## Mini 4-H

Description: Mini 4-H is a program designed to encourage positive development of children, Kindergarten through second grade (though not all counties are able to offer this to all grades). The goal of Mini 4-H is to help young children explore friendships outside the family; explore the way in which things work; practice both small and large muscle control; and think about the ways people work together on projects.

## No State Fair Exhibit

- □ Enroll in 4-H, pay annual program fee, and enter project in V2.4honline by May 15
- □ Enter exhibit(s) in FairEntry by May 24, 2024. See page 7 Rule #24.
- □ Exhibits checked-in Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 9am-12pm.

A specially designed program for Kindergarten, First & Second graders, as of January 1 of the current exhibition year, who desire to become involved with 4-H work.

Mini 4-H'ers will be allowed to enter a maximum of three (3) exhibits at the Fair. They will be on display, but will not be judged.

## **PURPOSE** -

- 1. To teach younger children something about 4-H.
- 2. To encourage participation in 4-H when older.
- 3. To provide special 4-H projects helping them learn 4-H.

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. You must be in Kindergarten, First or Second grade on January 1 of current exhibition year.
- 2. You must fill out enrollment sheet, which you will return to your leader.
- **3.** You may or may not attend your local 4-H meetings. (It is up to your leader.)
- **4.** You do not have to keep records, although it is recommended.
- **5.** There is no State Fair Exhibit.
- **6.** Turn in blue accumulated record sheet at the Fair; however, points will not accumulate until the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.
- 7. See Allen County General 4-H Rules: Label Rule.

**Projects offered**: Bicycle; Bugs; More Bugs; Collections; Crafts; Dairy; Dinosaurs; Dog; Farm Animals; Foods; Forestry; Gardening; Goat; Horse & Pony; Llama; Models; My Pet & Me; Plants & Flowers; Rabbits; Reading; Sewing; Sheep; Space; Sun, Stars & Space; Swine, Trees; Whales & Dolphins; Wildlife Adventures.

**Exhibit:** Select one of the exhibit options listed in your Mini Project manual.

Posters are to be and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. Display boards should be designed to sit on a table using no more than 36" of tabletop space. Space should be left in the lower right-hand corner to place an exhibit tag provided by Purdue Extension staff.

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