



CAM'S AG ACADEMY: ON THE ROAD MOFFAT COUNTY

PROJECT INTRODUCTION

This internship program promotes youth development in two ways. First, the agriculture-focused activities will foster youth development of agricultural literacy. Second, CAM's Ag Academy will provide the opportunity for youth to engage in non-formal agricultural education experiences meaningfully as peer educators and to increase leadership and communications skills, motivation, interest, and agriculture-related knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs to promote agricultural career aspirations.

INTERNSHIP GOALS

- To gain positive connections and relationships with the Moffat county fair board and the town
- Be able to see the participants recalling what they learned and putting that knowledge into action throughout the fair.
- Teach participants of all ages about agriculture through the scavenger hunt and Cam's classroom.

HOW DOES THIS APPLY TO YOUR EDUCATION

I am currently in the teacher development masters program at CSU. In May I graduated with a bachelors in Agriculture Literacy. I have spent four years studying how to include agriculture education outside of the four walls. After going through college these experieces allow me to put what I have learned into action. It also helps me gain an understanding for the teacher development side and how I can better my classroom when I reach it.

Moffat County Fair Programming

At the Moffat Co unty Fair CAM's Ag Academy ran 2 different programs from August 8th to August 10th.

Cams classroom:

Better Baa-lieve it
- This lesson was created by a CSU student which entails true or false questions that require the participants to answer what they think it correct.

Cattle Handling
- This lesson was also created by a CSU student. It provides and interactive activity that demonstrates how we should approach livestock appropriately

Pueblo Chili's
- The Pueblo Chili activity brought an insight into the famous chilis that are produced in Pueblo. There are crossword puzzles, math activities, and a coloring activity where we create Ristora's.

Scavenger Hunt
Throughout the fair Cam cutouts are placed with questions relating to agriculture or livestock seen within the fair. If participants complete the scavenger hunt they can return to say our oath and earn their Jr. Ag Ambassador badge



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

WHAT YOU LEARNED

The data provided below shows the impact ...

CAMS Classroom	Junior Ag Ambassadors
• 197 Participants	• 79 Participants
Scavenger hunt	• 69% Complete rate
• 114 Participants	
Youth Participation	
• 14 peer educators	
Observed outcomes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the sheep lesson, Better Baa-Lieve It, learners were encouraged to think of their own questions, giving them a chance to share their knowledge and be the teacher • Several families mentioned that the scavenger hunt was their favorite part of the county fair. There were many kids who came all three days to do the scavenger hunt and get multiple badges 	

Figure 1:
• Participants completing the oath to earn their Jr. Ag Ambassador badge

Figure 2 &3:
• Participants of all ages completing the Cam's classroom lesson (Cattle Handling)

NEXT STEPS

Next year, my hope is to have those who have returned from years before become active participants and volunteers within Cam's Classroom. I would also like to see the recognition from visitors of our booth and gain more relationships throughout the county.

