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Allen County Indiana 4-H

Have you sent in your 4-H Annual Plant Sale order?  
Have you sold plants to the neighbors or family members?

This is a 4-H Board sponsored fundraiser. The proceeds from this fundraiser helps the 4-H program send 4-H'ers on educational trips and covers unsponsored awards.

Flyer is attached.

## THANK YOU

Thank you everyone who came out and supported the 4-H Fling, on February 29. There was lots of fun and good food. It was a huge success. Receipts are still being processed to have a final profit figure. Planning has started for 2021. If you would like to help call the office at 481-6826 Option #1. Approximately \$12,000 was made in profit.

### 2020 4-H Exhibition Enrollment Dates:

October 1, 2019 – May 15, 2020

4HOnline enrollment & payment of  
program fees is due by May 15, 2020.

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

Note: some animal projects have an earlier deadline.





# 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.

## NEW RULES BOOK AVAILABLE

There is a 2020 Rules Book which is available on line [www.extension.purdue.edu/allen](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/allen) or by stopping by the Extension Office. It is highly recommended each 4-H household print off a 2020 Rules Book.

## 48 Hours Notice

The traffic at the Extension Office has picked up. We ask when you need books, supplies, please call ahead with a 48 hour notice. Samm, and Jean are glad to help out but they are not always available immediately. Please call ahead or even email. Thank you for

## Check List for 4-H Members



- \_\_\_ April 1: All Beef Steers, and Dairy Beef Steers ID'ed in 4HOnline.
- \_\_\_ May 15: All Other Livestock ID'ed in 4HOnline. (except Poultry & Rabbits)
- \_\_\_ May 15: Drop/Add Deadline. Absolute deadline to add or delete any 4-H Projects in the 4HOnline system.
- \_\_\_ June 22: Dog Members MUST complete FairyEntry in 4HOnline system exhibit at the County Fair.  
(Open June 1-June 30)
- \_\_\_ June 30: 4-H Member MUST complete FairEntry in 4HOnline system to exhibit at the County Fair.  
(Open June 1-June 30)
- \_\_\_ June 30: Activity Sheets for Livestock Projects due to the Extension Office by 4:30 pm.

### Add/Drop Deadline – May 15



Remember, you have until May 15, 2020 to add or drop projects on 4HOnline. You MUST be enrolled in a project by May 15, 2020 to exhibit it at the county fair! In the past, you have been able to exhibit a project you completed

but did not enroll. This will no longer be allowed, so PLEASE use 4HOnline to add or drop your projects by May 15! Call the Extension Office if you have any questions.



## EXHIBIT BUILDING CHECK-IN PROCESS

**ALL** Exhibit Building projects will be checked-in on SATURDAY, July 25 from 9 am-12 Noon. Judging will start at 12:30 pm,

Procedure will be:

1. Take your General Record Sheet to the Show Barn. Remember, you only need one (1) record sheet regardless of the number of non-livestock projects you are exhibiting.
2. Verify which exhibit(s) you brought to be judged. (You indicated in FairEntry that was due June 30 but now we need to know what you actually finished.)
3. After verification of exhibits you may take exhibits and proceed to check-in the Exhibit Building at the normal judging stations.

Then on Sunday, July 26 starting at 1:00 pm we ask that you come back and help re-set the Exhibit Building and beautify it for the general public when the Fair Officially opens on July 28. Please contact us if you have any questions.

## Food Booth Committee Needs Your Help

It's that time of year again! The Food Booth is looking for volunteers to help in the food booth during the fair. With the help of volunteers like you the Food Booth was able to have a record breaking year last year. Please see SignUp Genius for days and times to volunteer. Here is the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch&eid=0FC5CCD6FCC9FC60&cs=09B5BADA8FBE8B637B7C640E5BB59BCE&sortby=l.title>. Call or text Sarah Berning at (260) 403-0714 or Email at [SarahMarie89@Yahoo.com](mailto:SarahMarie89@Yahoo.com) if you need anything.

## FUNDRAISERS



### 4-H Plant Sale Fund Raiser

Annual 4-H Plant Sale Fundraiser. Details and Order form attached. Orders due March 31. Plants will be available **ONLY at these times: Thursday, May 7, from 5-8 pm or Friday, May 8 from 9 am–Noon** at the Fairgrounds. **No Refunds on orders not picked up. Orders not picked up by noon on May 8 will be available for sale, anything left will be donated.** Each 4-H family is being challenged to get 2 new customers. Proceeds from this fundraiser go toward Allen County 4-H Board expenses such as 4-H trips that are not sponsored, 4-H publicity/promotion, and other County 4-H expenses. What a great gift for Mother's Day!

## TRIPS & ACTIVITIES

### 4-H Camp - 2020

4-H Camp in 2020 will be held at Epworth Forest in Northern Indiana. Dates for 4-H Camp are June 3-5, 2020. Watch the next Clover Chronicle for more information. NOTE: The Allen County 4-H Board of Directors will pay 50% (\$80) for EVERY camper from Allen County. This makes the cost that each camper must pay \$80.00. Camp is for youth who have completed 3rd-6th grades.



### State Fair Exhibit Hall Workers

Applications are available at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/State-Fair-Exhibit-Hall-Worker.aspx> for 4-H members 15 years of age or older who wish to apply to work before and during the Indiana State Fair. Exhibit Hall workers assist with the set up, check in, judging, ribbon placement, record keeping, and monitoring of the exhibits in the 4-H Exhibit Hall, 4-H Centennial Hall and in the Ag Hort Buildings at the State Fair. Employment will be from the end of July through the completion of Indiana State Fair. Employees are housed on the State Fairgrounds. Applications are due April 1. Applicants should allow some time for Samm to write a recommendations, which is on the application.

### New in 2020

Our Robotics Club is now a STEM Club and meets at TekVenture, 1550 Griffin St in Fort Wayne, on the third Wednesday of each month. Come check it out on March 18! Flyer attached.

## SHOOTING SPORTS

### Muzzleloading

We will be hosting 4-H Muzzle Loading starting in April for youth in Grades 3-12.

Cost is \$30.00. Deadline to pay registration fee is April 9, 2020. First meeting is on April 16, 2020 at the Extension Office. Subsequent meetings will be held outside in the Spencerville IN area. Dates are: April 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 2020. Time will be 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. There is a minimum of 3 members to hold this program and a maximum of 10. Flyer is attached.

## Archery

We will be hosting 4-H Muzzle Loading starting in April for youth in Grades 3-12.

Cost is \$30.00. Deadline to pay registration fee is April 9, 2020. First meeting is on April 21, 2020 at the Allen County Fairgrounds. Subsequent meetings will be held April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020. Time will be 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. There is a maximum of 3010. Flyer is attached.

## HORSE & PONY



### The Horse and Pony Clubs will begin meeting this month

**Saddlebums:** Call Lisa Didion at 740-8313 for more information.

**Sporhorse:** Call Andi Adams at 632-5053 for more information.

### 2020 Horse and Pony Vaccination Clinic

Date: Saturday April 18, 2020

Time: 9 AM-12 Noon

Location: Allen County Fairgrounds

More information available from 4-H Horse and Pony Leaders.

### Allen County Joannie Tumbleson 4-H Horse and Pony Scholarships

Applications are now available for youth in their senior year in High School [12 Grade] in Horse and Pony. Applicants must be planning some post high school study or training, it does not need to be in Indiana. Applicants must be a current, enrolled, and paid active member in 4-H Horse and Pony in Allen County. Applications are due by June 30, 2020 by 4:30 PM to the Extension Office for all eligible youth.

Applications are available on the 4-H website under horse and pony, from the Extension Office or from your Horse and Pony Leader. Two [2] scholarships in the amount of \$250.00 each will be awarded. Winners will be announced during the Fair.

## LIVESTOCK

To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits. 4-H members MUST be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. This is an annual program that can be completed via online modules or in-person trainings. This will be in effect for all of these species in Indiana. This is for all youth in Grades 3-12.

Youth can take the in person trainings [cost will be \$3.00] or online trainings [cost \$12.00]. Allen County will be offering in person trainings in the Spring. We will release dates this spring.

There is a NEW multiple online certification available for youth who are age 12 and age 15 by January 1. You can take a multiple year 'test out'. You will still pay \$12.00 for each year you test out of. You only pay if you pass the test. You only have one [1] opportunity to take the test. Cost for age 12 is \$36.00 [3 years]. Cost for age 15 is \$48.00 [4 years]. Test out is ONLY available online. Online is at <https://yqca.learnrow.io>.

## Barry Gross Scholarship

All eligible youth were sent information electronically on the Barry Gross Scholarship in early March.

This is for youth currently in their final year in 4-H who have exhibited in: Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep or Swine. You must have exhibited in Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep or Swine for a minimum of five [5] years. Applicants must exhibit in one of these species in their final year. Applications are due by May 31, 2020 to the Barry Gross Memorial Scholarship.

If you did not receive the information and think you are eligible-please contact the Extension Office as soon as possible.

## Grooming Assistance at the Indiana State Fair

Just a reminder that if you are planning to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair you need to make sure that you are in compliance with the Grooming Assistance rule. 4-H Exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family [father, mother and siblings], from a current Indiana 4-H member; and from individuals enrolled in the Indiana 4-H Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program. Temporary guardianships are not permitted and shall result in immediate disqualification. The Grooming Assistance application can be found at <http://bit.ly/animalgroominglist> **Please note that this program is only for Indiana residents and must be completed by July 1, annually.**

## Reminder for all Livestock Families-Premise ID Number

All cattle, swine, sheep and goats must have a Premise ID Number for the location of animals, whether you have 1 or 2 animals for 4-H on a part-time basis or raise production stock year-round. For more information and registration forms, contact the Indiana Board of Animal Health at 317-544-2400 or on the web at [www.in.gov/boah/2624.htm](http://www.in.gov/boah/2624.htm).

**The number will be required to complete the animal ID online.**

## Livestock Activity Sheets

Reminder - your animal activity sheets and record sheets are due on June 30, 2020.

Activity Sheets will be used for Beef, Dairy, Dairy Beef, Goat, Horse, Llama, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine.

## 2020 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.

April 1	4HOnline Deadline for ID of all Beef Steers & Dairy Beef Steers	
April 18	TAGGING/ID – ALL Dairy Beef FEEDER Calves	8:00–10:00 a.m.
April 23	TAGGING/ID – ALL Sheep and All Goats	5:00-8:00 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.	
<b>June 30</b>	<b>Activity Sheets due to the Extension Office</b>	<b>By 4:30 pm</b>
June 30	Fair Entry done online (what I am Exhibiting at the County Fair)	By 11:59 pm

## Rabbit Ambassador Contest

The Rabbit Ambassador Contest will be held on May 16 at 2pm at the Whitley County Fairgrounds in Columbia City. Members interested should contact Cheryl Smith.

## 2020 Indiana 4-H Animal Identification

Find attached the lists for different animal species and the respective form of identification that is required for the 4-h member to be eligible to show in the 4-H livestock shows at the 2020 Indiana State Fair.

## 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.**

2020 4-H Livestock Important Dates		
Project	Date & Time	Location
Poultry Workshop	February 24, 7-9 PM	County Extension Office
Cattle Workshop	March 7, 10 AM	Jerry Ott Farm
Swine Workshop	March 16, 6:30 PM	County Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop	March 25, 7 PM	Fairgrounds—Admin Bldg
Rabbit Workshop	April 15, 7:00 PM	County Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop	May 19, 7 PM	Fairgrounds - Admin Bldg
Poultry Workshop & Blood Testing	July 11, 9 AM—12 NOON	Swine Barn, Fairgrounds
Rabbit Tattoo Night	June 25, 7 PM	County Extension Office

## JUNIOR LEADERS

Our next meeting will be on March 31 from 7-8:30 pm at the Extension Office. All youth in grades 7-12 are eligible to participate in this group that focuses on leadership development and FUN! Junior Leaders will be FREE again in 2020! Bring your friends! If you have been interested in seeing what Junior Leaders is all about attend this meeting. **We will have a Iron Chef Contest during the March meeting!**

# 4-H VOLUNTEERS

## 4-H Project Manuals

Leaders please help us out! We need at least a 24-hour notice on Manual orders of more than 5 books. Call, E-mail (please email Jean Kendall and cc Barb Thuma and Samm Johnson), fax, or send us your order ahead of time. Lunch hour is extremely busy and not a good time to just stop by. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Exhibit Building Host Schedule

Call Samm to schedule the time your club will serve as Building Host at the County Fair. First come, first served. **Clubs not signing up will be assigned in early June.** Remember - it is expected that each club participates in hosting in the exhibit buildings at least once during the Fair. Depending on the size of your club, you might consider two

## Youth Safety and Reporting Child Abuse Training

All 4-H Adult and Youth Volunteers are required to complete this training every two years. Some of you will be receiving notice either email/or hard copy that your certification has expired. Please follow the directions in the notice to complete as soon as possible so you are a true 4-H volunteer. We will notify you when your training is about to expire.

## Volunteer Hours for 2020

A worksheet was sent to volunteers to track their volunteer hours from **October 2019 to July 2020** with the **Allen County 4-H Program**. This is a worksheet for you to tally on. **We do not need this worksheet.** You can call or email your grand total number of hours to Jean at 481-6429 or [jkendall@purdue.edu](mailto:jkendall@purdue.edu). When picking up your State Fair ticket, you will be asked to report your hours. Thank you for volunteering. Volunteer hours worksheet attached.

## Calling All 4-H Volunteers!

The area-wide volunteer training that was canceled in February has been rescheduled to April 22 from 6-8pm in Whitley County. Please register for the event at <http://bit.ly/2020volunteertraining>

I hope to see several Allen County 4-H volunteers there!

# COUNTY FAIR

## 2020 FAIR DATES



July 28-August 2, with the  
Livestock Auction on August 3

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# CALENDAR

CEO = County Extension Office  
FG = Fairgrounds

## March 2020

- 15 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 15 4-H Recognition Theme Design Due, 4:30 CEO
- 16 Swine Workshop, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 17 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 18 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
- 22 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 25 Rabbit Workshop, 7 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 29 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 31 Junior Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 31 4-H Plant Sale Orders Due, CEO**

## April 2020

- 5 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 9 Muzzleloading Registrations Due, 4:30 pm @ CEO
- 15 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
- 15 Rabbit Workshop, 7 pm @ CEO
- 18 Dairy Beef Feeder Calf Weigh in, 8-10 am @ FG's
- 19 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 21 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 23 Sheep & Goat ID, 6-8 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 26 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 28 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm CEO

## May 2020

- 5 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
  - 6 Swine Committee, 7 pm @ FG's, McComb Bldg
  - 7 4-H Plant Sale Pick up 5-8 pm @ Fairgrounds**
  - 8 4-H Plant Sale Pick up 9-12 Noon @ Fairgrounds**
  - 9 State Horse Judging Contest
  - 15 4-H Enrollments Due Online**
  - 15 Livestock ID Due ONLINE**
  - 15 Horse ID Sheets Due ONLINE**
  - 15 Project Add/Drop Deadline ONLINE**
  - 16 State Poultry, Dairy & Livestock Contest
  - 19 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ FG's
  - 20 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
  - 23 Open Swine Show @ FG's
  - 25 Office Closed – Memorial Day
  - 25 Three Rivers Open Horse Show, FG's 8 am
  - 26 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm @ CEO
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