

# Models

## LaPorte County Mini 4-H



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# Mini 4-H Parent's Page

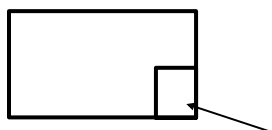
We welcome you and your child to the LaPorte County Mini 4-H program. Mini 4-H is for youth who are in kindergarten, first or second grade during the 4-H year (October 1-September 30). This program is designed to encourage positive development, give youth the opportunity to explore interests, practice small and large muscle control, and introduce you to the LaPorte County 4-H program.

As a Mini 4-H parent or guardian, please support your child through the activities in this handbook. Encourage and praise your child as they have fun learning and sharing with you. Please avoid completing activities for them. Learning by doing is the best educational tool that we can provide for youth.

Mini 4-H exhibition, held annually at the LaPorte County Fair, is an exciting time for all 4-H members, families and friends. It is a week that allows youth to showcase their talents, interests and enthusiasm for learning.

## Where Do I Begin?

1. Mini 4-H is open to any boy or girl who is enrolled in either kindergarten, first or second grade on January 1st of the current year.
2. Enroll your Mini 4-H youth on [v24honline.com](http://v24honline.com) and pay the annual \$5 program fee to be an active Mini 4-H member. Once registered, you will receive a bimonthly email bulletin keeping you informed of Mini 4-H and 4-H opportunities. Any questions can be answered by LaPorte County Purdue Extension at 219-324-9407.
3. Mini 4-H participants complete activities and projects found in this guide. Activities and projects are completed at home.
4. One (1) project from this handbook can be exhibited at the Mini 4-H exhibition. Please complete the Mini 4-H Exhibit tag and attach it to your project, as well as a record sheet (both are included in this manual). Watch your email for dates of exhibit check-in.
5. Some projects require a poster to exhibit. Following are **POSTER EXHIBIT guidelines**:
  - A. Stiff backing 14" high by 22" wide. (This can be cardboard or foam core board.)
  - B. Position poster board **HORIZONTALLY**.



Mini 4-H Exhibit Tag

# What Do the H's in 4-H Mean?

## Head, Heart, Hands, and Health

4-H Symbol: A four-leaf clover with an "H" on each leaf

4-H Colors: Green and White

4-H Motto: "To make the best, better!"



# 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,

I promise to use my head to make good choices.

my **HEART** to greater loyalty,

I promise to use my heart to be a good friend.

My **HANDS** to larger service,

I promise to use my hands to do helpful things for others.

And my **HEALTH** to better living,

I promise to take care of my body and to show others to live in a healthy way.

For my club, my community,

I promise to help my group, my community,

My country, and my world

# Mini 4-H Exhibition

This handbook introduces you to models. After you have tried the different activities pick one (1) to exhibit at the Mini 4-H Exhibition during the LaPorte County Fair.

## Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Project Options

“My Own Model” or

A model from a plastic snap together model kit purchased from the store (be sure to keep it appropriate for your age)

Completed Record Sheet

## Second Grade Project Options:

Shoebox Room Model” or

A model from a plastic snap together model kit purchased at a store (be sure to keep it appropriate for your age)

Emails and the biweekly 4-H bulletin will note the date and time for Mini 4-H exhibit check in. You may exhibit 1 project from this handbook. Remember to include the completed Record Sheet and Mini 4-H Exhibit Tag with your exhibit.

Your questions can be answered by calling Purdue Extension at 219-324-9407.

MINI 4-H EXHIBIT		
Project: (Circle One)		
Arts & Crafts	Bicycle Safety	Bugs
Collections	Cookie Decorating	
Farm Animals	Foods	Gardening
Little Peeps	Models	Nature/Plants/Trees
Pets	Recycling	Sewing
Sun, Stars & Space	Wearable Art	
NAME: _____		GRADE: _____

# Kindergarten & First Grade

## My Own Model

### Needed Materials:

- Glue
- Scissors
- Construction Materials (**Your Choice**) (Paper, sugar cubes, sticks, clay, toothpicks, popsicle sticks etc.)
- Newspaper or Plastic Cover
- Table or Flat Surface

### Directions:

Cover the table with newspaper or plastic and keep the area clean.

Keep your hands clean.

Make a model using 2 to 4 materials of your choice. Model should be **no larger than 12"**.

Clean up your work area and put all of your supplies away.

If this is your exhibit for the county fair, attach the County Tag.

# Kindergarten & First Grade

## Snap Together Model Kit (basic)

There are many types of models. Do not spend too much money for your kit, and be sure to find a kit that is not too hard for your age or experience. You want to enjoy making your model. Have an adult help you.

### **Needed Materials:**

- Snap Together Model Kit (Store Bought) **No larger than 12"**
- Table or Flat Surface
- Newspaper or Plastic Cover

### **Directions:**

Cover the table with newspaper or plastic and keep the area clean.

Keep your hands clean.

Lay all of your pieces out on the table. Look at the instructions and check to see if you have all of the parts.

Read the directions to the end.

Read the directions again, and follow each step. Snap together your model.

Clean up your work area and put all of your supplies away.

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# Second Grade

## Shoebox Room Model

### **Needed Materials:**

- Shoebox
- Pencil
- Markers, Paint or Colored Pencils
- Scissors
- Glue
- Construction Materials (**Your Choice**) (Paper, toothpicks, sticks, cloth, clay, popsicle sticks, cardboard, etc.)

### **Directions:**

Pick a room in your house. Look around the room carefully to see what it contains.

Find a working space to keep all of your project supplies.

Make a model of the room with the materials of your choice. Make it small enough to fit inside a shoebox.

Make furniture, chairs, rugs, etc. (You do not need to make the really small items in the room.)

Clean up your work area and put all of your supplies away.

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# Second Grade

## Snap Together Model Kit

There are many types of models. Do not spend too much money for your kit, and be sure to find a kit that is not too hard for your age or experience. You want to enjoy making your model. Have an adult help you. If you did the Snap Together Model Kit for an exhibit in first grade, pick a different one to do this year. You have now started a simple collection of models!

### **Needed Materials:**

- Model Kit (Store Bought) **No larger than 12"**.
- Model Glue/Model Paint
- Newspaper or Plastic Cover
- Table or Flat Surface

### **Directions:**

Cover the table or work area with newspaper and keep the area clean.

Keep your hands clean.

Read the directions in your kit before beginning to build. Make sure all pieces are there.

Make sure the numbers on your pieces match the directions you are reading.

Do not unsnap pieces that are attached until you are ready to use them. They will get lost!

Wipe any extra glue or paint off before it dries.

Clean up your work area.

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# Toolbox Word Search



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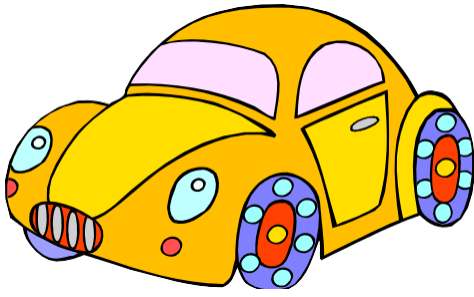
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# Mini 4-H Model Record Sheet

I used \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to make my model.

What could you find around the house to  
make a model? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

I learned \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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