



4-H TODAY

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4-H Enrollment Coming to a Close

We are excited for another great year and are preparing to make our program better than ever. 4-H enrollment is coming to a close and 4-H clubs and projects will soon start hosting meetings. The 4-H enrollment deadline is **January 15, 2019**. Please **DO NOT wait until the last minute to enroll**. After January 15, you can enroll through the local Extension Office.

To enroll online, simply go to <https://in.4honline.com>. Log back in to your previously created profile and enroll for the new year! If you have any questions about this process, please contact our office at 219-285-8620 x 2800.

Newton County 4-H is open to all youth in grades 2-12. New members are welcome to join at any time!

4-H Scholarships—Due to 4HOnline January 25

Are you a high school 4-H member getting your post-high school educational plans together? Don't forget about your 4-H experiences...you could be eligible for a number of scholarships!

The following scholarships are available:

1. **4-H Accomplishment.** Includes an application within a 4-H project area, a cover letter, a resume, and an on-campus interview for those whose applications are selected.
2. **4-H Club.** For seniors enrolling at Purdue in the College of Agriculture or one of the following majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences; Apparel Design and Technology, Dietetics, Developmental and Family Science, Early Childhood Education and Exceptional Needs, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, Environmental Health Science, Financial Counseling and Planning, Foods and Nutrition, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Human Services, Nutrition Science, Retail Management, or Selling and Sales Management. Must have your FAFSA application on file by March 1, 2019.
3. **4-H Foundation.** For seniors enrolled in 4-H, based on 4-H record and application.
4. Locally, **3 Newton County 4-H Council Scholarships** are available: One to a North Newton-area 4-Her, one to a South Newton-area 4-Her, and one to a non-Newton County Schools 4-Her.

You can find applications on our website at www.extension.purdue.edu/newton. All applications are to be uploaded to your 4Honline profile by January 25, 2019, except the 4-H Council scholarship, which is due to the Extension Office by Feb 1.

Contact Us

Interested in learning more about what we do?

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2019 Livestock ID Info

All livestock enrollment information will again be done through the <https://in.4honline.com> website (except Rabbits and Poultry). Animal registration dates are the same: April 1 for Steer (Beef and Dairy Beef) and May 15 for all other livestock. This is your responsibility as a member to get this information entered. *State Fair 4-H animal ID requirements for 2019 will be available soon.*

Beef/Dairy Weigh-In and Tagging Workshop

The date for the Beef & Dairy Weigh-In and Tagging will be determined soon. Scales will be set up to help you get your cattle weighed and tagged and we will give you paperwork necessary to go online and enter the information. Please contact your Superintendents (Wade Berenda -219-474-9406 for Beef) , (Jen Hayworth 765-491-5689) or (David Hoaks 219-819-2022) for Dairy, if you have any questions prior to the tagging.

YQCA Certification Requirement

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21. The program is designed to provide an estimated 60 minutes of education each year. The online program requires the passing of a series of three quizzes to earn certification. An in-person YQCA workshop requires complete attendance.

YQCA is designed as an annual education and certification program focused on food safety, animal well-being and character awareness for youth ages 8 to 21 producing and/or showing pigs, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits, and poultry.

All 4-H members in Newton County participating in Livestock projects will be required to attend an in-person training or an online course before exhibition at the fair. More information will be made available soon.

Calling all 4-H Members and Volunteers!

On Saturday, January 12 from 9am – 12pm, the Junior Leaders will be hosting a 4-H Project Open House at the Newton County Government Center. This event is open to both new and returning members. All participants can expect to enroll in 4-H, browse examples of past projects, and chat with current members and volunteers. If you would like to display old projects or assist with the event in any way, please contact the Extension Office by Friday, January 11 with your intention to participate!

“4-H Grows Here” Yard Signs Available!

Yard signs are available for you to help recruit for 4-H. A few Spanish versions are also available. Please let us know if you would like one to display in your yard during our enrollment period.

4-H Trips and Workshop Opportunities - Don't Miss Out

Some of the perks of 4-H membership are the opportunities to spread your wings and try new experiences with other 4-Hers from across Indiana. Except for International Programs and Citizenship Washington, Newton County 4-H Council will contribute 50% of the event cost to the FIRST 5 4-H members to sign up, and 40% after that. 4-Hers are expected to pay the remainder.

Visit our website for more details www.extension.purdue.edu/newton. Ask your club leader, older 4-H members, or call us at the Extension Office if you have any questions!

Club Annual Reports and Financial Info Due Soon

In early January, the required annual Club Report and Financial Info forms will be mailed to one leader per club or project. The club secretary can complete the Club Report, basically a summary of the year's accomplishments. The Treasurer can help complete the 2-page Financial Report. **All reports MUST be returned to the Extension Office by February 1.**

Please Note

The Fair Board requests that 4-H livestock superintendents and a representative from 4-H Council attend the January 7 Fair Board meeting at 7:00 pm at the Connell Building at the fairgrounds. Release time of projects will be discussed at this meeting.