# **ALLEN COUNTY 4-H**

# **NEWSLETTTER**

# NOVEMBER 2023

Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful. Our office is thankful for all of our volunteers that help the Allen County 4-H program run smoothly and give great opportunities to our youth. Thank you to those that have already completed the volunteer training. Please continue to renew your status and encourage new 4-H members to join. We are planning for Rebecca to return to her educator duties in December. Until then, continue to direct questions to Kristen or myself.

James Wolff, County Extension Director

#### ANNUAL MEETING



The Allen County 4-H Clubs Board is hosting its Annual Meeting on Dec. 5 at 7pm in the Purdue Fort Wayne Classic Ballroom. This meeting serves to honor our volunteers for their service and elect new board members to the board. The Annual Meeting will include a meal again this year. Please RSVP by the end of the day on Nov. 21 at <a href="https://bit.ly/3QaSsLc">https://bit.ly/3QaSsLc</a> or by calling 260-481-6826.

Want to serve on the board? Complete the application at the end of this newsletter, submit it to the office, and make sure your volunteer status is active by Nov. 22 to be considered for the 4-H Board ballot.

4-H Board members are elected to a 3-year term and may serve up to 2 consecutive terms. Volunteers must be in active status to be elected to the board by the county volunteers.

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# **4-H ENROLLMENT OPEN**



It is once again time for 4-H members and volunteers to enroll in 4-H via 4-H Online. Visit <a href="https://v2.4honline.com/">https://v2.4honline.com/</a> to renew your membership for 2024.

4-H Members: Enrollment is open through May 15, 2024. We encourage members to enroll early to ensure they continue getting updates on all the activities they can participate in. We encourage online payment for faster processing of enrollment

4-H Volunteers: Enrollment is open and we encourage timely completion of required trainings to ensure the safety of our youth. completion of 4-H Online is required before you can continue to work with youth in 4-H activities.

### IN-PERSON 4-H VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Do you need help completing the online videos to renew your volunteer status?



We will be hosting 2 in-person training opportunities at the Extension Office Jan. 2 at 6pm

Jan. 16 at 6pm

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RSVP preferred to Kristen at <a href="mailto:knhouseh@purdue.edu">knhouseh@purdue.edu</a> or 260-481-6826. Please let us know if you need accomodations to participate.

If you can't make these opportunities, please reach out to Kristen to see how we can help you.

# PROJECT CHANGE: CREATIVE WRITING



Indiana 4-H is trying to make sure all state level projects are in alignment. We discovered the Allen County Creative Writing project falls under the Indiana 4-H Communications project. To make it easier for members, we will be dropping the creative writing project and asking members to enroll in communications. You can still do a creative writing activity and the rules are still the same for that activity but the project name is different. Winners will also be able to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair.

If you already enrolled in the project in 4-H online you will get an email from our staff indicating we moved you to the correct enrollment.

If you have not enrolled in the project yet, we ask that you enroll in the communications project.