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Indiana 4-H QLC Program

All 4-H youth enrolled in a Livestock Project (Beef, Dairy, DCFS/Dairy Beer, Goat, Poultry Rabbit, Sheep and Swine) must be certified in the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program 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. The cost of the online YQCA course is \$12. After completing the course, you must email the 4-H Educator (adferrel@purdue.edu) your certificate to receive credit.

If you prefer to take the in-person, instructor-led Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program, the cost is \$3 per member (exact change, please) and will be located at the Purdue Extension Office-Kosciusko County at 202 W Main St, Warsaw, Indiana.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program training sessions for 2024:

- Monday, March 11 @ 6pm
- Thursday, April 25 @ 6pm
- Thursday, May 9 @ 6pm

Remember, in order to exhibit your Livestock Project at the 2024 Kosciusko County 4-H Fair, you must complete the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program Workshop (or YQCA online). Deadline for completing this is June 15th. If QLC/YQCA is not completed by this date, you will not be eligible for county fair exhibition.

If you have any questions regarding the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program, please reach out to Andrew at the Extension Office or email adferrel@purdue.edu.

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Office Hours:

- Monday Friday
- 8:00am 4:30pm

Office Location:

 202 W Main St Warsaw, In 46580

Office Phone Number:

• 574-372-2340



Livestock Projects

Things to know:

- Besides Ear Notching and 840-RFID tags for Swine, and 840-RFID tags and/or 5-digit county tags for Beef and Dairy Beef Cattle, DNA hair samples are required for all Swine, Beef, Dairy Cattle, Meat Goats and Dairy Beef cattle to be eligible for the Indiana State Fair. Collection envelopes are available at the Extension Office. Deadline to return DNA Envelopes is May 15th by 4:30pm, which is also the deadline to enroll your animals in 4HOnline.
- It is required that all ID information (ear notch, RFID tag number, breed, gender, etc.) must be provided in 4HOnline and on the DNA Envelope for all animals that you want eligible for the Indiana State Fair. Any of this ID information that is missing, incomplete or incorrect will result in ineligibility to show your animal.
- If you are enrolled in the Swine project, be sure to check the ear notches carefully! When purchasing your pig(s), make sure the ear notches match the papers you receive. Do not assume the notches match the paper! If you put the notches in yourself, be sure you put the notch in the correct location of the ear. After the May 15h Animal ID deadline, ear notches cannot be changed, corrected or substituted.
- All Dairy Cattle are required to have an 840-RFID tag to be eligible for 4-H shows and at the Indiana State Fair. This tag will need to be entered along with other required ID in 4HOnline by May 15th. Any of these IDs that are missing, incomplete or incorrect will result in ineligibility to show your animal.
- Poultry Animal ID Enrollment Forms are due by June 1st to the Extension Office. Forms are available at the Extension Office or on the Purdue Extension Kosciusko County website page.
- Please be sure that you read all the general rules in the Kosciusko County 4-H Guidebook, plus all the rules that apply to the projects you are enrolled in.
- Livestock Project Enrollment letters will be hitting your mailboxes in April with all the information you will need to enroll your animal in 4HOnline. If you do not receive a letter for each specie that you are exhibiting, please contact the Extension Office at 574.372.2340.

DNA Sample Envelopes

DNA Sample Envelopes are ready and available at the Extension Office. Stop by to get yours soon. DNA is required for State-Bound Swine, Beef or Dairy Beef Cattle, Sheep, Meat Goats & Dairy Cattle. Deadline to turn in DNA Envelopes is May 15, 2024.

Scholarship Reminder

Deadline for County 4-H Scholarships

• March 15, 2024

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to help with your future college needs.

Premise IBs are Required

Anyone who buys, sells or exhibits livestock must have a Premise ID. A Premise ID is an identification number for the physical location in which animals are housed and is necessary to protect animal agriculture and the livestock industry. In an emergency, animal health officials will be able to rapidly communicate disease spread with producers. All 4-H members are required to know the Premise ID number for the property in which their animals are located and this number is recorded in 4HOnline when enrolling the animals to be exhibited at the 4-H fair and Indiana State Fair.

If you do not currently have a Premise ID number, you may apply for one through the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at Anyone who buys, sells or exhibits livestock must have a Premise ID. A Premise ID is an identification number for the physical location in which animals are housed and is necessary to protect animal agriculture and the livestock industry. All 4-H'ers are required to know the Premise ID number for the property where their animals are located and the Premise ID number is also entered in 4HOnline when enrolling their animals to be exhibited at the 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair. The BOAH staff would like us to remind you to please not wait until the last minute to request a Premise ID. They do the best they can to accommodate, but the calls and emails are quite heavy and they can't guarantee they can generate a premise ID instantly. Go to https://www.in.gov/boah/forms/indiana-premises-identification-registration/ to apply for your premise ID.

You must have a premise ID to show at the Kosciusko County 4-H Fair and the Indiana State Fair for cattle, swine, goats and sheep.

Auction Committee News Blast

Birds are chirping and the days are getting longer! Fair week will be here before we know it! Be on the lookout for an "All Things Auction" flyer coming soon! This flyer will have all the important dates and deadlines that will need to be met in order to be eligible to sell in the premium only auction.



2024 guidebooks

Check out our Kosciusko County 4-H Website to find the online version of our Guidebook. Each of the individual projects are listed in alphabetic order and are hyperlinked to its own PDF file. Find our online Guidebook by going to: https://extension.purdue.edu/county/kosciusko/4-h.html

Printed Guidebooks are also available at the Extension Office. Check with your Club Leader to get your copy. These are a great tool for all of your project needs, including important event dates.

2024 Senions

We have 41 Seniors this year. Please be sure to get enrolled in 4HOnline before it's too late.

You should have received a Senior Spotlight form in the mail, but if not you can find it here: https://extension.purdue.edu/county/kosciusko/20244hstorage/senior-spotlight-fillable1.pdf

It would be amazing if we could spotlight each and every Senior on our Facebook page and in the 2024 Kosciusko County 4-H Schedule of Events Booklet. It only takes a few minutes to fill out the Senior Spotlight form, then just email it to us with 2 pictures.

As a Senior you also have the opportunity to select someone as your Most Influential 4-H Volunteer. Someone that has helped shape you into the person you are today. We will take time to recognize this person at our Annual Public Fashion Revue Night, where you will be able to thank them publicly for their help in your 4-H career and taking the time to invest in you! Don't worry, you won't have to talk, we will do the talking for you. You will just present a token of appreciation to your Most Influential Volunteer. But, we do need to know what to say and you can help with that too. Just fill out the Most Influential Volunteer Form and return it to the Extension Office. https://extension.purdue.edu/county/kosciusko/20234hstorage/most-influential-volunteer-fillable.pdf

Something to be on the lookout for is the 4-H Royalty Contest Application which is open to 8, 9 and 10 year 4-H Members. As a member of the Royalty Court, you will be asked to attend as many 4-H Events as possible, assist in hosting Battle of the Barns, present awards and participate in a radio interview, just to name a few.

And, lastly, as a 10-year 4-H Senior Member, you will have the chance to select your 10-year member gift. Members of 4-H Council love having this opportunity to gift you a token of their appreciation for being part of our 4-H program for 10 years. Wow! That's a long time and you should be so proud of yourselves!

What a great time to be a 4-H Senior Member! Let us do our part of recognizing all of your hard work, by doing your part and filling out the appropriate forms. Let us know what we can do to help make your Senior year the best year yet!

You got this!



4-H Council Annual Fish & Tenderloin Fry

The Annual Kosciusko County 4-H Fish & Tenderloin Fry will be help on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at the Kosciusko County Fairgrounds from 4:00-7:00pm while supplies last. This event is sponsored by the Kosciusko County 4-H Council.

Tickets are available to purchase. Check with your Club Leader or stop by the Extension Office.

Pre-sale for Adults only, children 12 and under purchased at the door.

Carry Out & Dine-In prices are as follows:

Age 13 and Over: \$13.00Age 12 and Under: \$9.00

Thank you for your support and generosity to our Kosciusko County 4-H Program!

State 4-H Trips

There are many opportunities for 4-H members to travel and meet other 4-H members from all over Indiana as well as the USA. State level 4-H programs provide the opportunity for young people to expand their horizons beyond their home community. During these programs led by 4-H volunteers and Purdue University staff and faculty, participants dive deep into various subjects, develop leadership skills, make friends from around the state, and more. To learn more about these available trips visit: https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/state-programs/index.html.

- National 4-H Conference
 - o Graded 9-12
 - o April 19-24, 2024
- 4-H Academy @ Purdue
 - o Grades 9-12
 - o June 12-14, 2024
- 4-H Band
 - o Grades 9-12
 - o June 22-24, 2024
- 4-H Chorus
 - o Grades 9-12
 - o June 22-25, 2024
- 4-H Round Up
 - o Grades 7-9
 - o June 24-26, 2024



March 2024 Calendar

Monday, March 4, 2024

- Electric Engineering STEM
 - o 6:00pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- Claypool Classics Club Meeting
 - 6:00pm
 - Claypool Lions Club, 201 W Calhoun
- Beaver Dam Better 4-H'ers Club Meeting
 - 7:00pm
 - Beaver Dam Community Church
 - 9798 W 1000 S, Akron
- Mentone United Club Meeting
 - o 7:00pm
- First Baptist Church, 206 S Oak St

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

- Swine Workshop
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- Llama Welcome & Enrollment
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall
- · Horse & Pony Mini 4-H Club Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - HFA Building, Fairgrounds
- Horse & Pony 4-H Club Meeting
 - o 7:00pm
 - HFA Building, Fairgrounds

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

- General Projects Committee Meeting
 - 6:30pm
- Extension Office Auditorium
- Goat Workshop
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall

Thursday, March 7, 2024

- 4-H Council Meeting
 - o 6:00pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- Dairy Mini 4-H Workshop
 - o 6:00pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall
- Dairy Workshop
 - 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall

Sunday, March 11, 2024

• Spring Forward

Monday, March 11, 2024

- QLC Training
 - 6:00pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- Swine Committee Meeting
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

- DCFS Committee Meeting
 - 6:00pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- · Goat Club Meeting
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

- Auction Workshop
 - o 6:30pm
- Extension Office Auditorium
- Poultry Committee Meeting
 - o 6:30pm
 - Johnson's House
- Beef Committee Meeting
 - o 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall

Thursday, March 14, 2024

- Mini 4-H Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall & Auditorium

Friday, March 15, 2024

• Beer Dairy Lease Applications Due

Sunday, March 17, 2024

- Syracuse Community Hands Club Meeting
 - 3:00pm
- Wawasee HS Ag Room

Monday, March 18, 2024

- Jr Leaders Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Main Hall
- Dairy Committee Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

- Sidney Triple S Club Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Sidney Fire Station, 103 E Center St
- Goat Committee Meeting
 - 7:00pm
 - Extension Office Room D

Thursday, March 21. 2024

- Shooting Sports Committee Meeting
 - o 7:00pm
 - Extension Office Auditorium

Friday, March 22, 2024

- · Deadline to order chick & ducks
 - Chicks: \$2 each/limit 6
 - https://forms.gle/WsX4WdkECSVYnEAcA
 - Ducks: \$3 each/limit 6
 - https://forms.gle/m8Rfbo4Lar8Y62rEA

Monday, March 25, 2024

- Silver Lake Rambling Farmers Club Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Silver Lake Lions Building, 108 N Harrison St
- Milford Helping Hands Club Meeting
 - 6:30pm
 - Wawasee Bible Church, 2041 E 1200 N, Milford
- 7:00pm
 - O Harvest Community Church, 512 S Seventh
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Tuesday, March 26, 2024

- · Horse & Pony Committee Meeting
 - 7:00pm
 - Shrine Building, Fairgrounds
- Leesburg Mighty Farmers Club Meeting
 - 7:00pm
 - Leesburg UM Church, 111 W Prairie St
- Lucky Lassies & Lads Club Meeting
 - o 7:15nm
 - Extension Office Auditorium
- Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Purdue Extension Annual Meeting

- 3:30pm
- The Barn 1880: Historic Venue
- ° 2076 N 100 E. Warsaw
- RSVP to 574.372.2340
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Saturday, March 30, 2024

- Blacksmith Workshop
 - 8am, 10am or 1pm
 - Blacksmith Shop, Fairgrounds
 - Call Jackie at 574.527.2271 to reserve your spot



Shooting Sports Calendar

| MARCH 2024 BEGINNERS SHOOTING SPORTS | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | | |
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| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | | | |
| 10 | 11 | Beginners Rifle WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | | | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | | | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 Beginners Rifle WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| 31 | | | WRP-Warsaw Rifle & Pistol Club 2141 N 150 W, Warsaw KOSKO-2391 N Fox Farm Rd, Warsaw Jeff Hoover's House-2730 S 550 W, Warsaw | | | | | | |

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | | |
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| 3 | 4 | Pistol WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | | | |
| 10 | 11 | Rifle WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 13 | Shotgun KOSKO 6:30-8:30PM | 15 | 16 | | | |
| 17 | 18 | Pistol WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | | | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 Rifle WRP 6:30-8:30PM | 27 | 28 Shotgun KOSKO 6:30-8:30PM | 29 | 30 | | | |
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Upcoming Workshops

Swine Workshop
Tuesday, March 5, 2024
6:30pm
Extension Office Auditorium

Llama Welcome &
Enrollment
Tuesday, March 5, 2024
6:30pm
Extension Office Main Hall

Goat Workshop
Wednesday, March 6, 2024
6:30pm
Extension Office Main Hall

Dairy Mini 4-H Workshop Thursday, March 7, 2024 6:00pm Extension Office Main Hall



Dairy Workshop Thursday, March 7, 2024 6:30pm Extension Office Ma<u>in Hall</u>



QLC Training Monday, March 11, 2024 6:00pm Extension Office Auditorium



Auction Workshop Wednesday, March 13, 2024 6:30pm Extension Office Main Hall

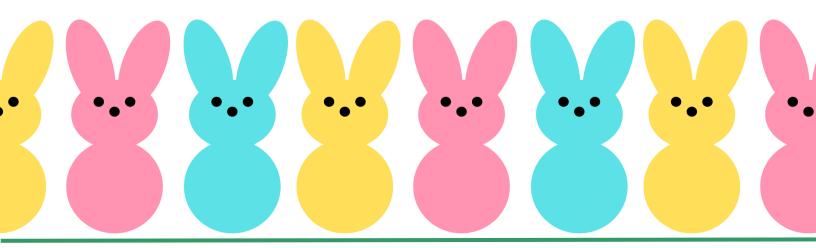


Auction Workshop Monday, March 25, 2024 7:00pm After the Milford Helping Hands Club meeting



Auction Workshop Tuesday, March 26, 2024 7:30pm After the Leesburg Mighty Farmers Club meeting





Upcoming Events



A Taste of Agriculture in Kosciusko County

....a free event featuring food & fun for the entire family!



Tuesday, April 9, 2024 5:00pm - 7:30pm



Kosciusko County Community Fairgrounds 1400 E Smith St, Warsaw

For More Information Contact the Purdue Extension—Kosciusko County Office At 574-372-2340
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Is your Enrollment Complete?

Now is a good time to check your enrollment status as a:

- Mini 4-H Member
- Regular 4-H Member
- Adult Volunteer



You do not want to miss out on any important workshop dates, meeting dates or animal enrollment deadlines by not being completely enrolled in 4HOnline.

Things to check:

- Does it say "Approved" next to your name?
- Have you paid your 4-H fees?
 - o Not sure? Give us a call.
- Have you completed your Adult Volunteer Training?
- Have you turned in your Adult Volunteer Application?

All of these things will hold up your Approval process. Please reach out to our office to check on your status if you are unsure of anything. Call 574-372-2340 or email Tami at graff8@purdue.edu or email Andrew at adferrel@purdue.edu We are happy to help!

Committee Superintendents Contact Information

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- Firm Foundations
 - Club Leader Needed
- Goat Club
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 - Unconfirmed Club Leadership
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