



Extension - Dearborn County

March/April, 2025

## 4-H Connection



Dear 4-H Family and Volunteer,

Warm and sunny days make me think of 4-H Camp and the 4-H Fair! It's not too early to get enrolled in 4-H Online! Please enroll at <https://v2.4honline.com> by May 15 to participate in the Fair this summer.

**May 15th** is the deadline for 4-H livestock project animals, except poultry, to be registered in 4-H Online and Members, as well as, Cloverbuds & Volunteers to submit their T-shirt size in 4-H Online event. You must have submitted a shirt size by May 15th in order to get a shirt during the Fair. Parents who wish to purchase a T-shirt, may call the Extension Office at 812-926-1189 to submit shirt sizes by May 15th.

Are you interested in the Sun's power? Sunny Side Up: 4-H Fun with Solar Power will be held April 15, 4-6 pm, at the Extension Office meeting room. The program is free, however, youth must register at <https://SunnySideUpSolarPower.4honline.com> by April 7th. Open to youth grades 3-12, 4-H members or participants. Free T-shirt for all who register by April 7th.

**We all need to work together to recruit new 4-H members** because I am one person. **Let's challenge ourselves to increase enrollment this year by 50 members!** How do we do it? Parents and members can talk to their friends about 4-H and invite them to Club meetings. Members can ask to talk about 4-H during the school day, bringing pictures of their projects. Share stories about why like 4-H.....We are a secret in Dearborn County. Let's get the news out! Just think, If every member brought just one new member, we could double!

The 4-H program thrives because of our incredible volunteers. If you're interested in contributing in any way, please contact Liz to discuss how you can get involved. Consider joining the Fair Board or attending Fair Board and 4-H Board of Directors meetings to share your ideas as our fair evolves this year. Your input and assistance are invaluable.

Sincerely,

Liz Beiersdorfer  
4-H Youth Development Educator

Dearborn County 4-H program strives to provide the 4-H experience to all who want to participate, by practicing the 4-H essential element of generosity! If you need accommodations to participate, please contact Liz Beiersdorfer at [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).

### 4-H Enrollment

<https://v2.4honline.com>

If you have questions, call the office at 812-926-1189 or email [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).

**If you love 4-H invite a friend to join you this year and enroll!**



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# CLOVER CORNER-PPER PLATE ANIMALS

Use paper plates and construction paper to make a rooster or sheep. You can use your imagination to make other animals, too.

**For the rooster**, fold your plate in half. Cut out a comb and wattle from red construction paper (or color white paper with a red crayon) and a beak from yellow paper (or color white paper yellow). Glue on a googly eye or just use a black marker or crayon to make an eye. Have youth google why roosters have wattles?



**To make a sheep:** Fleece is made out of cotton balls you glue onto the plate. Cut out a face and ears with black construction paper or color white paper. Finally cut out eyes to glue on the face. Have youth google why do sheep have fleece?



These would make great Fair projects!

**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.*

## Important Upcoming Dates

The Fair Board is looking for additional members, committee members or helpers of any kind to complete the work of planning and executing fair week. If you are able to volunteer please contact the Extension Office.



### Fair Dates 2025

June 15-20

Race benefiting 4-H

Saturday, June 21

- ♦ **March 29**-Area 1 Livestock Workshop on Nutrition and Showmanship. Held at Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 10-3 pm. Register on 4-H Online <https://beyondreadytoshowlivestock.4honline.com>
- ♦ **April 7** registration deadline for Sunny side Up: 4-H Fun with Solar Power workshop <https://SunnySideUpSolarPower.4honline.com>. Program is **April 15**, 4-6 pm, Extension Office meeting room. Free but must register. First 15 registrations will get a T-Shirt.
- ♦ **Spring ID:** Sheep, Goats, Swine, [contact Dairy Cattle chair for tagging information] **April 25**, 6-8 pm Fair Grounds.
- ♦ **April 30**-Purdue Day of Giving-Donated funds can benefit Dearborn County 4-H and all contributions are welcome large and small!
- ♦ **May 1st is the deadline to register for 4-H Camp.** <https://25SEI4HCamp.4honline.com>
- ♦ **May 15th** is a big deadline in 4-H! You **must** be enrolled in 4-H Online by May 15, if you want to participate in the Fair this summer. If you are already enrolled, you can add or drop projects until May 15, 2025.
- ♦ **May 15** is the deadline for all livestock, including alpaca and horse and pony, to be enrolled into 4-H online. Pen Entry forms are due as well.
- ♦ **May 15** is the deadline to submit T-shirts size in 4-H Online event for members, Cloverbuds and Volunteers. Parent wanting to purchase a shirt must call the Ext. Office 812-926-1189 with their size by May 15th. No shirts will be available for those who did not submit a shirt size.
- ♦ **Jr. Livestock Committee** will meet on **May 21**, 6-7 pm. In the Fair Office on the fairgrounds. All livestock project members grades 7-12 are invited to attend.



# Things You Need to Know

- ◆ If you want to attend 4-H Camp but need some financial support, please contact liz at [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu) by **April 7th!!** We have limited funds available to help.
- ◆ If you are showing livestock (does\_not include rabbit, & equine and camelids may voluntarily register) at the state or county fair, you **must** have a **premise ID** from the Indiana Board of Animal Health. In the event you moved, you must reapply for a premise ID as it is tied to the address where animals are housed. If you are housing your animals at someone else's address, you must use that premise ID on 4-H Online. For information on how to register, or recover a lost premise ID and more, please visit this site: <https://bit.ly/4imnOui> [control click] **Storing Premise ID tip:** enter the Premise ID and number in your phones contacts for easy access.
- ◆ If you missed Quality Livestock Care in-person training this year, You may complete YQCA training at [YQCA.org](http://YQCA.org) for \$12. Please email YQCA completion certificate to [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu). If you have questions, contact liz.
- ◆ Pre-Fair Livestock letters will be mailed in April.
- ◆ We are in need of judges helpers for project check-in day. Please consider offering your time to help with this most important task!!
- ◆ Visit the 4-H webpage to review state project guidelines. <https://bit.ly/4iFEoFQ> [control click on https, select offered project link].
- ◆ Check out the Extension office webpage!! <https://extension.purdue.edu/dearborn> . You can find all the information and forms you need in one place under the 4-H link.
- ◆ If you have **any** questions, please call the office at 812-926-1189!! We are here to help you.

## Quote of the Month–

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.  
Eleanor Roosevelt.

You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great. Zig Ziglar

## Character Awareness

Kind-be empathetic and helpful to others

## **Healthy Living**

**tip:** Start your day with a glass of water to rehydrate after sleeping and begin the day with something positive...

**Kindness: Pass it On!** Give yourself grace. You are doing the best you can.

**Kroger Card can give back to our 4-H program!** Would you consider helping Dearborn County 4-H earn money? All you need to do is link your Kroger rewards card to Dearborn County 4-H. Your information will never be shared with anyone. e your Use your card to benefit 4-H, **organization number is JL911.**

Volunteers are  
the heart of  
4-H!

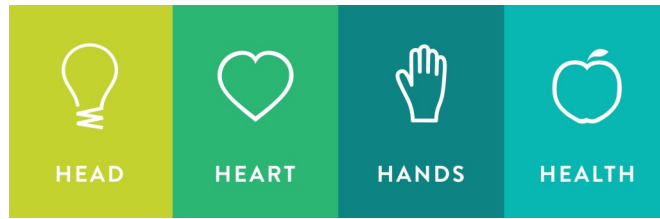
Know an adult  
who would be a  
great volunteer? Share the  
love and ask  
me to send  
them an application.



Want to help

4-H? Consider  
becoming a Volunteer. Contact  
[ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).

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## WHAT'S COMING UP?



- ♦ Summer brings several State 4-H opportunities: Registration for 4-H Academy and 4-H Round-Up opened March 15. To register, let the Extension Office know of your interest, and they will begin the registration for you. You must complete the registration. Early bird registration [reduced fee] deadline is May 9th. For additional information, visit: <https://bit.ly/4bZZQ5g> **Check out these fun trips:**
- ♦ **June 23-25-4-H Round-Up** is an exciting opportunity offered to youth who have completed grades 7, 8, and 9. Attendees have an opportunity to explore a variety of careers by attending classes created just for Round-Up attendees at Purdue University. Participants will get a taste of college life and will live in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights. Youth have an opportunity to meet others from across the state and further develop their leadership skills. Recreation events are planned in the evenings to allow attendees the opportunity to build friendships on their own.
- ♦ **June 11-13-4-H Academy @ Purdue** is a program held at Purdue University specifically designed to offer hands-on, exciting opportunities to learn about a diverse selection of subjects and careers. During this conference previously known as 4-H Science Workshops, participants will meet and learn from professors, graduate students and other experts in their respective fields and participate in interactive activities and experiential learning. Participants stay in a Purdue University Residence Hall for two nights while exploring the Purdue University campus and meeting 4-H members from across Indiana. 4-H Academy @ Purdue is open to all youth grades 9-12.
- ♦ **4-H Exhibit Hall Worker at Indiana State Fair:** Youth are afforded an opportunity to work at the Indiana State Fair as an Exhibit Hall Worker. Duties include checking-in non-animal 4-H exhibits, preparing exhibits for display to the public, record keeping, interacting with fair attendees, assisting with a variety of state fair events, and releasing exhibits. Workers will develop team work, customer service, record keeping, and other work related skills through this temporary employment opportunity. Exhibit Hall Workers must be a minimum of 14 years of age. This employment opportunity is also available to college-age young adults. Exhibit Hall Worker are expected to reside on-site in the reserved dormitory space. This is a minimum wage earning employment opportunity. <https://bit.ly/Exhibithallworker>

## CELEBRATION TIME !

Congratulations to Adelaide Dunn for submitting the winning 2025 4-H T-shirt Design!

Congratulations to Emily Stenger for winning 3rd place at the Art Show in Aurora, for the 16-18 year old 2D category photograph of Nolan and his ball glove!



## 4-H is calling all doers!

### ESPECIALLY FOR VOLUNTEERS

- ♦ If you have not checked out the **Clover Call Podcast**, made just for 4-H Volunteers, please do so at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/podcasts/clover-call-podcast>.
- ♦ **Looking for Volunteer Resources?** The State 4-H Website offers a variety of resources all at a finger's touch! Visit this link to find the 4-H Mentor Manual, Back to Basics, Recipe for 4-H Community Club Success, Supporting New Families, Inclusive 4-H, Club Resources, Specific Resources for Program Areas, Volunteer Toolkit, Volunteer Development Resources from National 4-H Council, and more.....<https://bit.ly/4bCVEsa>
- ♦ **April 4-6**, Ross Camp, Lafayette, Shooting Sports Instructor Training. Adult Volunteers Register at <http://inhea.com>

