

2024 Special Agronomy Project *Sugar Beets*

The Nebraska Extension Special Agronomy Project gives 4-H members an opportunity to experience a crop that is grown, was grown or has the potential to be grown in Nebraska. Youth participate by receiving seed and resources to grow the crop, research traits of the crop and determine the viability of that crop in the part of the state they live. The project allows 4-H members interested in agronomy to grow something fun, new, and different.



In the the fourth year of the special agronomy project, youth will explore sugar beets. Sugarbeets are a major contributor to the U.S. sweetener industry and occur in a vast range of different food products.

4-H members enrolled in the Special Agronomy Project will:

- Receive a 'packet' of seeds (one packet per youth) in March/April
- Grow their seeds in their garden or pots
- Receive written resource materials
- Be eligible to enter an exhibit at both the County and/or State Fair in the agronomy project area:
 - G750011 - Special Agronomy Project - Educational Exhibit (SF259)
 - G750012 - Special Agronomy Project -Video Presentation
 - G750013 - Special Agronomy Project (Freshly Harvested Crop)

Enroll for the 2024 Special Agronomy Project through 4-H Online **by enrolling in the Agronomy project in 4-H Online** and contacting your local Nebraska Extension Office to order packets of seeds. The local Extension Office will order and distribute the seeds.

Contact Brandy VanDeWalle at brandy.vandewalle@unl.edu or 402.759.3712
or Aaron Nygren at anygren2@unl.edu or 402.624.8030

