

4-H Equation

Empower youth to reach their full potential through youth-adult partnerships and research-based experiences.

Our Reason

YOUTH NEEDS

- Belonging
- Mastery
- Independence
- Generosity

Brendtro, L., Brokenleg, M., and Van Bockern, Steve (1992). Reclaiming Youth at Risk: Our Hope for the Future. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree.



Our Method

ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS

- Caring Adults
- Safe Environments
- Inclusive Settings
- Opportunities for
 - Mastery
 - Service
 - Self-Determination
 - Planning for the Future
 - Engaged Learning

National 4-H Headquarters (2001). Prepared and Engaged Youth: National 4-H Impact Assessment Project.

Our Mission

PRIORITY TOPICS

- Science
- Healthy Living
- Citizenship/Leadership
- Communication/Arts



Our Results

OUTCOMES*

- Productive Citizens
- Outstanding Communicators
- Effective Leaders
- Successful Learners



* Through long-term, sustained learning experiences that connect youth with Iowa State University's knowledge and research base