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Allen County Indiana 4-H

2019 4-H Exhibition Enrollment Dates:

October 1, 2018 – May 15, 2019

4HOnline enrollment & payment of
program fees is due by May 15, 2019.

If you enroll May 1-15 you must use major credit card
for payment.

Note: Some animal projects have an earlier deadline.

Fair Entry will open June 1-28, 2019.

You must complete to exhibit at the Allen County Fair
or Indiana State Fair.

Good News!

The 4-H Board voted to eliminate the county program fee of \$10.00 for 2019. The State program fee of \$15.00 per youth is still in effect for youth in Grade 3-12. Our 4-H Board will revisit this decision each year.

2019 Allen County 4-H Calendars

Fresh off the press! We have 2019 Allen County 4-H calendars available at the office. These full color calendars are chock-full of photos of Allen County 4-H members in action throughout the year and include important 4-H dates each month. Calendars cost \$8 each and all proceeds go to Allen County 4-H Clubs. Remember – calendars make perfect gifts, so get yours soon!



Cancellation Policy



All 4-H meetings and activities will be cancelled if the Fort Wayne Community School Corporation is closed due to bad weather. If in doubt, watch/listen to TV and radio outlets.

Mark Your Calendar!

We will hold an all-county 4-H meeting on Sunday, January 13 from 1-4 pm in the Walb Classic Ballroom on the Purdue Fort Wayne Campus. Clubs will meet briefly, Samm and Barb will give some 4-H updates, and then we will have time to play board games and visit with 4-H friends. Please plan to bring a few of your favorite board or card games as well as a store-bought snack to share. **Snacks must be store-bought and pre-packaged.** We hope that this will become an annual event where 4-H members and volunteers from across the county have the opportunity to interact with people from all clubs.

Parents & Alumni Volunteers Needed-Anyone Can Volunteer!

As we evaluate our past 4-H year and plan for a new one, we anticipate the need for more 4-H volunteers in 2019. If you have some time to donate to work with your child and/or other children in Allen County, please consider becoming a 4-H volunteer. We have openings as 4-H Community Club Leaders, Project Leaders, Resource Leaders and SPARK Club Leaders. We also need people to serve on Boards and Committees and to assist with Fair events. Please contact the County Extension Office. We would be happy to discuss with you further opportunities for you to volunteer with the Allen County 4-H Program. There are areas in Fort Wayne and Allen County where we do not have 4-H Community Clubs and we would certainly like to offer 4-H if volunteers are available to work with members.

Global Gateway Experience

Do you have an interest in learning about Citizenship and the global hunger issue? There is an opportunity for Allen County 4-H members (grade 7-12) to get involved and learn more by attending the Global Gateway Experience at the Heifer Ranch in Perryville, Arkansas, April 11-15, 2019 (Thursday evening-Monday evening).

The Global Gateway Experience includes a Global Village in which youth will see recreated urban slums, bamboo huts, shanties, refugee camps, and more. The Heifer Ranch creates an experience in which nothing-shelter, food, water or cooking fuel-can be taken for granted. Participants will understand global hunger through a number of exercises and prepare a meal with limited resources while staying in the Global Village.

4-H Members will stay in the Heifer Hilton for the first and third nights (bunk bed style housing in a barn with the animals below) and in one of the Global Villages houses on the second night. Allen County can send one (1) team.

The registration fee for the experience is \$185.00. Youth will need to pay a \$40.00 deposit plus the cost of meals on the trip to/from Arkansas. Transportation by charter bus will be provided and is sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America and Indiana 4-H Youth Development. Youth must submit an application as this trip is limited. Allen County can send one (1) team of 4 youth and 1 adult on this trip. Applications are available from the Allen County Extension office are due by December 1. Please contact Barb Thuma if you have further questions.



WANTED: Volunteer Mentors

If you are interested in serving as a mentor for a new 4-H volunteer, please contact Samm at 260-481-6826 or sammjohnson@purdue.edu. This is something new we are trying and would be a very limited time commitment. Thanks for considering this request.

Allen County 4-H Board Members

The following are the newly elected officers and members of the Allen County 4-H Board of Directors. This group meets monthly to oversee the 4-H Program in Allen County.

President: Shawn Parker

Vice President: Kurt Van Horn

Treasurer: Jacob Taylor

Secretary: Ashley Lewis

Directors: Stephanie Bailey, Annette Buchanan, Liz Chmiel, Rachel Hammond, Jason Howard, Tyler Olinske, Erin Roembke, Chris Turpchinoff

Junior Leader Liaison:

Adult Volunteer Liaison: Marijane Crowe

Youth Representative: Aric Bradtmueller

Thanks to the following outgoing Board members who completed their terms: Roger Clark, Donna Dafforn, Kim Smith and William Edwards.

Please Share Your Email Notices

The email you entered in your family profile in the 4HOnline system is the email we use to send newsletters and other important information. Please share these newsletters with everyone in your household so no one is left out. Double check to make sure the email you provided in 4HOnline is one you regularly check.

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Teens as Teachers Conference: February 8-10, 2019

Are you interested in Biotechnology, Animal Biosecurity, Teen Leadership or Healthy Living? Then the Teens as Teachers Conference may be for you!!

This conference offers four track options for teams of 3-5 youth and 1 adult. It will be held for 3 days, 2 nights at Bradford Woods, Martinsville IN.

Biotechnology: Enjoy Science? Like to see how things work? Thinking about a career in teaching? Then this track is for you! During this training, teens in Grades 9-12 will learn how to train, create and implement a 'Science Behind Agriculture' program in their community.

Animal Biosecurity: Ever wondered why people and pigs can develop the same sickness? Did you give your pig a flu shot and wonder why? Do you just enjoy learning about science and animals? If yes, then this track is for you! During this workshop, teams will learn how to train, create, and implement an influenza prevention program in their community. This is for youth currently in Grades 9-12.

Healthy Living: Do you lead a healthy lifestyle-eat healthy, incorporate physical activity, find ways to manage stress? Do you like teaching others about a healthy lifestyle? If so, then this session is for you! During the training, teens in Grades 9-12 will learn how to train, create and implement healthy living programs (such as nutrition, physical activity, and social/emotional health) in their community.

Teen Leadership: Teens will learn to lead community based activities designed to help their peers develop leadership life skills, leading to enhanced workforce preparation. This is for youth currently in Grades 9-12.

Contact Barb Thuma if you are interested in participating. bthuma@purdue.edu or call 481-6432. Teams MUST be made up of a minimum of 3 youth/maximum of 5 youth with one [1] 4-H Adult Volunteer.



Learn more about how we're empowering young people in your community with skills to lead for a lifetime. Visit 4-H.org

SPARK Clubs

These are hands-on educational workshops for youth in grades 3-12 designed to SPARK interest in various fields. Youth do not have to be 4-H members to register to participate in a SPARK Club, but will become 4-H members with their payment of the \$15.00 annual program fee. Youth may choose to register for any and all SPARK Clubs they find interesting. Happy Learning!

NEEDLE LACE - December 17 & 18 from 6-9 pm. \$10.00 Supply Fee. Space is limited so RSVP by December 7.

STRATEGY GAMES - December 17 & 18 from 6-9 pm. \$15.00 supplies fee. Space is limited so RSVP by December 7.

If you have ideas for a SPARK Club, please let us know and we will work to try to make it happen!





4-H Scholarships

It's that time of year again! Time to start thinking about scholarships. Scholarship application forms, information, and instructions on applying via 4HOnline are available at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/scholarships.aspx>. Questions? Call Samm at 260.481.6826.

Scholarships available include:

4-H Accomplishment Scholarships

Available to 4-H members in grade 10-12 and the year immediately following high school graduation. Selection is based on the member's life skill development resulting from their 4-H participation. Awards range from \$1,000.00-\$2,000.00. Categories include Animal Science; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; Plant and Environmental Science; Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

4-H Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University, as a freshman or transfer student, majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors, listed on the application, in the College of Health and Human Sciences. Selection is based on the member's overall 4-H achievement and financial need as determined by Purdue's Division of Financial Aid.

In order to apply applications must have their FAFSA on file by March 1st. (Reminder: The scholarship is due January 25th). In order to access the Federal Student Aid website an FSA ID (username and password) will need to be created. Students and parents must make their own FSA IDs. For more information about the FSA ID, tips and resources to help with creating an FSA ID, and a link to create an FSA ID, please visit StudentAid.gov/fsaid.

4-H Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school. Selection is based on the member's overall 4-H achievement. Awards range from \$250.00-\$1,000.00.

Laurenz Greene Memorial Excellence in 4-H Horticulture Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture pursuing an undergraduate degree in Horticulture, Turf Management and Science, Sustainable Food and Farming Systems or Landscape Architecture. Applicants must have studied at least four years horticulture and/or plant science related subject matter/project through Indiana 4-H Youth Development. Selection is based on the member's overall 4-H achievement.

FarmHouse Fraternity Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship is sponsored by The Purdue FarmHouse Foundation for FarmHouse Fraternity and is restricted to an Indiana 4-H member who will be a freshman at Purdue University. Indiana 4-H youth development staff do not review applications and are not involved in the selection process.

4-H Forestry Judging Team

Congratulations to the 4-H Junior Forestry Judging team of Shelby Hale, Holly Howard and Nick Shirey. They placed 4th out of 12 Junior Teams at the Area Contest held November 12, 2018. Placing in the Top 10 as Individual were Holly Howard—1st and Nick Shirey — 9th.

SHOOTING SPORTS

Hunter Education Class

Allen County 4-H Clubs will be hosting a session of the Hunter Education Class in January/February 2019. The class will be held at the Purdue Extension-Allen County Office on January 26 and February 2, 2019. Participants MUST attend both days. The time is 8 AM-3:30 PM. This is a FREE two day class taught by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. This class is open to youth and adults. Anyone age 11 or younger MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Anyone born after December 31, 1986 is required to be certified in Hunter Education before they can purchase a hunting license. To register go to www.in.gov/dnr/lawenfor/. Click on Education Classes and Register. This class is limited to the first 45 who have registered. The link may not be active until early December.

Air Rifle Program: January–March 2019

This program is for all youth in Grades 3-12. They will meet on Tuesday evenings at the Hoagland Pavilion, Hoagland IN from 6:30-7:30 PM. Cost is \$30.00 which includes the State 4-H Program Fee. This class will meet for ten sessions: January 8 - March 12, 2019. Deadline for registration and payment is January 2, 2019. Minimum of 4, maximum of 12 for this class. Registration flyer is on the 4-H website.

.22 Rifle Program: January-March 2019

This program is for all youth in Grades 4-12. They will meet on Wednesday evenings at the Concordia Lutheran High School Shooting Range, Fort Wayne IN. Time is 6:30-8:30 PM. Cost is \$50.00 which includes the State 4-H Program Fee. This class will meet for ten sessions: January 16 - March 20, 2019. Deadline for registration and payment is January 5, 2019. Minimum of 15, maximum of 30 for this class. Registration flyer is on the 4-H website.

HORSE & PONY



4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team

Do you want to learn more about horses and judging them? Then the 4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team may be for you. You do NOT need to own a horse or even know much about horses to join this group. You will LEARN! This is for youth currently in Grades 3-12.

Their first meeting will be on January 6, 2019 at the Extension Office from 3-6 pm. They normally meet on Sunday afternoons from January–April. The coaches are Lisa Didion and Jacob Taylor, 4-H Volunteers. Lisa's contact information is 260-740-8313 or email lisagdidion.id@gmail.com. Please contact her for more details and information.



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

LIVESTOCK

2019 Animal Deadlines

PLEASE - Please, try to complete all enrollment in animal projects by January 15. We send information electronically to youth enrolled in specific 4-H projects. We cannot send you the information if you have NOT enrolled in that specific project. This will be important information on ID dates, 4honline deadlines, etc.

Sample paperwork will be available at all TAGGING/ID events. They will occur in the Lion's Barn on the Allen County Fairgrounds. Premise ID numbers will also be required to complete 4honline ID.

February 9	TAGGING/ID for ALL - Beef Heifers & Steers, Dairy Beef Steers (Snow Date February 16, 2019)	8:00–10:00 a.m.
April 1	4hOnline Deadline for ID of all Beef Steers & Dairy Beef Steers	
April 13	TAGGING/ID – ALL Dairy Beef FEEDER Calves	8:00–10:00 a.m.
April 25	TAGGING/ID – ALL Sheep and All Goats	5:30-8:30 pm
May 15	4hOnline Deadline for ID of All Beef Heifers and Junior Calves, Dairy Beef Feeder Calves, Horse & Pony, Llama, Sheep, Swine. Also Project Add & Drop.	
June 28	Activity Sheets due to the Extension Office NOTE DATE	By 4:30 pm
June 28	Fair Entry done on line (what I am Exhibiting at the County Fair)	By 11:59 pm

Upcoming Workshops

These workshops will focus on completing some activities in the Project Activity Sheets. More information provided as it becomes available.

By attending workshops, 4-H members gain knowledge of projects, and build friendships with fellow 4-H'ers and leaders. These workshops are open to all 4-H members.

2019 4-H Livestock Important Dates		
Project	Date & Time	Location
Dairy Goat	February 7, 6-7:30 PM	TBD
Poultry Workshop	February 28, 6:30-8 PM	County Extension Office
Swine Workshop	March 12, 6:30 PM	County Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop	March 18, 7 PM	County Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop	April 25, 7:00 PM	County Extension Office
Sheep Workshop	May 9, 6:30 PM	Howard's
Rabbit Workshop	May 16, 7:00 PM	McComb Bldg, Fairgrounds
Goat Performance and Fun Class Workshop	May 19, 2-4 PM	Fairgrounds
Swine Workshop	June 10, 7 PM	TBD
Meat Goat Workshop-Showmanship	June 15, 10 AM	Steve Clark Farm
Rabbit Workshop & Tattoo	June 17, 7 PM	County Extension Office
Dairy Goat Workshop-Fair Prep & Showmanship	June 27, 6-8 PM	Showbarn, Fairgrounds
Poultry Workshop & Blood Testing	June 29, 9-11 AM	Swine Barn, Fairgrounds

Llama

If anyone is interested in participating in the 4-H Llama project in 2019, please call the office NOW and ask for additional information, and to have your name put on the list. There are several Llama Farms, and some of them are accepting new members. You do NOT need to own a llama to participate. Many 4-H members use the Llamas owned by the 4-H Leaders.

Llama Farms meet at different locations and times. There will be a Llama Call out Meeting on February 17, 2019, at 3:00 PM at the Extension Office. However, if you think you might be interested for 2019, please call the Extension Office now.

JUNIOR LEADERS

**Next Meeting-November 27 at 7 pm @ CEO
7th - 12th Graders Plan to attend and bring a
friend!**

4-H VOLUNTEERS

Please help spread the word about our 4-H Game Day on January 13 from 1-4 pm at the Walb Classic Ballroom on the Purdue Fort Wayne Campus.

Keep your eyes peeled for information coming soon about the area 4-H Volunteer Boot Camp on January 31, 6-8:30pm!

SUPPORT PURDUE EXTENSION

Support the Extension Office: You can order Poinsettias for the Holidays. Attached is a file to place your order. Orders due by Noon on November 21, 2018 with payment. Pick up on December 5 from 3-6 PM or December 6 from 8 AM to 4:30 PM at the Extension Office.

COUNTY FAIR



2019 FAIR DATES

July 23-28, with the Auction on July 29

Other Extension Office Events

Horticulture Educational Programs

**Evergreen Swag Workshop - December 10, 6 pm
\$30.00 Cost**

Amy Oliver, Landscape Designer at Arbor Farms Nursery will help you put together the fragrant tips of noble fir and cedar to create fresh holiday swag. The swag will also incorporate accents such as pine cones, berries, a decorative bow and more for a nice seasonal touch. Deadline is Monday, December 3, This class fills fast.

Interested in taking the Master Gardener Class? Contact the Office at 481-6826

Health & Human Sciences Educational Programs

December 6, 1:00 PM "Downsizing Your Financial Maze"
January 9, 1:00 PM "Who Am I?"

**Events Open to the Public
Call the Office to Pre-Register**

**"Family Favorites" Cookbook \$15.00 each
Extension Homemaker History Books \$12.00
Available at the Extension Office.**

Check out the website www.extension.purdue.edu/allen for complete details.

CALENDAR

CEO = County Extension Office

FGs = Fairgrounds

November 2018

- 14 Horse & Pony Leaders Meeting, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 22-23 Office Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday Break**
- 27 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm CEO

December 2018

- 3 Extension Board Annual Meeting 6:30 @ CEO
- 4 4-H Board Meeting, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 6 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 11 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 24 & 25 Office Closed – Christmas Holiday**

January 2019

- 1 Office Closed – Happy New Year**
- 3 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 8 4-H Board Meeting, 7:00 @ CEO
- 13 All County 4-H Meeting, 1 pm @ Walb Classic Ballroom, PFW
- 15 **4-H Volunteer Enrollments Due Online**
- 15-17 Fort Wayne Farm Show – Coliseum
- 15 Horse & Pony Leaders Meeting, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 21 Office Closed – Martin Luther King Jr Holiday
- 25 Scholarship Apps Deadline 11:59 pm Online
- 26 Hunter Education Class – Pre Register Required
- 29 Jr Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 31 4-H Volunteer Boot Camp, 6 pm @ FG's-Pre-registration required

February 2018

- 2 Hunter Education Class – Pre Register Required
- 5 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 7 Dairy Goat Workshop, 6-7:30 pm TBD
- 9 Beef & Dairy Beef Cattle Weigh in, 8-10 am @ FG's
- 16 Beef & Dairy Beef cattle Weigh in SNOW DATE
- 17 Llama Leaders, 1:30 pm, CEO
- 17 Llama Call Out Meeting 3:00 pm, CEO
- 18 Swine Committee 7 pm @ FG's
- 19 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 26 Jr Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 28 Poultry Workshop, 6:30 pm @ CEO

March 2019

- 5 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 7 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 11 Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting, 7 pm @ CEO
- 12 Swine Workshop, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 15 4-H Recognition Theme Design Due, 4:30 CEO
- 18 Rabbit Workshop, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 19 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 26 Junior Leaders Meeting, 7 pm @ CEO
- 31 4-H Plant Sale Orders Due, CEO**

April 2019

- 2 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 4 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 5-7 Hoosier Horse Fair
- 13 Dairy Beef Feeder Calf Weigh in, 8-10 am @ FG's
- 16 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 25 Rabbit Workshop, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 25 Sheep & Goat ID, 6-8 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 26 Area 4-H/FFA Livestock & Dairy Judging Contest
- 30 Junior Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO

May 2019

- 2 Robotics, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 6 Swine Committee, 7 pm @ FG's, McComb Bldg
- 7 4-H Board Meeting, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 9 4-H Plant Sale Pick up 5-8 pm @ Fairgrounds**
- 9 Sheep Workshop, 6:30 pm @ Howard's
- 10 4-H Plant Sale Pick up 9-12 Noon @ Fairgrounds**
- 11 State Horse Judging Contest
- 15 Livestock ID Due ONLINE**
- 15 Horse ID Sheets Due ONLINE**
- 15 Project Add/Drop Deadline ONLINE**
- 15 4-H Enrollments Due Online**
- 16 Rabbit Workshop, 7:00 pm @ FG's
- 18 State Poultry & Livestock Contest
- 19 Goat Performance & Fun Day Workshop, 2-4 pm @ FG's
- 21 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ FG's
- 27 Office Closed – Memorial Day
- 28 Jr. Leaders Mtg, 7 pm @ TBA

June 2019

- 4 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 5 State Dairy CDE Judging Contest
- 6 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 10 Swine Workshop, 7 PM TBD
- 12-14 4-H Academy @ Purdue
- 15 Meat Goat Workshop, 10 AM @ Steve Clark Farm
- 17 Rabbit Tattoo Event, 7 pm @ CEO
- 18 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 18-21 State Junior Leader Conference
- 24-26 Purdue Round Up, Purdue University
- 25 Jr Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 27 Dairy Goat Workshop 6-8 PM @ FG's
- 28 Activity Manuals/Sheets DUE, 4:30 pm CEO**
- 28 Fair Entry Due on line, 11:59 pm**
- 29 Poultry Blood Testing 9 AM @ FGs
- 29-July 6 Citizenship Washington Focus Trip

Subject to change