

# JASPER COUNTY 4-H



Fall 2025 Newsletter

**IT'S TIME TO SIGN UP FOR 4-H!**



4-H Enrollment officially opens October 1<sup>st</sup>! While it's always a good time to join, you'll get the most out of your 4-H year by signing up early in the fall. In 4-H, kids in grades 3-12 can explore their interests and develop leadership skills alongside their peers and caring adult mentors. [Mini 4-H is for kids in 1st and 2nd grades to get a taste of the 4-H experience!] The website address is: <https://v2.4honline.com>



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## **HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED VOLUNTEERING?**

Jasper County 4-H program has a lot to offer the youth of this county and currently, we have over 60 different projects offered to our members. Sometimes, although a 4-H member is interested in a project, he or she might not have someone that is knowledgeable in that project to help them along the way. This is where our adult 4-H Project Volunteers come into play! Our 4-H project volunteers are there to help answer any questions a 4-H member has or give them some guidance on their project. Some of our project leaders offer classes or workshops to give demonstrations on techniques, share general knowledge of a project, or do some hands-on activities. The possibilities are endless! If you are interested in becoming an adult volunteer below are some project areas we are in need of some adult leadership:

aerospace, various arts and crafts, beekeeping, cake decorating, cats, computer, consumer clothing, creative writing, entomology, foods, forestry, garden, geology, gift wrapping, health, home environment, photography, recycling, scrapbooking, small engines, soil and water science, sports, sportfishing, taxidermy, weather

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Project Volunteer or have additional questions, please contact Peyton Newman at 219-866-5741 or [newman84@purdue.edu](mailto:newman84@purdue.edu). We are also looking for a few adult volunteers to become leaders of 4-H Clubs!

## **INDIANA STATE FAIR RESULTS!**

Indiana State Fair 4-H results are now available on the State 4-H webpage which can be found at:

[https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/fair/fair-results.html?fbclid=IwY2xjawMMdzpleHRuA2FibQkxMQABHkN1esIAE3W3WB2gkP85\\_gjeLaCO6R0U30IFBgiVemDmhrhU2160skvEAXN\\_aem\\_t.pAqJRpPLan9pYrtneSw](https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/fair/fair-results.html?fbclid=IwY2xjawMMdzpleHRuA2FibQkxMQABHkN1esIAE3W3WB2gkP85_gjeLaCO6R0U30IFBgiVemDmhrhU2160skvEAXN_aem_t.pAqJRpPLan9pYrtneSw)

### **Congratulations to all of our Jasper County Exhibitors!**

Projects are awarded the following ribbons:

- Green - does not meet project requirement/perishable/missing requirement information
- White - barely meets the requirement
- Red - meets requirements, average quality work
- Blue - very complete exhibit and well-done
- Special Merit -Exceptional Blue quality exhibit
- Sweepstakes - One selected per Project Subject as overall best





OUR VERY OWN JASPER COUNTY 4-HER, COBY KOHLHAGEN, WAS AWARDED A VERY SPECIAL AWARD AT THE 2025 INDIANA STATE FAIR! COBY WAS AWARDED THE STATE 4-H LEADERS CHOICE AWARD FOR HIS BEGINNER COLOR SALON PRINT. HIS PROJECT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED OVER THE NEXT YEAR BY BEING DISPLAYED AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY IN THE STATE 4-H OFFICE IN THE AGRICULTURAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. CONGRATULATIONS COBY!



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO MICHELLE MULHERN FOR ALL OF HER YEARS OF LEADING THE HORSE AND PONY MEMBERS AS PROJECT LEADER. ALTHOUGH THIS WAS HER FINAL YEAR AS THEIR LEADER, WE ARE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL FOR ALL OF THE TIME AND SERVICE SHE HAS PUT IN OVER THE YEARS! WE WISH YOU THE BEST MICHELLE!



## JOIN JUNIOR LEADERS!

Interested in Being a junior leader? Jr. Leaders is a group of motivated 4-H members from all over Jasper County who serve their 4-H program and community all year long. Jr. Leaders are involved in multiple 4-H activities, participate in community service activities, serve in leadership roles within their clubs, and oftentimes become mentors for younger members. Any 4-H member in grades 7-12 may become a Jr. Leader. To become a Jr. Leader, you must enroll in the Jr. Leader project when you enroll in 4-H. If you would like to visit a couple of meetings before you enroll, you are more than welcome to join us! Here are the meeting dates scheduled for the 2025/2026 year:



### Junior Leader Meeting Dates

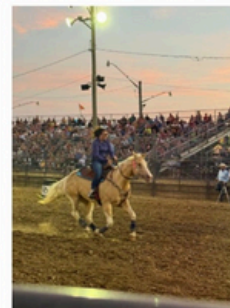
October 13	November 10	December 8
January 12	February 9	March 9
April 13	May 11	June 8
July NO MEETING	August NO MEETING	

All meetings will be at 6:30 CST in the Community Building on the Fairgrounds (unless announced otherwise.)

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SAVE THE DATE  
*Jasper  
County Fair*  
July 25-Aug.1, 2026



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