



WELCOME NEW 4-H FAMILIES!


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Pledges

Pledge of Allegiance
I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

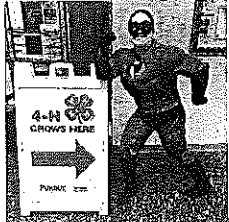
4-H Pledge
I PLEDGE MY...
My **HEAD** to clearer thinking
My **HEART** to greater loyalty
My **HANDS** to larger service
My **HEALTH** to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my **WORLD**

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Welcome!



Who am I?


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- 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator
- Master's from NC State University
- Bachelor's from Ball State
- 4-H Nerd

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What is 4-H?

- **Largest** non-formal youth serving organization in the country
- **Volunteer-led** organization that reaches youth through a variety of programs in both rural and urban settings
- Provides **fun, educational** opportunities at the local, state, national, and international levels
- 4-H programs are **hands-on, age-appropriate, and university-based**

Mission: The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide **real-life educational opportunities that develop young people** who will have a **positive impact** in their communities and the world.



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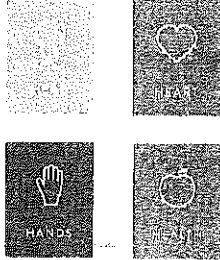
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- D. Hands, Heart, Hustle, Hope

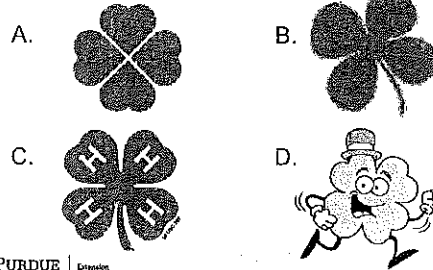
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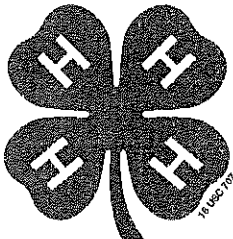
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What is the 4-H Emblem?



4-H Facts



- **Emblem:**
 - Clover with four leaves and an H on each leaf.
 - Similar protection as the Olympic Rings and the Presidential Seal.
 - Can only be green, white, black, or metallic gold.
 - Preferred colors: Green & White
- **Motto:** "To Make the Best Better"
- **Colors:** Green and White
- **Mission Areas:** STEM, Healthy Living, Citizenship

Looking Back...

- Corn Clubs and Tomato Clubs were the first 4-H Clubs!
 - 1902 - First organized 4-H Club formed in Ohio with Corn Clubs and Tomato Clubs - Thanks A.B. Graham!
 - Clubs taught skills on planting, growing, and harvesting corn/tomatoes for youth.
 - Changed the way farmers thought about corn!



4-H Has Changed!!

- 4-H has changed a lot!!
- From Corn Clubs to Victory Gardens to Robotics, 4-H is constantly looking for new ways to engage youth in learning!



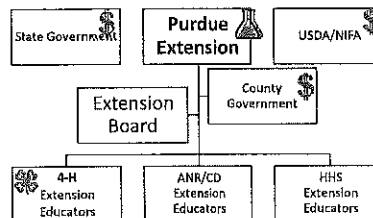
Breakout Session!

4-Hers, follow the Jr. Leaders to the North Hall for some games and more info about 4-H!

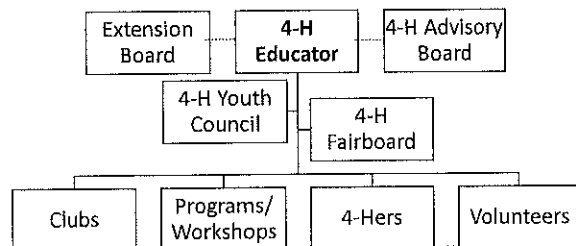
4-H Terminology

- **4Honline** - A website designed as an enrollment and data management system for 4-H throughout Indiana.
- **Handbook** - this book describes all projects, project rules, 4-H activities, and awards
- **FairEntry** - used for 4-Hers to specify exactly what projects/livestock they are bringing to fair. (connects to 4HOnline)
- **Project** – subject specific activities completed through 4-H with option to exhibit at Hendricks County 4-H Fair

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4-H in Hendricks County



I'm a 4-H Parent. Now what?

Top 10 Questions Our Office Gets

10. Where can I find answers to my questions?

- County 4-H Handbook (available tonight, in the Extension Office, or online)
- Monthly Newsletter
- 4-H Project Manual
- Adult Volunteer Leader (ex. Club leaders, project leaders, Council members, etc.)
- County Extension Office
- New Family Guide
- Website: <https://extension.purdue.edu/hendricks>
- 4-Honline

9. What is a "Club" and how do I know which one to choose?

- **Club:** Groups of youth and adults who meet on a regular basis and together practice positive youth development and cooperative learning.
- **Things to consider when selecting a club:**
 - Schedule of Club Meetings
 - Club Meeting Location
 - Size of Club
 - Interest of 4-H members
- **You can always switch clubs!**
- **Not mandatory to attend meetings (except Shooting Sports Safety Meeting)**
- **Two Types of Clubs in Hendricks County:**
 - Community Club
 - I.e. Discovery Club, 4-H Explorers
 - Project Club
 - I.e. Sheep Club, Horse & Pony,

8. What should I expect at Club Meetings?

Parents should expect 4-H Club Leaders to...

- Be able to find answers to 4-H related questions.
- Be courteous, helpful, and display a positive attitude.
- Help 4-H Club officers and Jr. Leaders plan creative meetings and activities.
- Be prepared for and help 4-H Club officers run an orderly meeting. Help members develop their own leadership skills.
- Encourage all 4-H'ers to do/be their best.
- Conduct meetings with a good mix of business, recreation, and education
- Assist members in learning what is available to them through 4-H.
- Help make 4-H a fun, educational experience.

Parents should **NOT** expect 4-H Club leaders to...

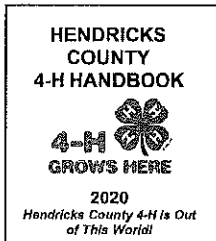
- Do the work for the members.
- Be babysitters for their children.
- Track down 4-H members to deliver needed information or to sign their 4-H record sheets.
- Have extra copies of every record sheet/manual that members have lost.
- Know everything about every project and activity in the 4-H Program.
- Be perfect. 4-H leaders are human too...we all make mistakes!

7. How does my child pick projects?

- Check out our Project Quick Guide
- Find projects that relate to your child's interest
- Good idea to start with one or two projects
- Many projects start with base level skills and increase in skill level as youth age through the project
- Check out Project Workshops
- Ask friends who are in various projects
- Talk with your Club Leader
- **Once decided, enroll in project on 4HOnline by MAY 15!!**

6. How do we learn what to do in projects?

- Handbook
- Project Workshops
- Project Advisors/Leaders
- Clubs



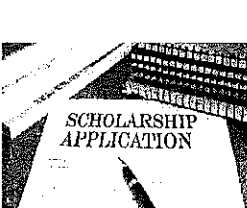
5. What else is there in 4-H?

Trips

- 4-H Camp
- 4-H Round Up
- 4-H Academy
- State Jr. Leader Conference
- Indiana State Fair Youth Leadership Conference
- Heifer International
- Citizenship Washington Focus
- Band/Chorus



Round 1 applications due February 21!




4-H Scholarships

- Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarships
- Senior Year Scholarships
- Producer Scholarships
- Homemakers Scholarships
- Master Gardener Scholarships
- Local 4-H Club Scholarships
- *Typically due January 25 for State Scholarships. Local dates vary.*

Other Opportunities

- SPARK Programs
- Performing Arts / Talent Showcase
- Demonstrations/Public Speaking
- Club Officer Trainings
- State 4-H Programs
- Jr. Leaders (7-12 grades)
- Robotics
- STEM Programs
- Civic Engagement




4-H Cross-Country SPARK Program
Accounted in professions! Learn to grow things! Our team is growing a team for 2020-2021! Join the 4-H Cross-Country SPARK Group to learn more!

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4. What can I do as an adult?

- Volunteer – next slide
- Assist the 4-H Club leader.
- Share your project expertise with other members.
- Be actively involved with your child.
- Encourage accurate and complete record-keeping.
- Share ideas for possible future programs.
- Serve on planning committees.
- Support & promote the 4-H Program in the community.
- Serve as a judge for an event.
- Know that "help" is guidance and support; "do with" rather than "do for".
- Help, cooperate, and smile often!



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3. How do I become a volunteer?

<p>Screening Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application • Background Check • Adult Behavioral Expectations • 4HOnline Profile • Safety Training • Meet with 4-H Educator • Volunteer Placement 	<p>Volunteer Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Leaders/Assistant Leaders • Project Advisors/Leaders • SPARK Programs • Chaperones • Boards/Committees • Fair Volunteers
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2. How much does 4-H REALLY cost?

- \$15 Program Fee
- Manuals range from \$1-\$10+
- Poster board and supplies
- Some clubs/projects have additional costs
 - Shooting Sports
 - Beef
- Project costs vary
 - Pig vs. Poster
- Trips
- *Scholarships available!*

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1. What are some major deadlines?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 15 – encouraged enrollment date • March 14 – Tag In • April 1 – Steer ID info due • May 8 – Tag In • May 15 – Drop/Add; Livestock ID info due • June 1 – FairEntry Opens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 14, 17, 18 – Pre Fair Judging • July 19-25 – 2019 4-H Fair • July 26 – Achievement Banquet after Fair
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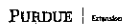
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Time to regroup!

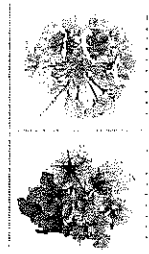
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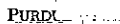
- Pick up your project books/manuals at the Extension Office
- Continue to go to Club Meetings
- Attend workshops for your projects if you would like
- **WORK ON PROJECTS!!**
- Livestock members – bring you animal to designated tag in events at the fairgrounds
- Get involved! (community service projects, club events, SPARK, etc.)
- Read Newsletter for upcoming information



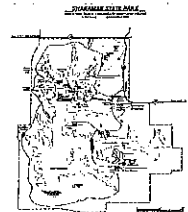
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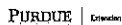
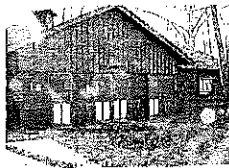
- **Flower Sales**
 - Each 4-H member is encouraged to sell flowers
 - Papers will be coming in the mail
 - Geraniums (red & hot pink), Petunias (purple & white)
 - Orders due: March 30 to Club Leaders
 - Pick Up date: May
 - Money goes to 4-H Youth Council for scholarships, programming, and more.
 - Clubs get 10% of Club Sales



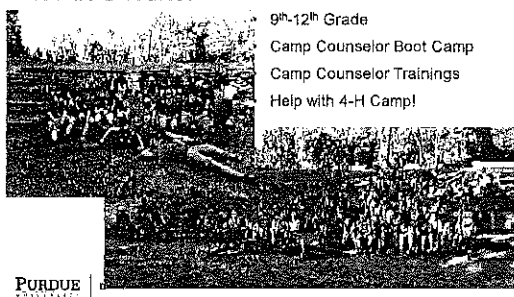
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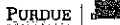
- **4-H Camp**
- 3rd-6th Graders
- 3 days @ Shakamak State Park
- Between \$70-\$80 to attend
- More information coming in the mail soon!



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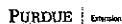
- **CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED!**
- 9th-12th Grade
- Camp Counselor Boot Camp
- Camp Counselor Trainings
- Help with 4-H Camp!



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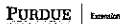
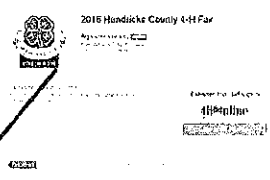


- **4-H Trips**
 - Applications due February 21!
 - Trips all around the state, national level
 - Most trips sponsored by 4-H Youth Council with small payment from families.



What's next?

- Talk with your Club Leader about Completion Card Signing around May
- All 4-H members must have "completion card" signed by club leader to exhibit at the Hendricks County 4-H Fair
- After June 1, enter your project information into FairEntry.



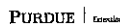
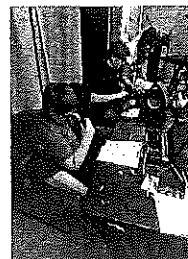
What's next?

- **During the summer:**
 - Finish your projects
 - Attend 4-H trips and workshops
 - Enjoy your time in 4-H!
- **At Fair:**
 - Turn in your projects – information will be sent in June about when/where projects check in
 - Participate in Open Judging
 - Show off your hard work!
 - Tell your friends about how awesome 4-H is!
 - Visit the Indiana State Fair!



Upcoming Events

- **Diversity In STEM Day**
 - February 17
 - All Families Welcome!
 - 3-5 p.m.
 - The Well Community Center in Brownsburg



Upcoming Events



- **Livestock Tag In for Beef/Dairy Steers and Commercial Heifers**
 - March 14, 9 a.m. – 12 noon
 - Get animals tagged for fair!



Upcoming Events

- **Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)**
 - All 4-H members exhibiting livestock (except H&P, Cats, Dogs, Little Critters, Llamas/Alpacas)
 - Monthly Trainings - \$3
 - Online Training - \$12

YQCA TRAINING

February 3; 4:30 PM	Please register BEFORE you get in the building!
February 18; 4:30 PM	Sign up for a training visit www.yqca.org
March 8; 4:00 PM	Create your YQCA Account by logging in with the same info as your 4-H online profile!
April 8; 4:30 PM	In-person trainings are \$3 (Online trainings are \$12)
May 14; 4:30 PM	Call the Extension Office if you have questions!
June 18; 10 AM	

All trainings will be held at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds



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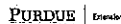


- **Day of Service**
 - April 25
 - Community Service
 - National 4-H Program
 - More Info coming soon!



Upcoming Events

- **Hendricks County 4-H Five Year Plan**
 - Looking for ways to grow the 4-H Program!
 - Programs around the county
 - New programs/events
 - Looking for new volunteers and new youth!
 - Have ideas? Let us know!



Your New 4-H Family Guide



Contact Info

- Hendricks County Extension Office
- Kati Sweet, 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator
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- 1900 E. Main St. Danville, IN 46122
- Open Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Questions?

