



Nebraska Extension connects Gage County organizations through partnerships. With engaging lessons, 42 local college students taught over 50 hours of 4-H content to 93 BLAST elementary afterschool participants.

Cassidy a Southeast Community College student who volunteered at BLAST Learning League, taught about her passion of connecting agriculture to everyday items. Cassidy stated, “I’ve realized these kids are not very aware of agricultural processes that occur to get food to their plates, they thought stores make everything they sell. Seeing students start to put the pieces together is rewarding.” Cassidy experienced preparing a lesson and connected her learning from the program to her future career, “I could be faced with projects requiring me to be a leader, communicate, and use my strengths.”

Programs At-A-Glance

- The BHS Mini Mart was initiated to provide students access to non-perishable food items throughout the school year with donations over \$8,000 & expansion to the middle school.
- The Yard & Garden live radio show aired for 18 weeks on 99.5FM in 2023 to 4,500 listeners weekly, providing answers to 204 questions from 130 towns across Nebraska & Kansas.

\$7.76/acre

Value of anticipated practice changes by attendees at the Nebraska On-Farm Research Results meeting.

STRENGTHEN NEBRASKA AGRICULTURE & FOOD SYSTEMS

186

Private pesticide applicators trained in safe, responsible, and effective pesticide use.

INSPIRE NEBRASKANS & THEIR COMMUNITIES

\$30,061

Public value equivalent from 1,019 volunteer hours completed by Extension Master Gardener Volunteers

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