Nebraska’s Food Connection

Foods is a part of agriculture. Agriculture is the science of growing crops and raising livestock. National Agriculture Week celebrates the choices agriculture provides every day!

The ABC’s of GMOs

GMOs are Genetically Modified Organisms. Plant breeders take a desirable trait and transfer it from one plant to another to improve the plant’s characteristics.

A

AVAILABILITY

There are 10 GMO crops available today: alfalfa, apples, canola, corn (field and sweet), cotton, papaya, potatoes, soybeans, squash, and sugar beets.

B

BENEFITS

GMO crops provide benefits such as reducing the need to apply herbicides and pesticides and using fewer natural resources.

C

CARE

We all care about the safety of the food we eat. There is an overwhelming agreement of scientific experts who have done research and determined GMOs are safe to eat!

Food Safety – What Can I Do?

All food in the United States is safe – you don’t need a marketing label to feel like you are making the right decision.
Celebrate Agriculture!

Agriculture is the science of growing crops and raising livestock. And guess what? Agriculture is EVERYWHERE! National Agriculture Week celebrates the choices agriculture provides every day.

WHAT’S FOR LUNCH?

Check out the lunch menu. Circle whether the source is a crop or livestock.

- Chicken nuggets: CROP | LIVESTOCK
- Mashed potatoes: CROP | LIVESTOCK
- Carrots, lettuce, and tomatoes: CROP | LIVESTOCK
- Peaches: CROP | LIVESTOCK
- Milk: CROP | LIVESTOCK

MAKE THE CONNECTION

Match the items on the left to the crop or livestock they’re made from.

Ink
- Beef cow
- Football
- Soybeans
- Chalk
- Tambourine
- Corn
- Pigs

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CIRCLE THE WORDS THAT ARE INTERESTING TO YOU!

Did you circle at least one word? You sound interested in an agriculture career!

Explore careers and ways you can be involved in agriculture.

- Computers
- Numbers
- Technology
- Robots
- Designing
- Improving
- Research

- Building
- CROP
- SCIENTIST
- FARMER
- FIBER
- FOOD
- FUEL
- LIVESTOCK
- RANCHER

CROP
- SCIENTIST
- • Inspect crops and classify organisms.
- • Research crop management methods.

ENGINEER
- • Solve problems that are related to how farms work.
- • Communicate technical information to suppliers, contractors, or regulatory agents.