Kosciusko
County 4-H
Royalty Committee

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Dear 4-H Member,

Your dedication and involvement in 4-H have earned you the opportunity to compete in the 2025 Kosciusko County 4-H Royalty Contest! This is an optional opportunity, but if you choose to participate, the enclosed materials will help guide you through the process.

To accept this opportunity, you must

- √ Complete the enclosed application.
- √ Submit an updated copy of your 'My Record of 4-H Achievement.'
- $\sqrt{\text{Read and sign}}$ the 'Behavioral Expectations' form.
- √ Obtain a 4-H Royalty Contest Letter of Recommendation (4-H Club Leader, 4-H Jr Leader Adult Leader, or 4-H Volunteer familiar with your 4-H activities and involvement).
- √ **Attend** the professional interview session
- √ **Participate** in public recognition and coronation ceremony
- √ Check your calendar. Make sure you are available for each event associated with the contest.
- √ **Be willing and available to represent Kosciusko County 4-H** at as many 4-H and 4-H related events as possible during the week of the Fair.

Important Dates & Deadlines

Monday, April 7th: Updated application is available (Online fillable PDF or hardcopy in Extension Office)

Monday, May 12th (4:30 pm): All documents, <u>including Letter of Recommendation</u>, postmarked and/or received by the Extension Office

Thursday, June 19th (6 pm): Interviews & publicity photos at the Extension Office

Thursday, June 26th (6 pm): Recognition & Coronation, Performing Arts Center, Warsaw Community High School **Saturday, July 5**th – **Friday, July 11**th: 2025 Kosciusko County Fair Week.

Contest Process

- ♦ Blind applications are reviewed and scored by a panel of 3 judges (Personal information & names will be removed. Applications are numbered for identification and scored based on the individual's 4-H record).
- ◆ Professional interview with the panel.
- **♦ Coronation followed Fair Week activities**

Incentives

We are very grateful to the Echoes of the Past. They are sponsoring cash awards of \$100 for both the 4-H King & Queen, and \$50 for both the 4-H Prince and Princess. The committee is also working to secure food vouchers for Fair Week and other items for each participant in the contest. • In addition, our fillable PDF follows the Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship application. High School Seniors have a head start on the completion of their application for college financing. • Each contestant will be paired with another contestant and/or Junior Leader. You will not be asked to model (as in a pageant setting).

We are excited to recognize your hard work, leadership, and service to our community. If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely, Buth Lumb

Beth Lamb, 4-H Royalty Contest Superintendent