Eligibility

• Vet Camp: Grades 4-7

• Advanced Vet Camp: Grades 8-12

Registration

Registration will open May 1, 2023

- The programs are free with Fair admission, but limited spots are available per session.
- Registration can be done by visiting **iowastatefair.org/visit/kid-friendly-activities.** Follow the instructions under the Vet Camp & Advanced Vet Camp headings.

Registration deadline:

JUNE 1, 2023



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VET

Educational, exciting, hands-on learning programs about animals



Vet Camp

Vet Camp is an educational, exciting, hands-on learning program aimed at encouraging children to learn about animal health, welfare and what it's like to be an animal doctor. Vet Camp is a two-hour program focusing on both large and small animal veterinary medicine. Vet Camp is **FREE**, with paid Fair admission. Only 45 spots are available per session.

Vet Camp Dates

Thursday, August 10

- 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, August 12

- 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.







Advanced Vet Camp

Advanced Vet Camp is a two-hour program aimed at youth who would like to learn more about the field of veterinary medicine and have an interest in attending vet school. Advanced Vet Camp is **FREE**, with paid Fair admission. Only 45 spots are available per session.

Advanced Vet Camp Dates

Friday, August 11

- 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, August 13

• 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Vet Camp Stations

Are You Healthy?

Healthy animals is the goal of any farmer and veterinarian. Keeping animals healthy can be hard as diseases can spread in many different ways. In this station, you will learn how diseases are spread, ways to prevent disease transmission, and what you can do to keep your animals healthy!

Physical Exams

During veterinary physical exams, nine body systems are evaluated. In this station, you will learn what a physical exam consists of and how to restrain animals during examination. This station will be hands-on learning!

Eat This, Not That

Can dogs eat chocolate? Can cats eat pickles? Can horses eat candy? We all have our favorite foods, but can we share these with our pets? This station will answer your questions. You will learn what animals can and cannot have, what to do if they eat something they should not have, along with making a healthy treat for your pet to take home!





Advanced Vet Camp Stations

Dissecting to the Heart of It

Have you ever wanted to work with a real heart? This station gives you the opportunity to learn the different parts of the heart and their functions by dissecting a sheep or pig heart. You will learn just how similar a cow, dog, sheep or horse heart is to your own. With the fun and excitement of this station, your heart is sure to be racing!

Disease Transmission and Outbreak Investigation

Learn how zoonotic diseases spread on the farm and at exhibitions and what you can do to prevent it. You will practice basic epidemiologic methods to solve an outbreak. This will test your problem-solving skills.

Careers in Animal Health

There are many career paths in the field of animal health. In this station, you will learn about the vast opportunities this career path provides from animal production, to sales to veterinary medicine. Learn how specific courses in high school can assist you as you look at college. Also find out more about activities you can be involved in now that can help you down the road.