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Second annual Agronomy Youth Field Day August 9

CURTIS, Neb. – An agronomy day camp in Curtis will feature new hands-on activities in precision agriculture, crops, soil management and center pivot irrigation systems.

Youth ages nine to 14 years old and adults are invited to the 2nd annual Agronomy Youth Field Day at the campus of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture on August 9, said Kathy Burr, extension educator with Nebraska Extension – Frontier County.

"Activities will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the NCTA Campus," Burr said. "We will feature Nebraska crop production geared toward young audiences."

The program sponsored by Nebraska Extension and the college will be led by Brad Ramsdale, NCTA agronomy professor. Participants will gain important life skills while discovering the science behind producing Nebraska crops.

Educational sessions on science, agricultural literacy and technology will occur both in the morning and afternoon sessions. Burr said participants can attend the entire day or a half day. A free lunch will be provided to those attending all day.

"This event is a great opportunity for all youth to learn more about the agronomy industry, help students with life skills and prepare them for various projects and competitions," Burr added.

Youth will be able to apply science skills to their 4-H projects and explore careers related to agronomy.

Pre-registration is requested by August 4 to Nebraska Extension-Frontier County at 308-367-4424 or email kathy.burr@unl or psmith3@unl.edu. Online article: http://go.unl.edu/5tju.



NCTA agronomy professor gives a tour last spring to high school students interested in agronomy and science programs. (NCTA file photo)



Agronomy Youth Field Day



August 9, 2017-Wednesday 9:00am-12:00pm and/or 1:00-3:00 pm NCTA Ed Center, Curtis NE

Brad Ramsdale, NCTA agronomist, will help students discover the science behind producing crops in Nebraska.

Hands-on activities focusing on crop growth, soil management, precision farming, and center-pivot irrigation technology. New different activities.

Open to ALL youth ages 9 to 14 years old.

Parents/Adults welcome too.

Attend 1 session or both. Lunch provided.

Registration Deadline: August 4, 2017

Call or email the Nebraska Extension Office in Frontier County at (308) 367-4424 or psmith3@unl.edu to register