

2025 Porter County Pre-Fair and Fair 4-H Schedule

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Wednesday, July 2nd

5:00 pm-?? 4-H Barn & 4-H Exhibit Hall Clean-up/Set-up

Sunday, July 6th

All Day

7:00 pm

4-H Music Project Recital Judging (Expo Center)

4-H Music Project Public Performances (Expo Center – Patio Room)

Tuesday, July 8th

5:30 pm

4-H Verbal Communications Event (Expo Center – Patio Room)

Thursday, July 10th

8:30 am-4:30 pm

10:00 am

7:00 pm

Visit the 4-H Building Office to pick up fair passes and exhibit tags.

Consumer Clothing (Expo Center – Patio Room) (**All Consumer Clothing exhibits due on this date**)

Ag Society Meeting (Expo East)

Friday, July 11th

8:00 am

8:30 am-4:30 pm

7:00 pm

Sewing & Fashion Revue (Expo Center) (**All Sewing exhibits due at this time for judging**)*

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Public Fashion Revue of Sewing Project (Expo Center)

Monday, July 14th

5:00 pm-7:30 pm

4-H Exhibit Check-in for the following projects (4-H Building – **Please enter through SOUTH END of building**): (Aerospace, American Heritage, Barbecue Posters, Basket Weaving, Beekeeping, Bicycle Posters, Cake Decorating, Candles, Cat Posters, Ceramics, Child Development, Collections, Computers, Creative Writing, Decorations, Dog Posters, Electric, Entomology, Farm Scene, Field Crops, Fine Arts-Drawing & Painting, Fire Safety & Safety, Forestry, Genealogy, Geology, Gift Wrapping, Health, Holiday Ornaments, Home Environment (Interior Design), Homemade Toys, Introduction to Horses, Jewelry, Latch Hook, Leadership, Leathercraft, Legos, Llama Posters, Miscellaneous Crafts, Miscellaneous Models, Model Airplanes, Model Bridges, Model Cars, Music Posters, Needlework Photography, Recycling, Scrapbooking, Shooting Sports, Small Animals Notebooks, Small Engines, Soil & Water Conservation, Sport Fishing, Veterinary Science, Weather, Wildlife, & Woodworking). **ALL Mini 4-H exhibits arrive Tuesday, 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, July 15th

10:00 am

4:30 pm

Beekeeping Judging (Expo East-upstairs)

Mini 4-H Aerospace Check-In (4-H Building – Please enter through NORTH END of building.) This gives those who want to participate in the Aerospace flight demonstration time to get down to the event

Mini 4-H Exhibit Check-in (4-H Building - **Please enter through NORTH END of building**.)

*4-H Model Airplanes Flight Demonstration (4-H Building) (**Exhibitors must be present**)

*4-H Aerospace Flight Demonstration (4-H Building) (**Exhibitors must be present**)

*Rain Date: Wednesday, July 16th, time TBD

Wednesday, July 16th

7:30 am- 8:00 am

8:00 am

9:00 am-10:00 am

4:00 pm-8:00 pm

Dog Check-in (Show Arena)

4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship (Show Arena)

4-H Container Gardening, Flowers & Garden Check-in (4-H Building)

4-H Dairy & Meat Goat Check-in

Thursday, July 17th

7:30 am-8:00 am

8:00 am-9:00 am

8:00 am

1:00 pm

3:00 pm

4:00 pm-8:00 pm

8:00 pm

Dog Check-in (Show Arena)

4-H Aquatic Science & Herpetology Check-in (4-H Building)

4-H Dog Agility (Show Arena)

4-H Meat Goat Show (Show Arena)

4-H Draft Horse Show (Horse Arena)

Rabbit Check-in (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)

Dairy Goat pre-show milk out

Friday, July 18th

8:00 am

8:00 am-9:00 am

8:30 am

8:00 am

2:00 pm

5:00 pm-8pm

4-H Dairy Goat Show (Show Arena)

Foods Check-in (including Heirloom Foods) (Expo East-upstairs)

Foods Judging (including Heirloom Foods) (Expo East-upstairs)

4-H Draft Horse Show (Horse Arena)

4-H Rabbit Show (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)

Goat Does check-out

Saturday, July 19th

9:00 am

9:00 am-3:00 pm

10:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 pm

12:00 pm

2:00 pm-4:30 pm

3:00-5:00 pm

5:00 pm

4-H Rabbit Show (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)

4-H Dairy Project & Beef Carcass Class Check-in (Cattle Barn)

4-H Draft Horse Show (Horse Arena) / Released after show

Open Class Rabbit Show

Taste of 4-H Foods Auction (Park Place Pavilion)

Swine can begin checking in

4-H Model Bridge Strength Test (Clover Tent – southwest of Exhibit Building)

4-H Dairy Project & Beef Carcass Class Weigh-in (Cattle Barn)

4-H Dog Show (Show Arena) - agility, drill team, costume, rally fun, etc.

4-H Office Hours at the Fairground

Throughout the fair season, the Extension Office at the Co. Admin. Bldg. is open Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Additionally, members of the 4-H staff will be available at the 4-H Bldg. Office at the fairgrounds at the times listed below.

Th. 7/10 & Fri. 7/11 .. 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Mon. 7/14 1:00 pm-7:30 pm

Tues. 7/15 7:30 am-7:30 pm

Wed. 7/16 7:30 am-5:00 pm

Th. 7/17 - Sat. 7/26... 11:30 am-8:30 pm

4-H Building Exhibit Hours

4-H exhibits are open to be viewed only at the times listed below, July 17th-26th.

Thurs. 7/17 11:30 am-8:30 pm

Fri. 7/18 & Sat. 7/19 .. 11:30 am-8:30 pm

Sun. 7/20 11:30 pm-8:30 pm

Mon. 7/21-Sat. 7/26... 11:30 am-8:30 pm

Sunday, July 20th

7:00 am-12:00 pm Horse & Pony Check-in
8:00 am-11:00 am Sheep Check-in
8:00 am-12:00 pm Swine Check-in
9:00 am 4-H Beef Carcass on Hoof (Show Arena)
12:00 pm-1:00 pm Cat Check-in (Clover Courtyard Tent)
1:00 pm Cat Show (Clover Courtyard Tent)
3:00 pm Swine Scales Open
3:00 pm-8:00 pm Swine Check-in (*Animals will be weighed-in at this time. You are encouraged to bring your animals in earlier in the day to avoid traffic. It is suggested animals be in place by 3:00 pm Questions? Contact your project superintendent.*)
4:00 pm-8:00 pm Beef Check-in

Monday, July 21st

8:00 am 4-H Sheep Show & Lamb Lead – Lamb Lead Entry Deadline 8:00 am (Show Arena)
11:00 am 4-H Horse & Pony Project Test (Horse Arena)
1:00 pm 4-H Horse & Pony Trail Classes (Horse Arena)
2:00 pm Small Animals Judging (Clover Courtyard Tent) (**Exhibitors must be present**)
5:00 pm 4-H Swine Show (Breeding, Showmanship, Carcass on Hoof) (Show Arena)
9:00 pm-10:00 pm Non-Champion Rabbits released

Tuesday, July 22nd

8:00 am 4-H Market Swine Show (Show Arena)
10:00 am 4-H Horse & Pony English Classes (Horse Arena)
1:00 pm-7:00 pm Pigeon & Poultry Check-in (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
5:00 pm-8:00 pm 4-H Poultry Project Posters due (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
5:00 pm 4-H Sheep On-Rail Carcass Judging (Sims Meat)

Wednesday, July 23rd

8:00 am-11:00 am 4-H Beef and Swine On-Rail Carcass Judging (Hanford Packing)
8:30 am 4-H Pigeons Judging (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
9:00 am 4-H Poultry Show (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
10:00 am 4-H Beef Show (Show Arena)
10:00 am 4-H Horse & Pony Western Classes (Horse Arena)

Thursday, July 24th

8:00 am 4-H Dairy Show (Show Arena)
9:00 am 4-H Poultry Show (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
10:00 am 4-H Horse & Pony Halter Classes (Horse Arena)
10:00 am-10:30 pm Carcass Awards Program (Clover Courtyard Tent)
12:00 pm Introduction to Horses (Horseless Horse) Showmanship and In-Hand Trail Classes (Horse Arena)
6:00 pm Celebration Sale (Show Arena)
6:00 pm 4-H Horse & Pony Versatility Classes (Horse Arena)

Friday, July 25th

10:00 am 4-H Rooster Crowing (Rabbit/Poultry Barn)
10:00 am 4-H Horse & Pony Gaming Events (Horse Arena)
12:30 pm Youth Livestock Judging Contest Registration (Show Arena)
1:00 pm Youth Livestock Judging Contest (Show Arena)
7:00 pm 4-H Master Showman Contest (Horse Arena & Show Arena)
10:00 pm Rabbits Released
10:00 pm All Goats released

Saturday, July 26th

[4-H Building info] Exhibits (except for foods) selected for State Fair transported to Indianapolis by Extension staff/volunteers.
(Note: It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to transport large, heavy, or particularly fragile exhibits to the State Fairgrounds.)
6:00 am-8:00 am Poultry Released
6:00 am-10:00 am Beef, Dairy, Sheep, & Swine Released
8:30 am-11:00 am Horse & Pony Released
9:00 am-10:00 am Aquatic Science & Herpetology Released
10:00-10:30 am 4-H Barbecue Set-Up (Clover Courtyard Tent)
10:30 am-2:00 pm 4-H Barbecue Competition (Clover Courtyard Tent)
11:00 am Miniature Equine Check-in (Show Arena)
12:00 pm 4-H Miniature Equine Show (Show Arena)
6:30 pm Mini 4-H (2nd Graders) Graduation (Show Arena)
7:00 pm Battle of the Barns with Senior Recognition at Intermission (Show Arena)
9:00 pm Release of all remaining 4-H livestock

Tuesday, July 29th

5:00-7:00 pm: 4-H Bldg. Exhibit Check-Out (*Exhibits not picked up at this time will be recycled, repurposed, or disposed of.*)

State Fair Exhibit Information

- **Saturday, July 26th:** Exhibits selected for State Fair will be loaded for transport to Indianapolis by Extension staff/volunteers.
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- **Monday, August 4th, 7:00-7:30 am:** Foods and Garden exhibits eligible for State Fair due at 4-H Building
- **Monday, August 18th, 5:30-6:30 pm:** State Fair exhibit pick-up (*Exhibits not picked up at this time will be recycled, repurposed, or disposed of.*)