

Extension Edge

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August 2025

FAIRENTRY IS NOW OPEN FOR FALL FAIR!

AUGUST 1– SEPTEMBER 8

<https://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com>

You are **REQUIRED** to enter all of your animal projects into FairEntry in order to exhibit!

PLEASE don't wait until the last minute!

You will use your 4HOnline login email and password to get into the system and will register your animals for the project(s) you are enrolled in.

- Instructions on how to register your livestock is available

IN THIS NEWSLETTER or on the DeKalb 4-H Hub.

- If you have any questions or need help entering your animal, please don't hesitate to call Effie at (260) 925-2562, email her at campb314@purdue.edu, or stop by the Extension Office and we can walk you through the process.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program



All 4-H youth enrolled in a LIVESTOCK PROJECT (Beef, Dairy Beef, Dairy, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep and Swine) must be QLC certified or have a YQCA online completion certificate.

If you choose to complete the YQCA option, you will register for the online course at <https://yqcaprogram.org/> Cost of the online YQCA course is \$12.

After completing the course, you must email the 4-H Educator with your certificate to receive credit.

If you prefer to take the QLC in person (Instructor-Led), the cost is \$3 per child and will be located at the Exhibit Hall (Fairgrounds); Registration is open now in 4-H Online!

Quality Livestock Care training session:

Saturday, August 9, 10:00 a.m. LAST ONE!

After attending the course or submitting a YQCA online training certificate, you will be marked complete in the DeKalb 4-H Hub (Fall Fair Checklist)

**This certification does NOT replace the workshop/worksheet requirement.*

IMPORTANT!

The Extension Office has Summer Judging projects, ribbons and medals left. Please come in at your

earliest convenience to pick them up! We will not store these items and anything not picked up will be discarded!

10-YEAR Member Spotlight

Over the next several months, we will take the opportunity to highlight our 10-year 4-H members. These youth have completed ten consecutive years in the 4-H program. Thank you for your leadership, service and qualities that each of you have added to our 4-H program.

Caleb Schlabach

What High School do you attend? Lakewood Park Christian School.

What do you plan to do after graduation? Become an electrician. I am currently working for R&E Midwest Electric.

Favorite 4-H Memory: My favorite 4-H memory is attending the fair every year, spending the whole week there with friends.

Advice for Current 4-H Members: My advice is to do as much as you can in high school and enjoy every moment of it.



Advice for Current 4-H Members: Advice for current 4-H members is to make sure to step back from the stress of the hard work you put into your projects and take time to relax and enjoy the fair.

Adelina Harding

What High School do you attended? Leo Junior Senior High School

What do you plan to do after graduation? I plan to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa and study marine biology. I will also be attending under an NROTC scholarship, which will allow me to graduate college as an officer in the United States Navy.



What High School do you attended? Eastside High School

What do you plan to do after graduation? Career goals are to farm and be a diesel mechanic

Favorite 4-H Memory: My favorite memory is showing my Angus Heifer Kiki



Favorite 4-H Memory: My favorite 4-H memory was a teaching trip to Bethel, Alaska. Being able to teach kids about nature and art in a remote village was a spectacular experience!

Advice for Current 4-H Members: Do your projects on time and grasp every opportunity by the heel! If something sounds interesting, try it out. Don't be afraid to be bold. You will be rewarded for it down the line.

DeKalb 4-H Hub

Your go-to resource for everything Dekalb 4-H!



WHAT IS ON THE HUB?

- FALL FAIR CHECKLIST- SEE WHAT YOU STILL NEED TO COMPLETE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO EXHIBIT
- SUMMER JUDGING CHECKLIST - SEE WHAT YOU STILL NEED TO COMPLETE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO EXHIBIT
- 10 YEAR MEMBER TO-DO LIST!
- LIST OF IMPORTANT DATES/WORKSHOPS
- MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
- GENERAL RECORD SHEET
- 4-H HANDBOOK
- APPLICATIONS FOR EVENTS/TRIPS
- 4-H FAMILY GUIDE, 4-H PROJECT MAGAZINE
- INSTRUCTIONS FOR 4-H ONLINE AND FAIR ENTRY
- LIST OF IMPORTANT WEBSITES
- ALL LIVESTOCK WORKSHEETS!



USE THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR
CODE WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/DEKALB4HHUB](https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub)

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

August 1	FairEntry opens for Fall Fair! http://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com
August 5	Nevershirk Club Meeting, 6:30 pm - Butler Elementary
August 9	QLC in-person training, 10:00 am - Exhibit Hall - Must pre-register in 4-H Online in the "Events tab"
August 10	Goat Workshop, 2:00 PM - Goat Barn
August 10	Cut-Ups Club Meeting, 6:00 PM - Exhibit Hall
August 11	Mini 4-H Meeting, 6:00 pm - Exhibit Hall
August 13	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 pm - Exhibit Hall
August 14	Fairfield Farmers Club Meeting (Showmanship Workshop), 6:30 pm - 1835 County Road 39
August 14	Swine Workshop, 6:00 pm - Exhibit Hall
August 19	Richland Cornhuskers Club Meeting, 5:00 pm - Exhibit Hall 4-H Power Club Meeting, 7:00 pm - Sugar Ridge Farms (4937 CR 60, Saint Joe)
August 23	Poultry Banding/ID Day, 8:00-10:00 am - Location to be determined (Old Petting Zoo cover or outside of Poultry barn)
August 23	Beef Feeder ID Day, 8:00-10:00 am - Beef Barn
August 23	Beef/Dairy Beef Workshop, TBD
August 24	Sheep Workshop, 2:00 pm - Sheep Barn
August 24	Rabbit Events - 12:00 pm (noon) - Barn Set-Up/Clean up, Show Remark Cards. Litter, Fryer, and Meat pen ID Doubletrees Completion Show, 2:00 pm - Arena
September 1	FairEntry/4-H Online Help Night (for September 8 Deadline), 5:30-6:30 pm - Exhibit Hall
September 2	Nevershirk Club Meeting, 6:30 pm - Butler Elementary
September 8 Deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Add/Drop (Fall Projects) • 4HOnline Entry for Beef Feeders, FairEntry Class Selections for Fall Fair Animals and Crop Exhibits, Battle of the Barns entries • Worksheets due to the Extension Office, YQCA Due (if you took the class online, certificates are due by this date)

WORD OF THE MONTH

Tittle - The dot that appears above the letters 'i' and 'j' when they are written in lowercase.

2025

BATTLE OF THE BARNS



**Battle of the Barns
is on Sunday,
September 21
at 6:30 pm**

Battle of the Barns is a fun way to get to know other youth in your barn, especially since you will be seeing them all week! Teams from each barn, Static Projects, Shooting Sports, and ATV will battle it out, competing to see which barn is the best! Mini 4-H members are welcome to register as well! If you would like to join in the fun and compete to bring your barn the glory of winning, you will need to sign up by registering in FairEntry between **August 1 and September 8.**

MINI 4-H LEARN ABOUT PET ADOPTION/FOSTERING

Come to our Monday, August 11 meeting 6 pm at the Exhibit Hall and other fun activities

JUDGING: Saturday, September 13 (10 am) Exhibit Hall

Battle of the Barns: Sunday, Sept 21 (6:30 pm) Horse Arena

Future 4-Her Show: Saturday September 27 (1 pm) Show Barn

Project Pick Up Sunday September 28 (8-10 am) Exhibit Hall



WORKSHOPS OR WORKSHEETS?

Be aware of livestock workshops being offered in the coming months!

They are listed under **"IMPORTANT DATES"** on

page 5 in **GREEN**. If you need a worksheet, please go to the DeKalb 4-H Hub,

<https://bit.ly/dekalb4hhub> or contact the office at **260-925-2562** to pick up a worksheet.

September 8 Deadline Breakdown

If you are planning to exhibit Beef Feeders at Fall Fair:

1. Make entries into 4-H Online by September 2 for those animals using the “DeKalb Co ONLY: Beef Feeder Calves” animal types. Link: <https://v2.4honline.com/>

- Instructions are available on the Hub in your species folder:

<https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

2. Go to FairEntry and make class selections in the system. Link: <http://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com/> (Log on with 4-H Online information)

- Animals will carry over from 4-H Online
- Instructions are available on the Hub: <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

If you are planning to exhibit livestock at the Fall Fair:

1. Go to FairEntry and make class selections in the system. This can be done as soon as you know what you will be exhibiting. Changes can be made to entries at check-in using the animals you have nominated in 4-H Online. However, please make your best guess on what you are bringing, so fewer changes need to be made later. Any animal nominated in 4-H Online can be brought to the fair as long as it meets qualifications. Link: <http://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com/> (Log on with 4-H Online information)

- a. Instructions are available on the Hub: <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

If you are planning to exhibit Crops Exhibits at Fall Fair:

1. Go to FairEntry and make class selections in the system. Link: <http://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com/> (Log on with 4-H Online information)

- Instructions are available on the Hub: <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

If you are exhibiting Poultry at the Fall Fair:

1. Go to FairEntry and make class selections in the system. Link: <http://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com/> (Log on with 4-H Online information)

- Instructions are available on the Hub: <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

QLC/YQCA and Workshop/Worksheets are also due on September 8!

- Check the Fall Checklist on the Hub to see if you have completed the requirements. Link: <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>
- Need a worksheet? Go to your species folder on the Hub to find the worksheet for your grade level
- To complete the online YQCA training, go to <https://yqcaprogram.org/>, and email me (campb314@purdue.edu) a copy of your completion certificate.

If you have any questions, need help making entries, need access to a computer, or want me to check your entries, please contact the Extension Office at (260)-925-2562 or by emailing me at campb314@purdue.edu.

4-H FALL FAIR REMINDERS:

Pre-Fair Clean-up/Set-up

Sunday, Sept. 14 • 1-4 pm

- Pick up any trash, leaves, etc.
- Clean up barns and wash rack
- Set up the Exhibit Hall for projects
- Clean picnic tables, benches, etc.

During The Fair...

- Throw your trash in barrels provided.
- Pick up trash on grounds or in buildings.
- Work a shift at the north and/or south Food Stands.
- When showing an animal: Keep your pens clean and your animal fed and watered—Help pick up trash in show ring—Ask your livestock superintendent what you can do to help throughout the week—Do your final pen clean-up on Sunday.

Post-Fair Clean-up

Sunday, September 28 • 9 am

- Pick up trash
- Help put away pens, gates, etc.
- Clean out barns



TIPS & TRICKS

Go to <https://dekalbcountyindiana.fairentry.com> and sign in using your 4HOnline email and password

Choose if you would like to register an individual or click that green box. Review your Exhibitors information and make changes where need be.

SECTION 2 - ENTRIES TAB

1. Click the green “Add an Entry” box to the right of the exhibitor’s name
2. Click the green “Select” box next to the Department you would like to enter
3. To register an animal entry from 4HOnline, you will select the white “add an animal” box during the entry process.

4. A smaller box with two options will pop up. Choose the green “Choose an Existing Animal Record” box to enter an animal that was identified in 4HOnline.

To enter Poultry/ Pigeons/Waterfowl animal, please select “Enter a New Animal Record”, and complete all applicable fields on the screen.

4-H/Youth Development

- A list of those animals that you have previously ID'd in 4-HOnline that are eligible for that class are listed. Select the circle next to the animal you would like to enter. Then select the green "Select Animal" box.

Adding an Existing Animal

Allowed Animal Types:

- Horses

Ginny Stark

☐ Animal Name: Triton

View Info

4HOnline

☐ Animal Name: Spot

View Info

4HOnline

Cancel

Select Animal

- All of the information about that animal will be pulled over from 4-H Online, so that you can check to make sure that is the correct animal. If you want to switch to a different animal, click on the "remove from entry box". If it is correct, click the green "Continue" box. Then you will be taken to the Additional Questions page. **Make sure to answer all the questions.**

The screenshot shows the 'Entry Animal' form. On the left, a summary card for 'Stark, Ginny' (5/5/2017, 8 years old, 4H Online Training Address) lists Department: Livestock Horse, Division: 2500 English, and Class: 250013: Saddle seat pleasure all ages, all sizes (SN). Below this is a 'Delete this Entry' button. The main form area has tabs for 'Remove from Entry' and 'Edit Animal Details'. The 'Edit Animal Details' tab is active, showing a form with fields for: Identifier (Animal Name): Triton (4HOnline), Animal Type: Horses, Animal Name: Triton, Breed: American Quarter Horse, Color and Markings: Brown, white socks, Sex: Male, Birthdate: 1/1/2017, Check if this animal is under 55 inches tall: false, Intend to exhibit this animal at State Fair: true, We consent to share this Animal ID information with the Indiana State Fair System: false, Owned Or Leased: Owned, Owner Name: Tanya Stark, and Body Condition Score. A green 'Continue' button is at the bottom right.

SECTION 3 - PAYMENT TAB

***The payment section is a formality of the system. No payment is needed, but you must go through the steps to submit your entries. It is best to enter all entries for all exhibitors in your family before completing the Payment and submission steps.

- Review your invoice, either in summary format or detail format. If it looks correct, click the green "Continue" box. If not, go back to the entries tab and fix what you need to.

- Select the green "Continue" box.

**There are no fees for 4-H exhibits.

The screenshot shows the '2021 DEKALB CO. FAIR' payment section. At the top, there's a blue header with '2021 DEKALB CO. FAIR' and a 'Breadcrumbs' link. Below this is a green progress bar with three steps: 'Exhibitors', 'Entries', and 'Payment'. The 'Payment' step is active, showing a total of '\$0.00'. Below the progress bar is a timeline with three steps: '1. Review', '2. Payment Method', and '3. Confirm'. The 'Payment Method' step is active, showing an 'Invoice' section. The invoice has a 'Summary' tab and a 'Detail' tab. The 'Summary' tab is active, showing 'Individual Exhibitor: Isabelle' with a total of '\$0.00'. A green 'Continue' button is at the bottom right.

4-H/Youth Development

9. Confirm your entries one last time. You can see a summary of exhibitors in your family, or their entries in detail. **Make sure all entries for each exhibitor in your family are listed before you submit the entries.**

NOTE: Once you hit submit, you cannot edit your entries.

10. Click Continue to confirm and submit your entries.

11. Click the Submit button to submit your entries.

12. You will receive a "Thanks!" message. You can choose the button to "Visit Dashboard" to see your entry.

You will receive an email from FairEntry after your entry has been submitted. You will also receive an email from FairEntry letting you know if your entry was approved or rejected, a reason will be listed and you will be able to log in and fix the problem before submitting that entry again. Please contact the DeKalb County Extension Office if you have any problems with this process at 260-925-2562.

1 2 3
Review Payment Method Confirm

Invoice		Summary Detail
Individual Exhibitor: Byron Stark		\$0.00
Individual Exhibitor: Ginny Stark		\$0.00
		Total: \$0.00

Continue

✓ 2 3
Review Payment Method Confirm

Instructions to Pay by Check

There is no cost to enter 4-H exhibits.

Continue

One last step!
Agree to the terms below and press submit.

After you submit

- Records will be locked to editing awaiting manager approval
- Your credit card will not be charged until a manager approves the records
- If the manager does not approve all the records, the amount charged to the credit card may be less than the amount cited here.

Payment Total

\$0.00


By Check

Instructions to Pay by Check

There is no cost to enter 4-H exhibits.

Submit

2021 DEKALB CO. FAIR



Thanks!

Thank you for participating in 2016 Training Fair.

An email confirmation of your submission has been sent.

If the fair management finds any issues with your registration, you will receive another email.

Visit Dashboard Sign out

Important Livestock Date Reminders

These are just reminders to our Livestock Exhibitors about Due Dates in the next couple of months. You will have until September 8th to meet the Deadline. Remember to check the DeKalb 4-H Hub in the Fall Fair checklist to make sure you are complete. <https://bit.ly/DeKalb4HHub>

BEEF

AUGUST 23 - Beef Feeder ID Day

SEPTEMBER 8 - 4H Online Entry Due for BEEF FEEDER CALF

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

DAIRY

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

DAIRY FEEDERS AND STEERS

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

GOAT

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for FALL FAIR WETHERS

POULTRY

AUGUST 23 - Poultry ID/Banding

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

RABBIT

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

SHEEP

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries

SWINE

SEPTEMBER 8 - ALL Class selections MUST be made in Fair Entry for Fall Fair Entries



**HELP
WANTED**

DEKALB 4-H

2025 FALL FAIR

4-H FOOD STAND WORKERS

Please do not sign up kids under 13 on the sign-up! They can help work, but do not count on the sign-up. Please note that if you are unable to attend your shift after signing up, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.

Sign up today!

Scan the QR code or
go to the link below



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A45ABA62DA4FE3-57266175-2025>

Supreme Showman Contest Rules

4-H Council is proud to present the Supreme Showmanship contest Sponsored by Beacon Credit Union.

The goal of the Supreme Showmanship contest is to expand and enhance all livestock showmanship skills, to increase appreciation for all livestock species with knowledge and to develop a dynamic spirit among 4-H members.

Guidelines:

1. Premier Showmanship winners from Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeders and Steers, Meat Goats, Dairy Goats, Sheep, Swine, Rabbit, and Poultry are eligible to compete.
2. A 4-H member may earn the right to participate by winning a premier showman of a specific species. He/She may win Supreme Showmen an unlimited number of times.
3. In case one person wins more than one Premier showman specie, that person will represent the first specie won and the second specie's Premier runner up will represent the second specie. Each premier winner has the right not to participate if they so choose, it will then also go to the runner-up. If the runner-up decides not to participate, at the discretion on the committee a 3rd place contestant could be used or that species will not have a showman in that years Showmanship contest.
4. Nine (9) classes will be set up using animals which have been shown at the Fair. There will be one (1) class each of Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeders and Steers, Meat Goat, Dairy Goat, Sheep, Swine, Rabbit, and Poultry.
5. Participants will all show the same species at the same time, with order of species being decided by committee.
6. Barn superintendents will select the nine (9) animals of each species to be used in the contest. The show host will provide the necessary equipment needed for the specie for all contestants (9 show sticks, brushes, etc.)
7. Contestants will draw numbers to determine the animal used for each species as the species enters the ring. Contestants may not draw their own animal, if it is used in the contest.
8. There will be a 15 min per species time limit for all species in the show
9. This is strictly a showman ship contest. Due to this, no grooming shall be considered in the judging. All contestant animals are to be clean, brushed and combed, no elaborate grooming shall be permitted.
10. Each species will be shown under the appropriate guidelines of that species, and to the preference of the judge.
11. The contestants will score 100% on showmanship and knowledge exhibited to the judge. There will be 2 judges (1 for small animals and 1 for large animals)
12. An award will be presented to the first-place individual. Other awards for contestants may be presented.
13. In the event of a tie the judges will present a question to contestants.
14. The Supreme Showman contest will be held on Friday of the Fair in the Show Arena at the published time.

THANK YOUR AWARD SPONSOR

Don't forget to send a **THANK YOU** note to your award sponsors. Sponsors' names are printed on the bottom of the awards. Your appreciation may encourage them to sponsor again next year.

Your note can make a difference!

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THANK YOUR AWARD SPONSORS

Don't forget to send a **THANK YOU** note to your award sponsors. Your appreciation may encourage them to contribute again next year. Your notes can make a difference!

Award sponsors' information is attached to the award that you received.

7 STEPS TO A GREAT THANK YOU NOTE

- 1 A greeting to the thank you note recipient
- 2 Specific reason you are thanking them
- 3 The reason you appreciate them
- 4 How you plan to use the gift or why the gift was important to you
- 5 A comment or detail about yourself
- 6 A repeat of your thank you
- 7 A closing and signature of your name

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DEADLINE
4-H
September 8

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Auburn in 46706
Permit No. 80

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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215 East 9th Street—Ste. 300
Auburn, IN 46706