

LAPORTE COUNTY

4-H Thursday Tidbit



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES



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Things happening in January:

- January 20th | Office Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- January 23rd | Draft Horse Committee Meeting
- January 25th | Camp Counselor Apps Due
- January 26th | Swine Workshop
- January 27th | Mini Monday Craft
- January 30th | Volunteer Series - Handbook Review

Save the Dates:

- February 5th | Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care
- February 20th | Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care
- February 21st | Beef Tagging | Appointment Only
- February 22nd | Beef Tagging | 8 AM to 11 AM
- March 24-28 & March 31-April 4 | Spring Break Camp
- April 5th | Workshop-a-Thon
- April 26th | Feeder Calf Tagging | 8 AM to 10 AM
- May 3rd | Sheep, Swine, Goat Tagging
- May 15th | Livestock ID Deadline
- June 13th | Fair Entry Deadline

Check out our calendar for all 4-H Events & Club Meetings

CAMP COUNSELORS

Deadline for applications is January 25th!
Don't miss the opportunity to be a Camp Counselor! If you are in 7th or 8th grades you can apply to be a Counselor in Training (CIT), 9th to 12th graders apply as a Counselor. You can apply @ <https://2025CampCounselors.4honline.com>
Reach out to Lauren or Kelsey with any questions!

Training Dates are set for:
Saturday March 8th
Tuesday May 6th
Monday June 9th

INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START!

LEARN MORE AT bit.ly/4hscholarship



**Applications are due by
January 25th**

ARCHERY DATES

Archery for grades 3-12th is ready to kick off the 4-H programming year! All meetings will take place at the Small Projects Building at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds. Please make sure you are approved in 4-H Online or you will not be able to shoot.

You can find the sign-up page for Archery here: <https://signup.com/go/SVCwHiC>

Upcoming Dates

January 23rd: Project Work 5th/6th 6-7pm
January 25th: Shoot from 9-Noon
February 6th: Project 3rd/4th 6-7pm
February 8th: Shoot 9-Noon
February 20th: Project 7th/9th 6-9pm
February 22nd: Shoot 9-Noon



VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

Join the Educators and other volunteers to share your ideas for the 4-H program year. Hope to see you at our remaining workshops!

January 30th | 4-H Project Handbook @ the Extension Office | 5:30-6:30pm

April 26th | Judging Clinic (Location and Time TBD)

April 29th | Fair Entry, 4-H Online, and Fair Prep @ the Extension Office | 5:30-6:30pm

Have questions or need resources? Email the office, and we'll be happy to help!



LIVESTOCK PROJECT MEETINGS

January 26th | Mini Equine | Small Projects | 5 PM

January 26th | Poultry | Last day to order Turkeys

January 26th | Swine Workshop | Scarborough Farms | 1 PM

February 9th | Mini Equine | Small Projects | 5 PM

February 13th | Poultry Workshop | Small Projects | 6 PM

February 23rd | Mini Equine | Small Projects | 5 PM

4-H ONLINE LIVESTOCK ID

It is never too early to ID your animal in 4-H Online. If you have your animals or you are bringing an animal you brought last year you can enter them in 4-H Online NOW!

Horses, ponies, mini equine, draft horses, and pygmy goats can be reactivated if you plan to bring them to fair again this year. Even if you are not, it never hurts to have extra animals enrolled.

If you have registered animals that do not have to come to tag in day those can be entered now too!



MINI 4-H CORNER

MINI MONDAY - JANUARY

The January 27th Mini Monday will be a winter craft with snacks as usual! Both sessions still have openings so make sure to register to join in on the fun!

Registration closes January 20th so we can have a headcount.

Follow the link: <https://Januaryminimonday.4honline.com>



MINI PROJECTS

Need help figuring out what projects you want to do? Check out the **Mini 4-H Handbook**. There has been some changes and adjustments so be sure to look it over!

https://extension.purdue.edu/county/laporte/4-h/4h-docs/tidbits-and-archives/2024_2025-mini-4-h-guide1.pdf

MINI LIVESTOCK SHOWS

Mini 4-H'ers must borrow an animal owned by another 4-H member (except poultry & rabbits) **AND** find an older 4-H member to work with the day of show.

Project Update: Animal Education & Livestock Shows

If your member plans on participating in the Mini Livestock Shows the week of Fair, we are strongly encouraging Mini 4-H'ers to complete the new Animal Education project for another educational opportunity. Guidelines for that project can be found on page 6 of the LaPorte County Mini 4-H Guide.

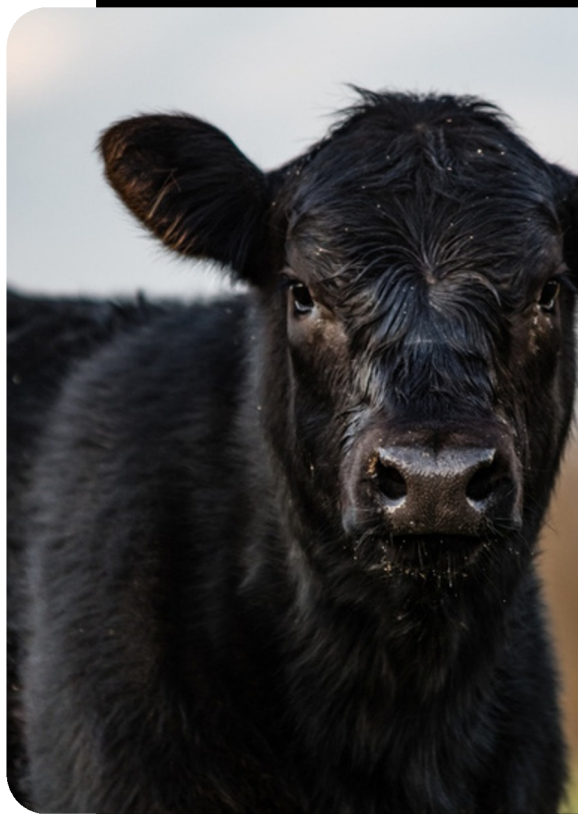


INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE DATES

February 5: 6 PM | LaPorte County Extension Office
February 20: 6 PM | LaPorte County Extension Office
April 5: 10 AM | Workshop-a-thon
April 5: 1 PM | Workshop-a-thon
April 14: 5:30 PM | LaPorte County Extension Office
April 14: 6:30 PM | LaPorte County Extension Office
May 13: 6 PM | LaPorte County Extension Office
June 2: 6 PM | Small Projects Building

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care needs to be completed by June 13. *YQCA can be completely online, we recommend it be completed by June 13.*

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, you will need to log into 4-H Online and find the date you want to register for. If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension Office at 219-324-9407 or visit us at 2857 W. State Road 2, Suite A. LaPorte IN 46350



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SWINE WORKSHOP

JANUARY 26 @ 1:00 PM
SCARBOROUGH FARMS
21634 S. 600 W. LACROSSE, IN



We're thrilled to announce an exciting workshop focused on swine showmanship, inspired by your survey feedback! The Scarboroughs have generously offered their heated shop for this special clinic, complete with live pigs to enhance the experience. We're also delighted to welcome Cara Greiner as our guest speaker. Cara is an accomplished showman with a wealth of experience in competitive pig showing at both state and national levels. She's currently studying Animal Science and Agribusiness at Purdue, where she's also part of the Boilermaker judging team. With impressive achievements like Champion Overall and Reserve finishes at major shows such as NJSA Regionals, NAILE, and the American Royal, Cara is sure to bring valuable insights and inspiration to this workshop. We can't wait to learn from her expertise!



CALL OR TEXT WITH QUESTIONS
DENISE | 219-508-1577
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**REGISTER IN 4-H
ONLINE BY
SCANNING THE
QR CODE**





**INDIANA
PORK**

**JANUARY 30, 2025
9AM TO 4:00PM CST**

SHOWPIG INDUSTRY FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASE TABLETOP

**Registration is free
and lunch provided**

An educational event to prepare and move beyond a foreign animal disease incident impacting the entire pork industry

Reserve your seats by scanning QR Code



**Showpig
Breeders**



**Showpig
Families**



**Commercial
Producers**



**team
pork**

**FAIR OAKS FARMSTEAD RESTAURANT
754 N 600 E, FAIR OAKS, IN**

Participating Certified Indiana Bred Breeders receive a \$150 enrollment rebate!

**Presented by: National Pork Board, Indiana State Board
of Animal Health, Ohio Pork Council, and Indiana Pork**



4-H DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE



7th-12th grade youth are invited to join Indiana 4-H Day At The Statehouse. Youth will tour the building, learn about legislative processes, meet with legislators, and experience Indiana history.



Tuesday February 11th 2025

Cost is \$25

Overnight Accommodations are available for an additional \$25

Space is limited

Register Now!

<https://4HStatehouse2025.4honline.com>





2025 Indiana 4-H Dog Volunteers Workshop

Saturday, February 22, 2025

Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex

Join us for the Annual 4-H Dog Volunteer Workshop! New and seasoned 4-H Dog Project Volunteers, Judges, and Trainers will have the opportunity to enhance their skills and network with each other statewide. If you are a 4-H youth member in grade 8 or above with a passion for volunteerism or judging, you are welcome to attend! However, you must be accompanied by an adult. Register now and enjoy a day of fun, including a catered lunch, a resource folder, and much more. Pitch in desserts are welcome!

Agenda

- Registration: 9-9:50 AM EST Welcome: 9:50-
- 10:00 AM EST Class Rotation 1: 10:00-10:50
- AM EST Class Rotation 2: 11:00- 11:50 AM EST
- Lunch & ISF 4-H Dog Advisory Committee
- Meeting : 11:50- 12:40 AM EST Indiana 4-H
- Rules Review: 12:40-12:50 PM EST Class
- Rotation 3: 1:00-1:50 PM EST Class Rotation 4:
- 2:00-2:50 PM EST Safe Travels Home: 3:00 PM
- EST
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Classes to Include

If you have interest in teaching an additional topic please contact us.

- Bringing the Fun Back to Dog Training
- Socialization Skills
- Drill Team- How to Judge it!
- Judging Showmanship with a mock class
- "Need to Know" Policies for New & Experienced 4-H Leaders
- Advanced Obedience
- Agility Piece by Piece

Registration due by February 19, 2025

Cost: \$15 per participant. Payment due at the workshop, cash or check accepted.

Register via 4-H Online in the Events Tab at 25dogvolunteer.4honline.com

Contact Purdue Extension-Jefferson County for additional questions at (812) 265 8919.



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Upcoming SEWING Meeting

Join us for a 4-H Sewing Meeting where we'll dive into the exciting workshop calendar and explore the key skills for every sewing level. Whether you're just starting out or tackling advanced projects, this meeting is the perfect chance to connect, learn, and gear up for success in your sewing journey.



MARCH 10

6 PM

EXTENSION OFFICE



UPCOMING ROBOTICS MEETINGS

January Meetings

January 23 : 5:30 - 7:30 PM

**This meeting will take place at
the Extension Office**

February Meetings

February 1 : 10 AM - 2 PM

February 7 : 5:30 - 7:30 PM

February 17 : 5:30 - 7:30 PM

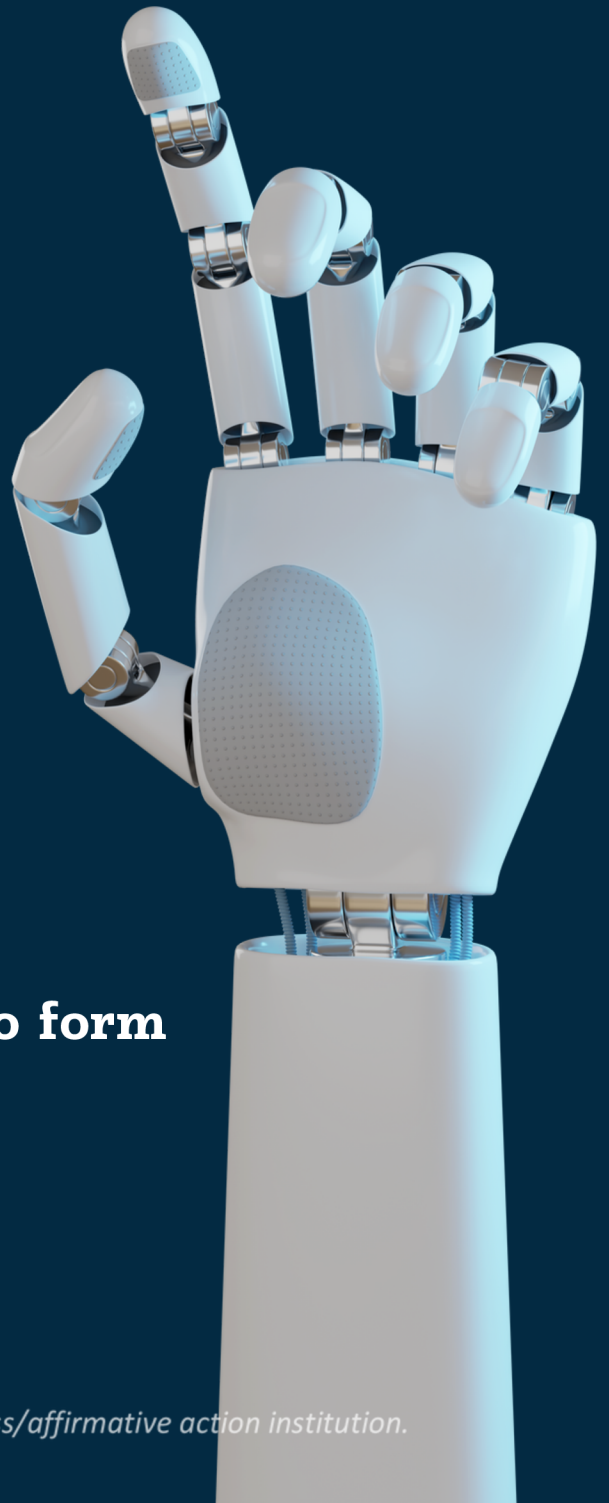
February 22 : 10 AM - 12 PM

**These meetings will take place at
the Small Projects Building**

**These meetings will be used to form
teams for competition!**



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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATING 4-H'ERS!

Congratulations on a great career with 4-H! We are so glad that you were a part of the LaPorte County 4-H experience. We want to recognize all of your hard work during fair by displaying your biography on our TV wall in the Small Projects Building during Fair Week. Our office asks that you fill out our County 4-H Survey as well as the State 4-H Survey below. Those who complete the State survey before April 1st will receive a commemorative tassel.

We look forward to reading about your experience.

COUNTY SURVEY



STATE SURVEY

