

# 2024-25 Floyd County 4-H Clubs



**Sign up at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com) to attend these 4-H clubs.** 4-H members do not have to attend a 4-H club or own an animal to participate. Watch Facebook or check our website for upcoming workshops and events.

**Bailando Lamas** - A club for youth in grades K - 12 to focus on caring for, training and showing llamas and alpacas. Meetings are held at Newlin Hall. While meetings and activities are geared solely toward learning about llamas & alpacas, members are encouraged to participate in all 4-H projects. For more info contact Abby Kreutner, [abigailkreutner@gmail.com](mailto:abigailkreutner@gmail.com) or Kendall Lanham, [llamamama1998@gmail.com](mailto:llamamama1998@gmail.com)

**Blazing Saddles Horse & Pony** - A club for youth in grades K - 12 that want to learn about horses. Meetings will begin in the spring working with horses and preparing for the fair. Youth are not required to own a horse to participate in the club. Contact Shanna McKim, 502-379-1127 or [4hhorsebowl@gmail.com](mailto:4hhorsebowl@gmail.com)

**Bullpups:** A club for grades K-12 interested in learning crafts and other static projects. Crafts include: leatherwork, basketry, sewing, knitting, crocheting, consumer clothing (care of purchased clothing and modeling the clothing), jewelry making, tie dye, painting and other fine arts, Please contact Cora Flispart at 812-945-7286 or [cflispart@gmail.com](mailto:cflispart@gmail.com).

**Farm Friends** - A club with a focus on middle school youth who are interested in all projects and activities. This club meets approximately once a month in the Georgetown area during the school year. Club meetings will have a focus on activities and education related to farming (gardening, animals, foods, crafts, etc.) and nature (forestry, geology, wildlife, etc.). Parents are encouraged to attend and participate in activities with the youth members. Contact Melissa Dragoo at [Farm.Friends.4H.Floyd.County@gmail.com](mailto:Farm.Friends.4H.Floyd.County@gmail.com) for the next club meeting.

**Jr. Leaders** - A club for youth in grades 7-12 to provide adult 4-H volunteers with additional assistance in 4-H clubs, as well as assisting with county activities. Jr. Leaders also serve as mentors and role models to the younger 4-H members by sharing their experiences with them. Activities include fundraising, community service and project development. Meetings are at the Optimist Club at 6:45 PM. first Thursday of each month. Co-Leaders are Jamie Schillmiller, [jamieschil@hotmail.com](mailto:jamieschil@hotmail.com) or Kristi Kunaschk, [kristi.kunaschk@gmail.com](mailto:kristi.kunaschk@gmail.com).

**Optimist 4-H Club** - A club for youth in grades K - 6, who are interested in working with various projects and participating in community service activities. The club meets monthly at the Georgetown Optimist Club, the 2nd Thursday at 6:30 PM. Youth can create project material to exhibit at the fair, participate in crafts, cooking, demonstrations, and individual and group projects. Bev Oehrle 502-345-7569.

**Rabbit Club**- A club for grades K-12 who want to learn how to care for and show rabbits in a 4-H setting. Contact Erin Uhl at [ethackeruhl@gmail.com](mailto:ethackeruhl@gmail.com) or Matt Uhl, [muhl24@gmail.com](mailto:muhl24@gmail.com) for more information.

## **Shooting Sports -**

- **Archery -Safe Shooters** – This is a club for youth in grades 3 - 12 who are interested in learning about and developing their archery skills under the guidance of certified instructors. **Archery** meets at the Georgetown Optimist Club. Dates vary, normally the 3rd or 4th week, Sunday to Wednesday, 6-7:30. No meetings held in June or July. Contact Bev Oehrle 502-345-7569 for details.
- **Firearms-Safe Shooters -** This is a club for youth in grades 3 - 12 who are interested in learning about and developing their firearms skills and safe handgun practices under the guidance of certified instructors. Firearms meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6-7:30 PM at the Indian Creek Shooting Center, Gun Club Rd, Georgetown, Indiana. For details contact: Drew Terrell [drew.terrell@samtec.com](mailto:drew.terrell@samtec.com)

**Shamrocks 4-H Club** – Is a universal club for grades K - 12 who are interested in all projects and educational field trips. Meetings will be held once a month on Saturday morning at Purdue Technology Center at 3000 Technology Avenue, New Albany Indiana. For more information contact: Kyla McCollum, [shamrockclub2023@gmail.com](mailto:shamrockclub2023@gmail.com)

**Floyd County 4-H STEM Bots** empowers children in 1st – 12th grade to be independent problem-solvers, while working cooperatively with their peers on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math activities. Each month will feature a different themed activity which will require them to be constructive, creative, and think strategically. Sample topics include: robotics, coding, science experiments, engineering challenges, math games, and STEM career exploration. There is a \$25 annual fee to cover material costs in addition to the \$20 4-H membership fee, which allows children to participate in other clubs and state competitions. STEM Bots meet the third Saturday of each month from 9:30 am - 11:30 am at the Purdue Technology Center (3000 Technology Ave in New Albany). Please contact Laura Swessel, [swessel1@hotmail.com](mailto:swessel1@hotmail.com) or Sam McCollum: [mccolluj@purdue.edu](mailto:mccolluj@purdue.edu) with questions.

**Floyd County eSports 4-H Club** is a competitive video gaming club that is more than just playing games. Grades 3-12 learn teamwork, strategic thinking & effective communication as they work together to achieve common goals. It also offers a unique platform for students who may not be involved in traditional sports to find their niche, build confidence and connect with peers. Beyond the screen eSports can foster leadership, improve problem-solving and even open doors to scholarships and careers in the expanding digital landscape. Meetings are held at the Floyd County Library in New Albany. Leaders are: Grades 3-6 Kathryn Hayley, [kathaley122@gmail.com](mailto:kathaley122@gmail.com). Grades 7-12 is Terry Becker, [tdbecker@twc.com](mailto:tdbecker@twc.com)

**Floyd County 4-H Dog Club:** Train Your Pup and Develop Life Skills!

Join the Floyd County 4-H Dog Project and embark on a fun, hands-on learning experience for youth in grades K-12! This program goes beyond just training your dog - it helps you develop valuable life skills.

### **Curriculum:**

- **First Year:** Master the fundamentals! Learn to train your dog to respond to seven essential obedience cues, fostering nonverbal communication with your furry friend.
- **Second Year and on:** Take your skills to the next level! You'll explore advanced dog training techniques and teach your dog more complex obedience exercises.
- **Group Activities:** The fun doesn't stop there! Participate in engaging activities like dog games, pursuing the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certification, teaching tricks, and even participating in pet therapy sessions.

## **Floyd County 4-H Dog Club—Continued**

### **Learning Beyond Training:**

The program goes far beyond basic commands. You'll delve into:

- **Dog Care:** Learn to assess vital signs, understand dog body systems, manage the needs of older dogs, and even identify dog ownership laws.
- **Responsibility & Planning:** Create a dog care budget, research common dog health problems, conduct a safety inventory for your dog, and select the right food.
- **Project-Based Learning:** Develop an exhibit on a specific topic like dog breeds, safety tips, or proper socialization - all while honing your research and presentation skills.

### **Requirements & Contact:**

All participating dogs must have the completed 4H671W Dog Vaccination form. You can find it online at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-dog.html> or by contacting the Extension Office.

The club meets once a month through December, with more frequent meetings starting in January. Meetings are held at the Floyd County Fairgrounds and led by Candy McKing, a (CPDT-KA) and AKC evaluator and exhibitor. You can reach her via email at [cmcking2004@yahoo.com](mailto:cmcking2004@yahoo.com)



Sign up at <https://v2.4honline.com>

Questions? Contact Sam McCollum  
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- Keep up with events on Facebook & Floyd County website is <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/floyd/>
- 4-H program year runs from October 1 – September 30. Once signed up a 4-H leader should contact you to verify next club meeting date, time & location.
- The yearly 4-H program fee is \$5 for grades K-2 and \$20 for grades 3-12. The best and quickest way to pay the fee is by credit card with online enrollment or if you prefer pay with cash or check at the Floyd County Extension Office. There could be a nominal charge for some of the 4-H project manuals that 4-Hers may choose to purchase. However, some are free downloads found on <https://>

## **What do the four H's stand for?**

**Head-** 4-H gives you the opportunity to think and learn about new and exciting things.

**Heart-** 4-H encourages positive relationships between you, your peers, adults and your community.

**Hands-** 4-H focuses on hands-on learning and serving.

**Health-** 4-H helps you learn about making choices for a healthy lifestyle.