

# Friday 4-H Nugget



## Happy New Year!

We had originally typed out our 2021 welcome message earlier this week. We want to take a moment to acknowledge that this year has not started out on a positive note. Our Nation's Capitol was breached; there is unrest within our world and COVID-19 spread is very prominent. Having conversations about what happened can be difficult as it weighs heavy on our minds and hearts. Yet our youth and nation are resilient. 4-H is more important than ever right now as we continue to equip youth with the skills they need to become stewards of civility, leadership, community and much more.

The new year is underway and so are 4-H meetings and events! We hosted our first ever Gingerbread Construction Challenge and will be hosting a virtual escape room this month. Many of our clubs have been meeting in person or virtually depending on the size of the club. Be sure to attend meetings to get the most that you can out of your 4-H Experience!

Don't forget that our enrollment period is from October 1 to January 15. You need to complete your enrollment every year. Be sure to check out the article below for more tips. If you have any questions please reach out to our office by calling 574.533.0554.

All the best,

Robby Kelly, Sthele Greybar, & Anna Balas  
Extension Educators

## Enroll by January 15th

Our enrollment period is October 1 to January 15. Do you know when your first club meeting is? Our office staff can assist - just call 574.533.0554. Be sure to enroll now to get the most benefit from your 4-H Experience. Click [here](#) to be directed to the new 4-HOnline website.

## 4-H Enrollment is OPEN!

You can sign up at:  
[v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com)

Volunteers will need to complete the Youth Safety Child abuse training when they enroll this year. Be sure not to have your pop up blocker on. We will also have one more face to face training on January 19, 2020 @ 6:30 PM- Call our office to reserve your spot.

### Can You Escape?

Join the 4-H Escape Room Virtual Experience! Participants will be sent challenges in January where they will use problem-solving skills and complete puzzles to escape. This experience will take place entirely online, at your own pace, from **January 19-28**. The three divisions are by grade level: 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. Participants who complete all puzzles will be entered to win a prize. A mission briefing (informational meeting) will be on Zoom Monday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 pm and will be recorded for later viewing. Register [here](#).



## New 4-H Families: Save the Date! Welcome to Elkhart County 4-H!

1st and 2nd year families are invited to join us for a virtual orientation to the Elkhart County 4-H Program. You will meet the 4-H Extension Educators, learn basics about clubs and projects, and have a chance to ask questions.

**January 25th at 6:30pm**

**February 11th at 6:30pm**

*1st and 2nd year families will receive an email with the Zoom link to these events next week.*

### 4-H Performing Arts Contest Results

*(Top 3 Advance to Area)*

Grand Champ: **Julia Koch**

Res. Grand Champ: **Reagan Koble**

3rd Place Overall: **Poppy Dee Kendall**

Group Act:

Jr. Div. Champ: **Olympus Heroes Project**

Musical Act:

Clover Div. Champ: **Poppy Dee Kendall**

Jr. Div. Champ: **Misty Grubbs**

Sr. Div. Champ: **Julia Koch**

Non-Musical Act:

Jr. Div. Champ: **Chad Renner**

Sr. Div. Champ: **Regan Koble**

4-H Demonstrations Results:

Jr. Div Champ: **Olympus Heroes Project**

Sr. Div. Champ:: **Samantha Markham**



Maya Narayan, Singing

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

All Performing Arts acts can be viewed by clicking [here](#).



**Gingerbread Construction Winners**

Congratulations to our Gingerbread Construction Challenge contest winners: Natalie G., Shannon P., and Brayden G

We loved everyone's gingerbread creations!

**Scholarships are Due Jan 25th!**

10th-12th grade 4-H Members are encouraged to apply for [these](#) scholarships. Reach out to the Educators if you have questions or want them to review your application.

[December College and Career Readiness Workshop Recording](#)

[Elkhart County Scholarship Help Guide](#)

[Elkhart County Scholarship Packet](#)



**Teens as Teachers**

Calling all 8-12 grade 4-H members! We are starting to recruit members for our Teens as Teachers program. This is a great way to build your skills in teaching, public speaking and teamwork. Check out [the flyer](#) and if you are interested in any of those

# TEENS AS TEACHERS 2021

Save the Date!



topics let Robert Kelly know.

Indiana 4-H Teens as Teachers 2021 offered via a hybrid/virtual concept including:

- Orientation webinars via Zoom:
  - February 9, 16, and 23 7:00-8:00pm (EST)
- Track content:
  - February 27, 10:00am-12:30pm (EST)
- Open to youth grades 8-11
- \$35/youth, 1 adult mentor/team at no cost
- Registration due via 4-H Online by February 2 - contact your 4-H Educator for registration

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