

# LAKE COUNTY 4-H CLOVER CONNECTIONS

June 2025

## A Note from the Extension Office

Fair season is almost here! This is one of the most exciting times of the 4-H year, and we know our members are hard at work finishing projects, practicing their skills, and preparing for exhibition. Your dedication, creativity, and commitment are what make 4-H so special, and we can't wait to see everything you've been working on.

Let's keep up the great work and head into fair season strong! We're so proud of all you've accomplished so far—keep it up!

LAKE COUNTY  
PURDUE EXTENSION

## JOIN 4-H TODAY

The Lake County 4-H Program welcomes all youth in grades K-12. Scan the QR code to sign up:



## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Scan the QR code below and follow us:



## FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM

Scan the QR code below to follow us:





## UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, June 18 - Poultry Pullorum, Lake County Fairgrounds, 5:00pm-8:00pm

Monday-Wednesday, June 23-25 - 4-H Round Up

Thursday, June 26 - 4-H County Committee Meeting, Extension Office,  
6:00pm-7:30pm

Thursday, June 26 - 4-H Auction Committee Meeting, Extension Office,  
7:00pm-8:00pm

Saturday, June 28 - 4-H Poultry Picnic, Buckley Homestead County Park,  
11:00am-3:00pm

### **PLEASE NOTE!**

Make sure you have the dates above are on your calendar! Please note: The Extension Office will be closed on the following date:

**June 19th- Juneteenth**

**July 4th- Independence Day**



## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

### **Sewing Workshop**

Wednesday, June 18 & June 25

10am at the Extension Office

- Join us for our next Sewing Workshop, whether you're just starting out or want to sharpen your sewing skills, this workshop is for you! Register at <https://sewing6-18-25.4honline.com> or <https://sewing6-25-2025.4honline.com>

### **Open House Workshop**

Thursday, June 19 & June 23

6pm at Jim's Repair, Cedar Lake

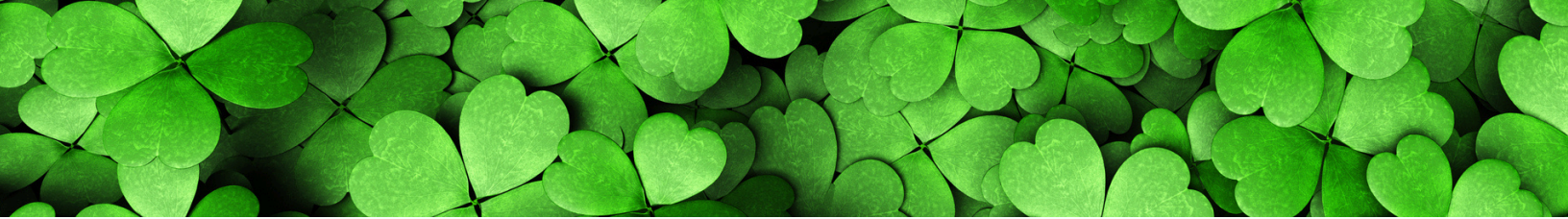
- Sign up for help in Electricity, Genealogy, Computer Science, Wildlife, Forestry, Consumer Meats, or Weather and Climate Science. Parents will be expected to stay with their child. Register at <https://openhouse6-19-2025.4honline.com> or <https://openhouse6-23-2025.4honline.com>

### **Open House Workshop**

Saturday, June 21

10am at Jim's Repair, Cedar Lake

Sign up for help in Electricity, Genealogy, Computer Science, Wildlife, Forestry, Consumer Meats, or Weather and Climate Science. Parents will be expected to stay with their child. Register at <https://openhouse6-21-2025.4honline.com>



## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Due to cost increase, we will now be charging \$5 for the 4-H poster backings. The 4-H poster sleeves will remain \$1.**

### **Achievement Night Date Change:**

- The date for Achievement Night has been changed from July 31<sup>st</sup> to July 27<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

### **Save the Date:**

- The Music Performance is July 26<sup>th</sup> at Plum Grove Music Hebron, IN 46341.

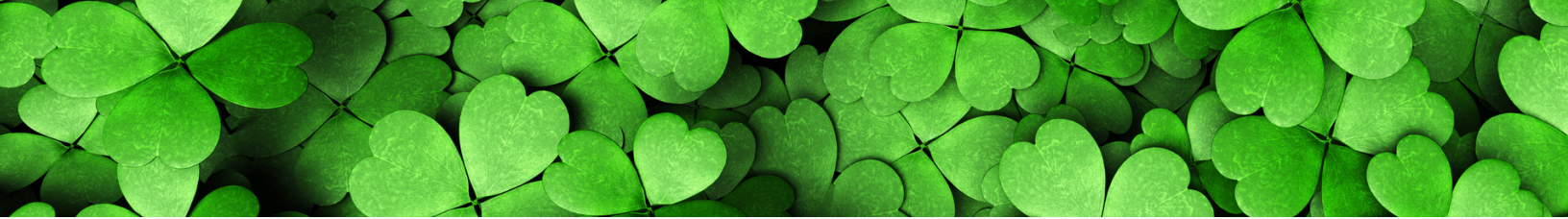
### **Music Solo:**

- The Champion of the Level D Vocal Music Performance will be singing the "National Anthem" at the beginning of Achievement Night the next day.

### **Fair Set Up Date:**

- The date for the 4-H Building setup is on Tuesday July 8th





## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **2026 Handbook Cover Contest:**

- Submit your original design for a chance to be featured on the cover of the 2026 Lake County 4-H Handbook! Must include an image and the text "4-H for All Seasons." The size of the image needs to be 8.5 x 11 inches, vertical orientation. Black and white designs are recommended, as the handbook will not be printed in color. If you include the 4-H clover emblem, it must follow official 4-H guidelines. Limit of two entries per 4-H member. The winning design will be announced at 4-H Achievement Night during the Lake County Fair. The selected entry will be featured on the cover of the 2026 4-H Handbook and may also be used in other promotional materials.

### **Barn Battle:**

- Come Join Us for the 11th Annual Barn Battle. Meet at the Show Pavilion for Shirt Pickup by 9:30am. Register by July 1st to receive a T- shirt. You may still participate after the deadline but a T-shirt will NOT be provided. The cost will be \$5. Please bring cash or make checks payable to Lake County 4-H Club Committee, Inc. The money can be brought to the Extension Office or given to Amy Hein. Please be sure to answer all questions when you register. Ice Cream Sundae Bar to follow event. Questions, please call Amy Hein Wright at 219-808-3980. Please see the flyer below.

Come Join us for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Barn Battle

*This Year is a \$5 per child fee*

**Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10AM**

**Meet in the Show Pavilion-Shirt Pickup starts at 9:30am**

*\*Ice Cream Sundae Bar to follow event\**

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Please detach and return by Tuesday July 1st to the extension Office or Amy Hein. You may still participate after that date but there will not be a t-shirt provided. Please make sure all checks are made payable to Lake County 4-H Club Committee, INC.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Which Barn do you belong to: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size (circle one):      **YOUTH SIZE**      **ADULT SIZE**

**Small**      **Medium**      **Large**      **X-Large**      **XX-Large**



## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

### **FairEntry Closes July 1st!!!**

- FairEntry will be open until July 1<sup>st</sup>. See the judging schedule in your 4-H Handbook (pages 6-7).

### **QUICK VERSION:**

Go to the FairEntry website at <https://lakecountyin.fairentry.com>

1. Sign in using your 4-H Online email and password.
2. Follow instructions on screen to register an exhibitor and then add entries for that exhibitor.
3. Select the department, division, and then the specific class you wish to enter. Repeat as needed.
4. Add other exhibitors (siblings) if needed.
5. When all exhibitors and entries have been added, click "Continue to Payment" (payment due will be \$0.00).
6. When everything is finished, click on the green "Submit" button.
7. You will receive an email when the registration is submitted and then another email letting you know if your entry was approved or rejected. If your entry was rejected, a reason will be listed and you will be able to log in and fix the problem before submitting that entry again. Please contact the Extension Office if you have any problems with this process.

### **IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW:**

- It is easiest if siblings register at the same time and your family submits one registration ticket. Otherwise, you will have to wait until the first one is approved before you can continue (usually 1-2 business days).
- Members must be enrolled in the project in order to enter any exhibit classes in FairEntry. If you need to add a project, contact the Extension Office for assistance.
- The "County-Only Projects" department includes Arts and Crafts exhibits and some Livestock posters, as well as County Projects.
- Check your junk mail folder for confirmations/error messages from FairEntry.



# 4-H Online vs. FairEntry



When do we need to use them? Why do we use them both?

## 4-H Online

### Who?

- Parents/ Families
- ALL 4-H Members
- ALL Program Volunteers
- Specialty Groups

### What?

- Animal Identification
- Selecting project areas to explore.
- 4-H Trips and other events
- 4-H Scholarships Application
- Club rosters for 4-H Leaders

### When?

From start to end of the program year: October through September.

### Where?

<https://v2.4honline.com/>

### Why?

- To express interest in the 4-H Program
- Improved communication between County and State and 4-H Families

## FairEntry

### Who?

- 4-H Fair Exhibitors
- Superintendents
- Fair Judges
- Check-in Volunteers
- Media Outlets for Fair Results

### What?

- Preparation for county fair
- County Fair Project Labels
- State Fair Qualifying Entries
- Livestock Show Bills
- Organization of Fair Results

### When?

Fair Season: Typically May through August

### Where?

Direct link provided by county office  
or

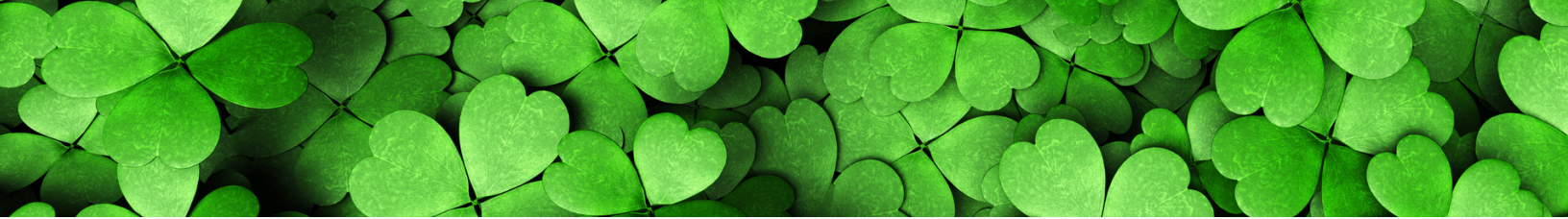
<https://faireentry.com/Public/FindYourFair>

### Why?

- Prepare for county and state fair
- Get accurate numbers for project display purposes, and stall assignments







## UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS

Sunday 6/15 Prime Beefmakers 4-H Club Meeting, Lowell, 2:00pm

Friday 6/20 Rockin' Clovers 4-H Club Meeting, 8651 W 93rd, 8651 W 93rd Ave, St. John, 6:00pm

Sunday 6/22 Griffith Grinners 4-H Club Meeting, 9717 Spring St, Highland

If you have any club or project information that you'd like to share in the weekly email, please let 4-H Secretary Roz Adams [rdcoleman@purdue.edu](mailto:rdcoleman@purdue.edu) know by the 15th day of each month. See the online [Lake County 4-H Calendar](#) at for more upcoming events.

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## FOR MORE INFORMATION

See the complete Lake County 4-H Calendar and more at [bit.ly/48sNJfj](https://bit.ly/48sNJfj). If you are in need of accommodations to attend a program, please contact the Extension Educators at least 14 days prior to the meeting at 219-755-3240.