



## **Winneshiek County Team June 16, 2010**

Winneshiek County Food and Fitness team held a farm tour on June 16, 2010. The following people were in attendance (18): Rick Edwards, Deb Edwards, Randy Uhl, Brenda Balk, Brandon Friedlein, Ann Mansfield, Maddy Wise, Cole Ramsley, Joey Redman, Deborah Bishop, Jenny Werner, Pat Korzendorfer, Jerry Korzendorfer, Alma Meyer, Jannell Pavlovek, Ruth Hunter, Eric Nordschow, Jan Nordschow.

The tour started at the school gardens located at the Decorah Community High School. We then loaded into 2 vans from Northeast Iowa Community Action.

Our next stop was at Prairieview Vineyards. The Brian Nordschow family raises approx. 3 acres of grapes. Both wine and table grapes are grown. Brian gave us a tour and explained some of the challenges of raising grapes in northeast Iowa.

Our next stop was at G it's Fresh located south of Ridgeway. Glen Elsbernd gave us a tour of his organic vegetable farm. Glen raises a variety of organic vegetables on 20 acres. Glen also showed us some of the specialized equipment he uses for planting, weeding, and harvesting of his vegetables.

Submitted by Rick Edwards.