Colfax County

Impact At-A-Glance



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Nebraska Extension in Colfax County in collaboration with community partners is dedicated to growing tomorrow's agricultural leaders through engaging youth in agricultural learning opportunities such as the Agricultural Literacy Festival.



As schedules around school and outside commitments grow, our youth are distancing themselves from Nebraska agriculture. In 2024, Colfax County worked with Extension, Colfax County Schools, and community partners to reintroduce agriculture to area 3rd & 4th graders. Our mission, to acquaint area youth to local agriculture by connecting everyday used products (food, textiles, etc.) back to the farm. Corissa Hays, 4th grade instructor at Clarkson noted, "Students need to learn about farming and agriculture to gain a better understanding and appreciation." Brenda Allgood, Schuyler 3rd grade continued with, "It was a great resource for out students, since many don't have experience or an agricultural background."

\$800,000

Value of knowledge gained by crop producers who attended On-Farm Research meetings. 4,468

K-12 youth interactions made with Colfax County Extension Staff. Programs At-A-Glance

On-Farm Research: Twelve local growers participated in the Highboy Cover Crop Project (HiCCIP) to observe effects of residual nitrates, soil health, weed suppression and crop yield.

223

youth participated in Colfax County's first Ag Literacy Day providing agricultural education.