



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, 2020. 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 K-12. New members are welcome to join at any time!

Hello!

In case you haven't seen the announcement, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Dallas Howard, and I am the new 4-H Extension Educator for Newton County. I grew up in Roselawn and graduated from North Newton Jr./Sr. High School in 2007 before going on to Purdue University to earn my B.A. in English and Creative Writing and then Purdue Global to earn my M.S. in Higher Education Student Affairs. I am married to my high school sweetheart, Kyla, and we have two cats, Kinx and Layla.

I am very excited to be back working in a community that has had such an impact in my life, and I am looking forward to working with all of you to make this a great year for 4-H in Newton County. Together, we can have an amazing impact in the lives of the youth and families in our community!

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to the extension office.

Best wishes,

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4-H Camp Counselor Application

Have you had a positive experience in 4-H and want to help younger members enjoy their involvement in the program? Consider being a 4-H Camp Counselor! Counselors must be enrolled in grades 9-12 and be willing to help 3rd through 6th graders have a fun and safe stay at 4-H Camp. This year's camp will be held June 3-5 at Camp Tecumseh. You need to apply before January 10. Contact the Extension Office for an application.

January Leader's Meeting

Be on the lookout for a postcard invitation for a leaders meeting to be held during the week of January 13th (official date TBD). The meeting will be kept as brief as possible and will give me a chance to introduce myself to everyone and get a better understanding of the needs of the leaders and the 4-H program in Newton County as a whole.

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, 2020.
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, 2020, except the 4-H Council scholarship, which is due to the Extension Office by Feb 1.

2020 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. For complete animal identification requirements see page 4.

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!

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.

Beef/Dairy Weigh-In and Tagging Workshop

The beef/dairy weigh-in and tagging will be from 9:00am to 12:00pm Saturday, February 29th at the fairgrounds. The beef and noodle fundraising dinner will follow that evening from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the Brook United Methodist Church. 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, Mandi Vanderwall: 219-616-1521 for Dairy), if you have any questions prior to the tagging.

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.**

"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.

2020 Indiana 4-H Animal Identification



The following table lists the different animal species and the respective form of identification that is required for a 4-H member to be eligible to show in the 4-H livestock shows at the 2020 Indiana State Fair. The animal ID information must be entered in the Indiana 4HOnline enrollment system by the respective deadlines. Missing, incomplete or incorrect animal ID information could result in state fair ineligibility for that particular animal.

	For State Fair	Max # to Enroll	Deadline
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 Total steers	April 1
Commercial and Market Heifers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 total heifer s	May 15
Beef, Registered Heifers	840-RFID tag and Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	10 total heifers	May 15
Dairy Cattle	840-RFID tag and animal's registered name and registration number (or dam's registration number)	40	May 15
Dairy Goat Females, Registered Wethers	Breed Registry Tattoo 5-digit County Tag or Tattoo	40 dairy goats total	May 15
Meat Goat Wethers Boer Goat Females, Registered Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample Breed Registry Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample 840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	40 meat goats total	May 15
Pygmy Goats Registered Unregistered	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Registration Papers Official USDA Scrapie Tag or Official Scrapie Tattoo	40	May 15
Horses and Pony	Color Picture	20	May 15
Llama and Alpaca	Color Picture	20	May 15
Sheep Market Lambs Commercial Ewes Registered Ewes	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample 840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag/or official scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample 840-RFID Tag and ID that matches registration Papers and DNA Hair Sample	30 sheep total	May 15
Swine	840-RFID Tag and Ear Notch and DNA Hair Sample	15 Gilts 15 Barrows	May 15