



Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection



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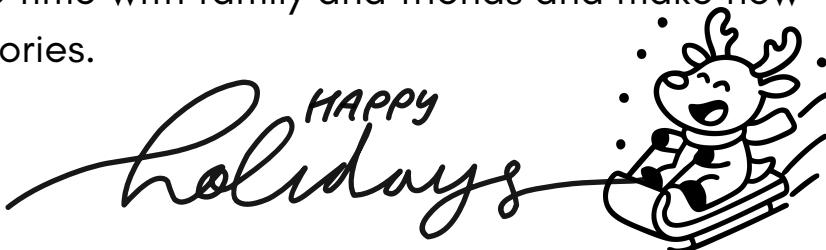
A SEASON OF CELEBRATION!

Welcome by Ashley Alexander - 4-H Educator

As we just finished the Thanksgiving holiday, many of us look forward to spending more time with family and friends celebrating the Holiday Season. No matter how you celebrate, I want to wish you all a Happy Holidays!

Looking forward to the New Year, I encourage you to get your 4-H Enrollment in! We have a lofty goal of 1,500 4-H members and volunteers by 2026, and we need YOUR help! Sign up for 4-H and bring a friend to enjoy the experience with! I hope that you will fully embrace this opportunity to meet new people and learn new things.

Until next year, I wish you all a great season and be safe no matter how you celebrate. Spend some time with family and friends and make new memories.



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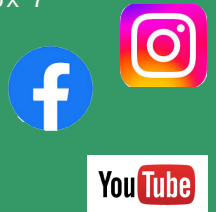
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Extension Office Info

**The Extension Office will
be closed December 24th
-26th in observance of
Christmas and January
1st -2nd in observance of
the New Year**

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Open 8 AM — 4 PM
Monday—Friday
<https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS>
<https://v2.4honline.com>



4-H Opportunities

Blessing Boxes!

As we colder weather approaches and we near the holidays, we need your help in keeping the Blessing Boxes stocked! Remember to donate **ONLY non-perishable** items such as boxed and canned goods. Donations can be left in the Blessing Boxes or dropped off in the Extension Office. Thank you for helping those in the community that need it!



NOTE
please be mindful
that glass jars will
shatter in extreme
cold!

We will also take
personal care and
hygiene items!

We appreciate and thank each and every person, family, club, or group that has donated to our Blessing Box!!

Please remember that we also now have a pet box! Please add pet supplies to the BLUE box and bless the furry friends of our community!



We Need YOU!

Are you interested in helping with a 4-H Club or leading 4-H project workshops throughout the year?

We have numerous clubs and projects that need additional adult volunteer help! Needs range from club leaders or co-leaders to just lending a hand to help with meetings and workshops. Contact the Extension Office for more information.



4-H Scholarships



State and Local Scholarships are now available!

You can find state scholarships at:

<https://hendricksco4h.com/4-Hscholarships26>

These State Scholarships are due January 25th!

Applications must be submitted on 4-HOnline!

You can find links to our local scholarships

<https://hendricksco4h.com/localscholarships26>

Be sure to follow the application deadlines!

More applications will be added as they become available.

4-H Open Enrollment



4-H Enrollment is OPEN! Help us meet our goal of 1,500 4-H members and volunteers in 2026!

Enroll on 4-H Online at: <https://v2.4honline.com>

Volunteers must re-enroll each year and stay current on training.



4-H Information

MINI 4-H

Hendricks County Mini 4-H is for children in grades 1 or 2 as of January 2026. Mini 4-H members meet once a month from February to May from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (unless stated otherwise).

You can sign up your Mini 4-H'er at: v2.4honline.com (they can be on the same account as regular 4-H members). Please choose "Hendricks County Mini 4-H" as your primary club so you can get all the details on meetings and more!

Mini 4-H Clover Corner



Mini 4-H'ers!

Keep a lookout in your mailbox in November and December for a special Mini 4-H Newsletter called the "Clover Corner"! This will have important Mini 4-H dates, information, and activities!

MINI MEETING DATES

February 10

March TBD

April 13

May 21

All regular meetings will be
6:30-7:30 PM

June 16 – Mini 4-H Day
Camp (9 AM to 12 PM)

**Junior
Leaders**
INDIANA 4-H



2026 Jr. Leader Meeting Dates:

December 2, 2025

January 22

February 12 (NEW DATE)

March TBD

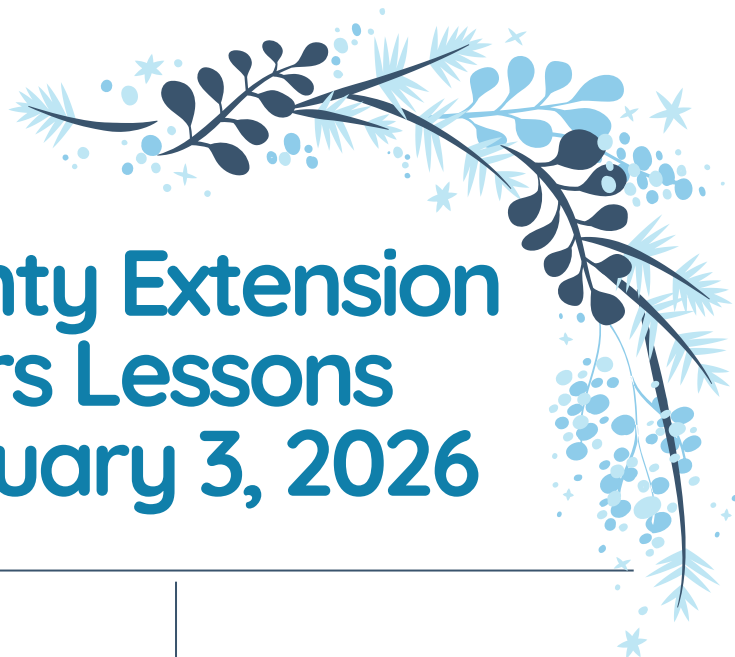
April 16

May 19

June 8

All Meetings 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Jr. Leaders is open to youth in grades 7-12 who are interested in taking more of a leadership role in the 4-H Program! We meet monthly and do monthly community service projects. Be sure to sign up for "Junior Leaders" on 4-HOnline when enrolling in projects!



Hendricks County Extension Homemakers Lessons Tuesday, February 3, 2026

1:00 PM



Let's Sharpen Our Memory

Ever find yourself forgetting names, misplacing keys, or losing track of your to-do list? Don't worry - it's more common than you think! But what if you could boost your memory in fun, effective ways? Join us as we dive into techniques designed to enhance your memory skills. Through interactive activities, relationship building techniques and creative strategies, we'll explore practical ways to keep your mind sharp and your memory stronger than ever.

2:00 PM



Mediterranean Diet & Health Benefits

This lesson explores the history and cultural significance of the Mediterranean diet, highlighting its origins and evolution over time. Participants will learn practical ways to incorporate Mediterranean-inspired foods into their daily meals, focusing on whole grains, lean proteins, healthy fats, and fresh produce. Additionally, the session will cover the scientifically supported health benefits of this eating pattern, including its role in heart health, weight management and chronic disease prevention.

6:00 PM



Strategies For Living on Less

1 Tips and strategies for stretching your income in the areas of food, utilities, cleaning products, personal care items, clothing and entertainment will be shared during this interactive program. Living on less does not have to mean doing without. Join us to learn how to enjoy your current lifestyle while spending less money. If you have a favorite saving tip, please bring that to share as part of the program.

WHERE: HENDRICKS COUNTY 4-H
FAIRGROUNDS & CONFERENCE
COMPLEX, DANVILLE, IN

Questions? 317-745-9260 or
hendrces@purdue.edu

There is no cost to participate, but registration by January 27 is required to allow educators to prepare adequate materials. Scan the link to register or call the Hendricks County Extension Office at 317-745-9260.





Seeking Participants for

Purdue Extension

Master Gardener Basic Training

Registration Deadline:
January 14th, 2026

Every Monday from
January 26th- May 4th



Request or Complete the Master Gardener Class Application to begin registration

Cost: \$185

Participants must be 18 or older to apply. For further information or accommodations to participate in the program, please contact Jeff Pell or Hendricks County Extension office.

Jeff Pell, jpell@purdue.edu, 317-745-9260

**Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds
and Conference Complex 1900
East Main Street Danville, IN 46221**

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CLASS TOPICS

- **Composting**
- **Soil & Plant Nutrition**
- **Plant Science**
- **Plant Disease Diagnosis**
- **Lawn Care**
- **Weed Identification & Control**
- **Insect Identification & Control**
- **Animal Pest/ Invasive Species**
- **Pollinator/ Pollinator Protection**
- **Fruit Gardening**
- **Pesticide Safety & Pesticide Alternatives**
- **Vegetable Gardening**
- **Woody- Ornamentals**
- **Herbaceous Ornamentals**



NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION



Are you new to Hendricks County, or would you like some more guidance on what to expect in 4-H?!? This meeting is for YOU! Our Extension Educator, Ashley Alexander, will be hosting a New Family Orientation on **Tuesday, January 20th at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Center**

Mini 4-H: 6-6:45 p.m.

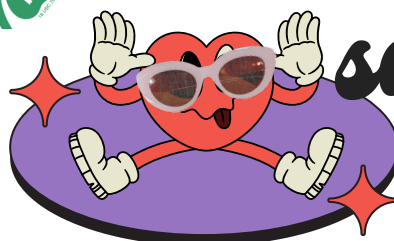
Regular 4-H: 7 p.m.

We will have New Family Guides available, and will be able to answer the questions that you may have regarding 4-H.

4-H HENDRICKS COUNTY



APPAREL



Some options available are:

- t-shirts
- long sleeves
- crew neck sweatshirts ****NEW OPTIONS****
- hoodie sweatshirts
- sweatpants
- shorts
- ¼ zip sweatshirts
- full zip soft shell jackets
- polo shirts

scan to order!



December Dates

4 - Sew Savvy Workshop - 6:00pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
4 - Shooting Sports Meeting - 6:30pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
8 - Fairboard - 7:00pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds

January Dates

6- Sew Savvy - 6:00pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
14 - Washington Winners Meeting - 6:30 pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
14 - Robotics 101 Workshop - 6:30 pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
15 - Shooting Sports Meeting - 6:30pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds
22 - 4-H Explorers Meeting - 7:00pm @ HC 4-H Fairgrounds

4-H Youth Council

January 26th

7pm



4-H Adult Leaders

January 15

7 p.m.



4-H Fairboard

December 8th

7pm



4-H

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED



18 USC 707



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CLUBS

- Gifted 4-H'ers
 - The Gifted 4-H'ers Club is seeking a co-leader to help facilitate meetings in the Danville area.
- Working Wonders
 - Working Wonders is seeking one or two club leaders looking to serve youth in the Clayton Area.
- Possible new Stilesville/Amo Club volunteers needed

PROJECT ADVISORS

- ATV: Safety Co-Leader
- Bicycle
- Computers
- Entomology
- Forestry
- Geology
- Health
- Our Environment (Recycling)
- Shooting Sports (Volunteers/Instructors)
- Small Engines
- Sportfishing
- Veterinary Science

STEM VOLUNTEERS

We are seeking an energetic STEM volunteer to help facilitate workshops. Workshops are frequently held during Spring Break and in the Fall. More workshops can be added as the leaders deem appropriate.

MINI 4-H VOLUNTEERS

We are in search of help to facilitate our ever-growing Mini 4-H Program! Our Mini 4-H'ers meet once a month beginning in February and have meetings through the beginning of June.

GENERAL VOLUNTEERS

We are always looking for general volunteers to help where needed! This could be serving on a committee or helping at the fair. If you are interested in helping our rapidly growing program, call us to get more information!

CONTACT US 317-745-9260
TO VOLUNTEER hendrces@purdue.edu



HOLIDAY FEST

Friday, December 5, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



**Hendricks County Conference Center
4-H Fairgrounds**

**Hendricks Power Expo Hall
1900 East Main Street Danville, IN 46122**

FREE ADMISSION

CookieWalk

*Homemade cookies for sale.
Sales begin at 9:00 a.m.*

Hot Cocoa Booth

*Hot cocoa and individual Santa
cookies for sale.*

Craft Booths and Entertainment

*Select unique holiday gifts from many vendors with free gift wrapping available.
Enjoy holiday music from the Homemakers Chorus. Visit with Mrs. Claus.*

Lunch Served 11a.m. – 1p.m.

**Chicken and Noodles!!
Vegetable Soup, Hot Dogs, Coneys**

For more information contact the Extension Office at 317-745-9260.



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Hendricks Power Cooperative**

