)

Leader: Lorie Kaatz

Happy Hoppers Rabbit Club

For youth ages 8-18 who are interested in rabbits; rabbit ownership is not required.

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month, 6 p.m., various locations

Leader: Jen Geerts

VOLUNTEER

Whether you have a little time or a lot, volunteering with 4-H makes a meaningful difference! By sharing your strengths, enthusiasm and time you can help youth explore and discover the skills they need to lead for a lifetime. There are many ways to get involved:

- Help lead a club
- Teach a skill or share your knowledge
- Judge projects
- Help with activities or programs
- Assist youth with their projects
- Volunteer at the 4-H Show
- Offer a farm or business tour

If you're ready to take the next step, contact your county's 4-H coordinator to learn more and make plans.