

YOUNG FARMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

JORIS & KATHERINE BOELEN

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GET TO KNOW THE BOELENS

Joris and Katherine live in Brooklyn, Iowa, in Poweshiek County, where they farm alongside Joris' dad. Together, they milk 1,800 Holsteins and farm 1,500 acres of land. They also raise a herd of about 75 meat goats. Each June, they host a popular open barn event called the Dairy Drive-Thru, welcoming the community to learn more about dairy farming. They're currently building a driveway farm stand where they plan to sell flowers, baked goods, and handmade crafts. Katherine has been active in the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau since January 2020. She began her service as board secretary and now serves as Vice President. In 2022, she completed the Ag Leaders program, further strengthening her leadership in agriculture. Joris and Katherine are also raising four children - James, Joanna, Kate, and Kassidy - who are growing up immersed in farm life.

