

MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

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Calendar of Events



MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
-	-	-	-	1 SEI 4-H Camp Registration due	2	3 8:00-11:00 ID Day 10:00 IQLC
4 3:00 4-H Pioneers Meeting 4:00 Pierceville Haypals Meeting	5 7:00 Country Bees Meeting	6 6:30 Ripley Wranglers Mtg 5:30-7:00 Dog Practice	7	8	9	10
11 2:00 Napoleon 4-H Club Meeting	12 7:00 Morris Shamrocks Mtg 7:00 Faithful Workers Meeting	13 5:30-7:00 Dog Practice	14	15 Animal ID due on 4-H Online! State Fair DNA due by 4:00PM	16	17 10:00 Poultry Meeting
18 2:00 Shooting Sports Meeting	19 7:30 4-H Board Meeting	20 5:30-7:00 Dog Practice 7:00 Extension Board Meeting	21 6:00 Junior Leader Meeting	22	23 6:30 Ripley Wranglers Clinic/ Open ride	24
25 1:00 Dream Seekers Meeting	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 5:30-7:00 Dog Practice	28 5:30-7:00 Dog Practice	29	30	31 11:00 Goat Clinic

Can you find the four H's hidden in the newsletter?



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

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Club Meeting Resources:

Song: The Moose Song

Repeat after me song:

There was a great big moose
He liked to drink a lot of juice
There was a great big moose
He liked to drink a lot of juice



I said way-o, way-o
Way-o, way-o, way-o, way-o

That moose's name was Fred
He liked to drink his juice in bed
That moose's name was Fred
He liked to drink his juice in bed



I said way-o, way-o
Way-o, way-o, way-o, way-o

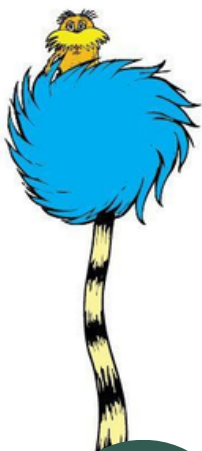
He drinks his juice with care
But he spilled some in his hair
He drinks his juice with care
But he spilled some in his hair



I said way-o, way-o
Way-o, way-o, way-o, way-o

Now he's a sticky moose
Full of juice
And he's on the loose

Inspiration:



"You have brains in your head and feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own, and you know what you know. And you are the guy who'll decide where to go."

-Dr. Seuss

Health & Safety

Pool and Water Safety:

Who: These tips apply to all kids and teens, no matter how good a swimmer you are plus any supervising adults.

Follow these water safety rules anytime you are near water, swimming, playing or even just hanging out:

- Always swim with a buddy and have an adult to supervise
- Wear a life jacket if needed
- Walk don't run when you're near pools to help prevent slips and falls
- Follow all posted signs and listen to lifeguards and adults.

Bonus Tip: Wear bright or neon-colored bathing suits (like orange, yellow, or bright pink). They're much easier to spot in the water if you need help!

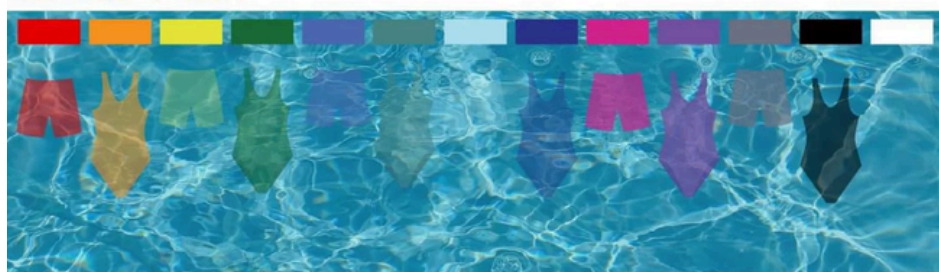
Swimwear Safety



In the Lake



In the Pool



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May 3rd Animal ID Day



ANIMAL ID DAY

for Goats (Meat, Dairy & Pygmy), Sheep, Rabbits,
Dairy Feeder Steers & Beef Feeder Steers

Saturday, May 3, 2025
8AM-11AM

Ripley County Fairgrounds
(525 W Beech Street, Osgood)

ID Day is required to attend! If you have
questions or concerns please call the
Extension office at 812-689-6511

State Fair Livestock Deadlines

For those planning to exhibit animals at the State Fair, some deadlines are quickly approaching.

- 4-H Animal Identification Deadline (on 4-H Online) – May 15, 2025
- State Fair DNA due to Extension Office - May 15, 2025 by 4:00PM
- Indiana State Fair Entry Opens – May 19, 2025 at 10:00 AM
- Livestock Pen/Stall Location Auction – June 29, 2025
- Entry Deadline – July 1, 2025 (Late entries accepted; late fee applies)

Premise ID Requirements

If you are exhibiting livestock at the Fair make sure you know your Premise ID! You cannot exhibit animals without it. This is also required when entering animals on 4-H Online and will be checked to make sure it is correct.

Not sure what your premise ID is or if you have one? Contact BOAH and they will be happy to help. If you have questions about what a Premise ID is, you can call our office at 812-689-6511.



STATE REQUIREMENTS

Premises ID Number

- Premises ID is required
- Easy to obtain through BOAH (Request online at: www.in.gov/boah/2642.htm email animalid@boah.in.gov or call 317-544-2400)
- Please note that a Premises ID number is required to enroll livestock in a 4-H fair

State Fair DNA

Due May 15th by 4p.m. to the Extension Office in the envelope provided by the Extension office.

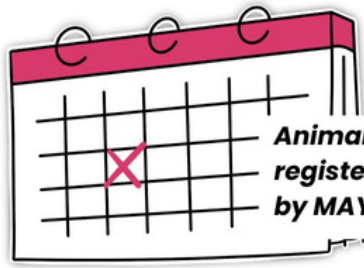
If you plan on taking any animal to the Indiana State Fair, please check the State Fair website to ensure that you get the proper identification for your animal on Ripley County ID day.



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4-H Online Animal ID Deadline



REMINDER

Animals must be
registered on 4-H Online
by **MAY 15TH!**



All livestock being exhibited at the fair **must be registered in 4-H Online by May 15th.** Not doing so will result in a violation of Indiana State 4-H Policy and the Ripley County 4-H Handbook which may result in the ineligibility to show these animals at the fair. If you need assistance with this process contact the Extension Office. **DO NOT** wait until last minute in case you have issues!

Fair Entry

Don't forget the next step in enrolling your 4-H projects! Your **4-H Online enrollment is NOT the same as Fair Entry.**

Often confused, **4-H Online** is used for 4-H Enrollment and Animal Identification.

Fair Entry enrollment tells us the exact projects or animals you plan to bring to the fair.

If you have questions or need help with the Fair Entry process, please call the Extension Office.

Know the difference between 4-H Online vs. Fair Entry

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

Go here to..

- Enrollment in 4-H (4-H members, Mini 4-H, volunteers & judges)
 - Choose your 4-H Club
 - Select 4-H Projects
- Animal ID (Due by May 15th)
- Event Registrations (Camps, Trips, Scholarships)

Helps to..

- Make Completions sheets
- Create Club & Project Rosters for Leaders
- Allow the office to communicate & get information to you

Opens October 1st

<http://ripleycountyIN.fairentry.com>

Go here to..

- Enter each specific project you plan to exhibit
 - select the class/division that each project or animals will be judged in
- See 4-H Judging Results

Helps to..

- Make Exhibit Tags
- Submit State Fair Entries
- Check in Animals & Exhibit Hall Projects
- Create Show Bills
- Enter 4-H Judging Results
- Run the 4-H Auction

Open May 16th - July 8th



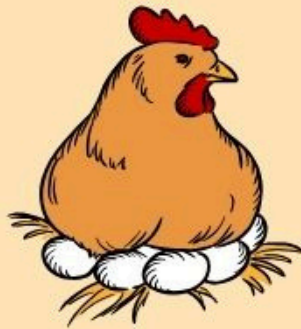
Poultry Meeting



Saturday, May 17th, 2025

@ 10:00AM

**Ripley County Extension
Office Conference Room**



Leaders will be going over poultry project rules, how to wash your birds and will answer any additional questions you may have. Call the extension office with any questions at 812-689-6511



Ripley County Goat Workshop



Saturday, May 31, 2025

11:00AM

Ripley County Fairgrounds

Workshop Topics:

Grooming
Showmanship
Show Day Logistics
Q&A with Leaders

Bring your own goat! This is not required, but will give the opportunity to learn hands on with your own animal. Please call the extension office at 812-689-6511 or your goat leader with any questions.



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Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Classes

INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit **BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, POULTRY,** and **RABBITS**, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training **OR** the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA).

1. This certification must be done on an annual basis
2. Members must be registered **BEFORE** attending a training
3. Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer
OR a training in another county
OR complete the online YQCA training (**Proof of YQCA completion must be submitted to the Extension Office by July 12!**)

Training Dates

Training Locations

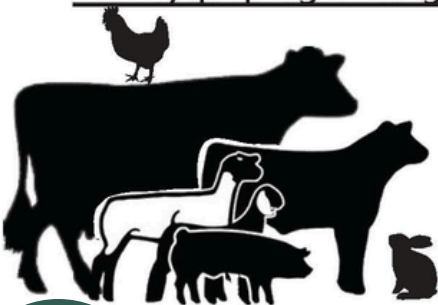
May 3, 2025 10:00am - Extension Office

June 21, 2025 1:00pm - Extension Office

July 12, 2025 11:00am - Homemaker Building

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use v2.4honline.com, look for the events tab, Event name: Ripley County Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care 2025.

Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program, will register at www.yqcaprogram.org and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator.



If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension office

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Livestock Parent Meeting



SAVE THE DATE

JULY 12TH
11:00AM
PARENT MEETING!

To better support our 4-H families and parents, we will be having a livestock parent meeting on Set-up Day July 12th at 11:00AM (Same time that youth will be in IQLC Meeting).

What will be covered at this event...

- Introduction to Superintendents - Who you can ask for help
- What to expect fair week, everything from check-in day, show day, and animal check-out
- Auction Overview
- Questions and Answers

Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to our 2025 scholarship winners!



State Scholarship Winners:

Lloyd Darringer - CES Indiana 4-H Youth Development \$500 Scholarship

Macy Young - Indiana 4-H Leadership Development \$1,000 Accomplishment Scholarship

Hailey Kunz - Robert E. and Maureen K. Anderson Endowment \$1,000 Scholarship

Zachary Hoff - Robert E. and Maureen K. Anderson Endowment \$1,000 Scholarship

County Scholarship Winners:

Hailey Kunz - Brian Evans Memorial \$250 Scholarship

Lloyd Darringer - Osgood Lions Club \$500 4-H Scholarship

Eva Struewing - Ripley County 4-H Corporation Board \$250 Scholarship

Sydney Rohls - Ripley County 4-H Corporation Board \$250 Scholarship

Zachary Hoff - Ripley County 4-H Corporation Board \$250 Scholarship

Henry Koehne - Ripley County 4-H Tractor Supply Paper Clover \$250 Scholarship

Daymon Speer - Versailles Lions Club 4-H \$250 Scholarship

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Mini 4-H Day



Mini 4-H Day

YOUTH: KINDERGARTEN-2ND GRADE
RIPLEY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025
9:00AM-NOON
CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:30AM

Register online by June 13th!

1. Enroll as a mini 4-H member if you have not done so for 2025.
2. Under the events tab select: Ripley County Mini 4-H Day 2025, answer all the questions, and submit.
(Late registration only by calling the office 812-689-6511)

Bounce House
Games & Crafts
Snacks & Animals

If youth are in need of accommodations to attend this program, please contact Baylee Dwenger by June 13th at 812-689-6511 or email bdwenger@purdue.edu.
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Homemaker Scholarship

The Ripley County Extension Homemakers are offering one \$100 scholarship to a graduating senior. Scholarships can be picked up from the Ripley County Extension Office. Eligibility:

- The applicant should be admitted or enrolled in a college, trade school, or apprenticeship program.
- Although not required, special consideration will be given to a person whose family member is associated with Ripley County Extension Homemakers and/or is currently enrolled in the Ripley County 4-H Program.
- Completed Scholarships must be turned into the Ripley County Extension Office by **June, 6 2025**.

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Poster Boards and Plastic Sleeves

Unfortunately the price of poster boards have gone up for this year. Effective November 1st, 2024 poster boards will be \$5 each, sleeves will still be \$2 each, or a set will be \$7.

Ripley County Extension Board

The next Extension Board meeting in May 20th at 7PM in the extension office.

Due to term limits, the Ripley County Extension board has 2 positions open. If you are interested or have any questions about the Extension Board please contact Dave Osborne, osbornda@purdue.edu, or call the office at 812-689-6511. Open positions include Brown Township and Shelby Township.

Swine Tags

Swine Tags are available to pick up at the Extension office. The first 2 tags per 4-H member are free, any additional tags after that are \$3.

REMINDER: animals must be in 4-H Online by May 15th, so be sure to pick up tags in time....



Handbook Amendments / Clarification

- A market heifer class is being added to the beef market animal offering. Beef market heifers can still be added into 4-H Online until the May 15th deadline. Please contact the Extension Office to arrange ID with a Beef Leader.
- Beef feeder calves will be showed by weight in 2025 to better work with the Fair Entry system.
- All beef feeder calves must be cut or banded before arriving at the fair. Intact feeder calves will not be eligible to show and will have to go home.
- Amendment was made to the showmanship rules. To be eligible to compete in beginner, intermediate, senior, or expert showmanship of any species you must be enrolled in and complete the project in some fashion (i.e. bring an animal or poster to the fair). Any 4-H member may participate in novice showmanship by obtaining permission from an animals owner, you do NOT need to be enrolled in the project. A winner will be selected from the novice showmanship class but will not move into the other divisions.



- RIPLEY COUNTY JUNIOR LEADERS -

GOLDEN CAN 4-H CLUB FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE

April 1st to June 18th

A friendly competition between clubs:

The club with the greatest weight in total donations will receive the Golden Can Traveling Trophy and a pizza party sponsored by the Junior Leaders

The 2024 Golden Can Winner was the 4-H Pioneers!



Donations can be made in 2 ways:

1. At your 4-H Club Meeting
2. At the Extension Office.



All non-perishable goods will be accepted.

Donations will go towards the Fight the Hunger Stock the Trailer Food Drive during fair week. Donations stay in Ripley County to help our local community!

Fight the Hunger

STOCK THE TRAILER

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Ripley Wranglers 2025 Club Calendar

May 3-4, 2025- SHOW CLINIC/OVERNIGHT LOCK IN Horse Barn and Arena at the Fairgrounds. Clinic Starts at 10AM will not last longer than 3pm. Club Pitch In Dinner on Saturday night at the barn at 5:30PM. **ALL PARENTS ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PARENT MEETING** on Sat. May 3rd at 6:30PM at the Extension Office! 4-Hers are at the Barn during Parent Meeting doing activities. Pick up 4-Hers at 9am on May 4th!

May 6, 2025- CLUB MEETING Work Detail, Stall/Barn Clean Up, 1st of 3 Safety Meetings, Barn Prep and Clean Work Detail **Demonstrations:** Ashtyn P., Bella S., Mack S., Tinley E. Teagan E. and Emma P.

May 15, 2025- 4-H ONLINE DUE AND LEASE AGREEMENTS DUE TO A LEADER! Log onto 4-H online to pick what projects you are doing for fair AND upload animal information, including vaccination forms, animal photos and lease agreements! Any Lease Agreements **ALSO NEED TO BE GIVEN** in paper form to a LEADER!

May 23, 2025- JUMPING, ENGLISH RIDING CLINIC or OPEN RIDE: 5-7pm Horse Arena at Fairgrounds

June 3, 2025- CLUB MEETING Work Detail, 2nd of 3 Safety Meetings, Area 1 4-H, STALL RESERVATION, STALL FEES AND FAIR SHOWBILL DUE! **Demonstrations:**

June 22, 2025- CONTESTING CLINIC or OPEN RIDE: 1-4pm Horse Arena at Fairgrounds

July 1, 2025- CLUB MEETING Pre-Fair Meeting: ENCOURAGED to ATTEND!! Last of 3 Safety Meetings, Fair Week Prep and Job Duty Sign Up **Demonstrations:**

July 7, 2025- SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC or OPEN RIDE: 6-8pm Horse Arena at Fairgrounds

July 8, 2025- FAIR ENTRY DUE! Log onto Fair Entry between May 16th and July 8th and enter your project information and descriptions. For Ripley County Horse and Pony you **ONLY NEED TO PICK ONE CLASS** for each horse you are planning on showing.

July 12, 2025- PATTERN CLASSES, WESTERN RIDING CLINIC or OPEN RIDE: 10am-1pm Horse Arena at Fairgrounds

FAIR WEEK July 18, 2025- HORSE AND PONY FAIR CHECK-IN: 6-8pm Move horses into the Horse Barn for the entire week of Fair. At Check In, Please turn in ALL Paperwork needed for complete Check In. Hay Bags will need to be approved by a Leader at Check In, too! See a Leader for Questions.

July 19, 2025- ENGLISH AND TRAIL SHOW: Starts at 1pm

July 20, 2025- WESTERN SHOW: Starts at 10am

July 21, 2025- MINI 4-H, VERSATILITY and DRIVING: Starts at 6pm

July 22, 2025- CONTESTING: Starts at 6pm

July 23, 2025- FREESTYLE: Starts at 6pm

July 24, 2025- FUN SHOW: Starts at 6pm

July 25, 2025- MOVE OUT OF FAIRGROUNDS AND RIPLEY WRANGLER

BANQUET Horses can **ONLY** leave between 7-10AM and After 8pm! You will **HAVE TO HAVE A LEADER** APPROVE the cleaning/stripping of your stall **PRIOR** to your horse leaving the Fairgrounds!

Ripley Wrangler's Pitch-In Dinner and Banquet will begin outside the front of the barn at 6:30pm. Last names A-M please bring a **SIDE DISH**, while N-Z brings a **DESSERT**



Updates will be added throughout the year to our calendar. Watch Facebook, Remind and come to meetings to get the latest info!

Feel free to reach out with any questions to the Club Superintendent/Leaders:

Greg Bonfer (812)621.1015 or Sarah Young (812)212.1405

Tractor Schedule



June 21st - 9:00AM Fun Day and driving practice @ Ripley County Fairgrounds

June 28th - 7:30AM County Tractor Contest @ Ripley County Fairgrounds

July 26th - 8:00AM Area Contest @ Decatur County Fairgrounds

Call the Extension office at 812-689-6511 or a Tractor leader with questions.

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Shooting Sports Schedule 2025



Shooting Sports Leaders

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Archery

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Daren Sarringhaus

Shotgun

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Rifle

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Luers48@gmail.com

Bill Jordan

Marksanship

317-525-1102

whjordan333@gmail.com

 facebook.com/RipCoShootingSports

Next Meeting:

May 18th, 2025

Sunman Fish & Game

2:00-4:00PM

Archery and Guns

Upcoming...

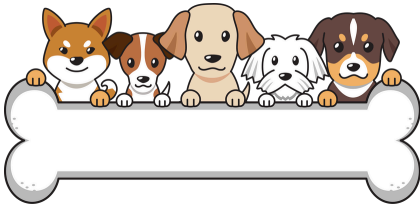
June 8th @ 2PM, Sunman Fish & Game

July 12th @ 12PM, Coon Hunters Lodge -
Family Fun Day

Marksanship:

Laughery Valley Fish and Game
6:00 – 8:00PM on Monday evenings
(Contact Bill if planning to attend)

Dog Practice Schedule



2025 Dog Practice Schedule



Practice Times:

5:30-6:30 Class 1A and 1B

6:00-7:00 Class 2A and 2B



5/6/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

5/13/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

5/20/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

5/27/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

5/28/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

6/3/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

6/4/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

6/10/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

6/11/25

Obedience/Showmanship/Agility

Dog Show: Saturday, June 14th @12PM

Practice schedule subject to change.

Check Facebook for updates.



Extension - 4-H Youth Development

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Ripley County 4-H Bow Wows Dog Club

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2025 Important Animal Dates



Animal	ID Day	4-H Online Due	Check-In	Show	Release
Poultry	None	None	Saturday, July 19, 2025 2pm – 5pm	Sunday, July 20, 2025 3pm	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Beef Set-Up will be Friday, March 7 @ 5pm	Saturday, March 8, 2025 9am – 11am (Beef Feeders: May 3, 2025 8-11am)	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Wednesday, July 23, 2025 10am	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Dairy	None	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Monday, July 21, 2025 9am	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Dairy Feeder	Saturday, May 3, 2025 8am – 11am	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Monday, July 21, 2025 11am (or following Dairy)	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Goats	Saturday, May 3, 2025 8am – 11am	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Thursday, July 24, 2025 Dairy- 9am Meat- 1pm Pygmy- 5pm	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Llama & Alpaca	None	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Tuesday, July 22, 2025 9am	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Horse & Pony	None	May 15, 2025	Friday, July 18, 2025 6pm-8pm	See H&P Leaders	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Pocket Pets	None	May 15, 2025 (Form w/ Picture must be turned into Office.)	At Show	Saturday, July 12, 2025 2pm	After Show
Rabbit	All Rabbits: Saturday, May 3, 2025 8am – 11am Meat Pen Only: Friday, July 11, 2025 6:30 – 8:00 pm	May 15, 2025 (for adult rabbits, meat pen due after July ID day)	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Wednesday, July 23, 2025 5pm	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Sheep	Saturday, May 3, 2025 8am – 11am	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2025 6am – 2pm	Monday, July 21, 2025 6pm	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Swine	None	May 15, 2025	Sunday, July 20, 2024 6am – 2pm Barrow weigh in Tues, July 22, 2025 8am-10am	Tuesday, July 22, 2025 Gilt- 1pm Barrow- 5pm	Friday, July 25, 2025 8pm*
Cat	None	Bring Form to Show	At Show	Monday, July 21, 2025 3pm	After Show
Dog	None	Bring Form to Show	At Show	Saturday, June 14, 2025 12pm	After Show

Barn Set-Up will be Saturday, July 12, 2025 @ 8:00 AM

Clean Up will be Saturday, July 26, 2025 @ 8:00 AM

*Non-Auction animals can leave Friday, July 25, 2025 at 7:00am – 10:00AM OR after 8:00PM.

No animals can leave between 10AM-8:00PM

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State 4-H Opportunities



Extension - 4-H Youth
Development



bit.ly/in4hacademy

4-H ACADEMY

Purdue University
June 13-15 2025

4-H Academy is a program held at Purdue University which offers hands-on, exciting opportunities to dive deep into a 4-H'er's subject of choice. Participants in grades 9-12 learn from professors, graduate students and other experts in their respective fields and participate in interactive activities and experiential learning. Participants stay in a Purdue University Residence Hall for two nights while exploring the Purdue University campus and meeting 4-H members from across Indiana.



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WORKSHOP CHOICES

4-H Academy attendees are immersed in their subject of choice during 3 days of hands-on workshops lead by university faculty. Small groups of 4-H'ers learn by doing and build skills together over the course of this experience.

Contact your local Purdue Extension office to register: bit.ly/contactin4h



Extension - 4-H Youth
Development



bit.ly/in4hroundup

4-H ROUND-UP

Purdue University
June 23-25, 2025

4-H Round-Up is an opportunity for youth who have completed grades 7, 8, and 9 to visit Purdue University's campus and explore a variety of career paths by attending hands-on classes created just for Round-Up attendees. Supported by 4-H chaperones, participants get a taste of college life by living in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights, eating in a University dining hall, and exploring campus. Youth enjoy building friendships with 4-H'ers from across the state during recreation events planned in the evenings and blocks of free time.



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CLASS CHOICES

Purdue faculty, graduate students, and 4-H staff design and host hands-on experiences for 4-H Round-Up participants. Upon registration, 4-H'ers rank their preferred classes from a list of over 30 choices.

Contact your local Purdue Extension office to register: bit.ly/contactin4h



4-H Academy Key Points:

- Grades 9-12
- 14 different workshop pathways
- Registration Open March 15-May 8
- \$250 deposit due to extension office: County 4-H Board covers registration fee, deposit will be returned upon member attendance. Late registration fees will be at cost of 4-H member (May 9-16th fee is \$25, May 17-23 fee is \$50)

4-H Round-up Key Points:

- Grades 7-9
- Youth will attend 3 different career exploration classes out of 26 that are being offered.
- Registration Open March 15-May 8
- \$250 deposit due to extension office: County 4-H Board covers registration fee, deposit will be returned upon member attendance. Late registration fees will be at cost of 4-H member (May 9-16th fee is \$25, May 17-23 fee is \$50)

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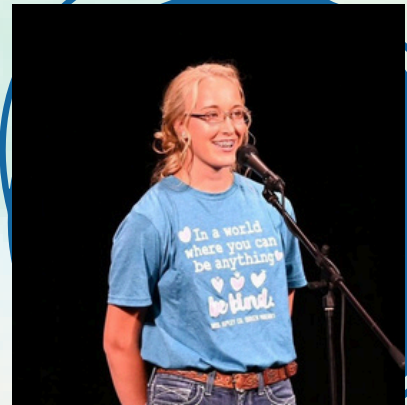


Meet Our Summer Program Interns!



Hi, my name is Chloe Hunter! I will be a sophomore at Northern Kentucky University this fall. I am majoring in psychology with a minor in exercise science in hopes of becoming a pediatric occupational therapist! In my free time, I love spending time with my animals especially my two dogs. I also love hanging out with family and friends and spending the night crafting!

Hi, my name is Kinsey Rohls! I will be a sophomore at Purdue University in the fall, majoring in Animal Science: Pre-Veterinary Medicine. At Purdue, I am involved in Collegiate 4-H and UnHurried, a Bible study group for kids in the College of Agriculture. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with family and friends, spending time outside, running, and reading.



Hi! My name is Kaitlyn Sarringhaus and I will be a Junior at Purdue University in the Fall. I am majoring in Elementary Education in hopes of becoming a teacher at a local elementary school after graduation! At Purdue, I am on the Livestock Judging Team and I am involved in the Teacher Immersion Ambassador Program. In my free time, I like hanging out with my friends and family, spending time outside, and baking sweet treats!

Miss Ripley County Applications

Applications are available at the extension office for the 2025 Miss Ripley County Pageant. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and under 21 as of January 1st, 2025. All applications must be postmarked or dropped off to the office by June 2nd, 2025. The 2025 Pageant will be held on Sunday, July 13th at 6:30PM



Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



4-H handbooks
are available in
the Extension
Office!



Extension - 4-H Youth
Development
EA/EOU



Use the
QR code to
view the
handbook
on our
website!

4-H Project Volunteers

NEEDED



- Aerospace
- Animal Education
- Cake Decorating
- Collections
- Computer Science
- Construction & Architectural Replica
- Consumer Clothing
- Entomology
- Forestry



- Garden
- Giftwrapping
- Leadership
- Llama & Alpaca Craft
- Recycling
- Soil & Water Science
- Weather & Climate
- Weeds
- Wildlife
- Woodworking



Ripley County 4-H is always welcoming new volunteers! If you have any question or are interested in starting the process of becoming a new volunteer, please contact the Extension Office. The 4-H program would not be such a success without the help of all our wonderful 4-H volunteers!



4-H ELECTRIC PROJECT KITS



We have a very limited supply of electric kits in the office. What is left is on a "first-come, first served" basis. Available in office:

Division I Circuit Board Kit: 25 available @ \$10

Division III Trouble Light: 1 available @\$45

Division III Extension Cord: 6 available @\$55



These and other kits can also be found on eeinabox.com ("Shop our products", bottom of left column "4-H Project Ideas")

JEFFERSON COUNTY

CLASSIC



JUDGE: JEREMY JONES - ONE RING ONLY

ENTRY

PREREGISTRATION
ENCOURAGED ON
SHOWMAN.APP
\$30 PER HEAD PER SHOW

CHECK IN

MAY 11TH 7-9:30 AM

SHOWMANSHIP

\$10 ENTRY
START TIME IS 11:00 AM,
BREDS TO FOLLOW

ADDITIONAL INFO

BARROWS AND CROSSBRED
GILTS WILL BE SHOWN BY
DECLARED WEIGHT

IJLA SANCTIONED SHOW

ALL COMMITTEE DECISIONS
ARE FINAL

5.11.25

GRAND - \$500

RESERVE - \$250

3RD OVERALL - \$150

4TH OVERALL- \$75

5TH OVERALL- \$50

LOCATION

JEFFERSON COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS
3852 W SR 256 MADISON, IN
47250

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Spring Video Series:

Season of Sunshine, Healthy Families Happy Life



Southeastern Indiana Purdue Extension Educators present a short series of educational videos to help you prepare for Summer.

EA/EOU

APRIL 7

Storm
Ready:
Weather
Safety



APRIL 14

Snack
Smart:
Delicious &
Healthy
Bites



APRIL 21

Getaway at
Home:
Staycation
Ideas



APRIL 28

Safety
in the
Sunshine



MAY 5

Unplug &
Play:
Alternatives
to Screen
Time



MAY 12

Home
Alone,
How to Stay
Safe



MAY 19

Splash
Splash
Pool
Safety



Follow along with our spring quick tip video series by joining our
Facebook Group: Southeastern Indiana Purdue Extension Health & Human Science

Ripley County HHS Newsletter



Family Dinner Projects:

Purdue Extension is partnering with The Family Dinner Project to help bring awareness to the importance of family dinners for youth development. Frequently having dinner as a family can be very important at all ages. Check out this list of benefits that family dinners have on youth:

Below you will find fun conversation starters or games you can use at your next family dinner!

If you would like more information or more resources reach out to Baylee Dwenger by email or phone:
812-689-6511
bdwenger@purdue.edu

Benefits of Family Dinner:

AGES
1-5



Conversation at the dinner table is even better than reading to children in boosting their vocabulary, and helping them to read.

Kids who start eating dinners now are less likely to be overweight later.

New parents who develop a dinnertime ritual feel more satisfied with marriages.

AGES
6-12



Strong link between family dinners and academic performance, even stronger than doing homework, sports, or art.

Increased intake of fruits, vegetables and micronutrients, and fewer fried foods, trans fats and sodas.

Children feel more connected to siblings and parents.

AGES
13-18



Teens who eat regular family dinners are more likely to get A's in school.

Reduces high risk teenage behaviors like smoking, substance abuse, eating disorders, teenage pregnancy and violence.

Reduces depression and anxiety and increases self-esteem.

Opportunity to check in with kids to find out how they're doing.

Dinner Time Conversation Starters:





Preventing Tick Bites

TICKS 101 A quick guide to Indiana tick vectors

Black legged/Deer/Lyme disease tick (*Ixodes scapularis*)

Transmits Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, babesiosis and Powassan encephalitis

Widely distributed in the Northeast and upper Midwest

Bite risk: Nymphs active late spring-early summer, adult females active late summer and again in early fall, but note that adults may bite whenever temperatures are above freezing



Female



Male

American dog tick (*Dermacentor variabilis*)

Transmits Rocky Mountain spotted fever and tularemia

Widely distributed east of the Rocky Mountains and in limited areas of the Pacific Northwest

Bite risk: Adult females most likely to bite humans and are active spring-summer



Female



Male

Lone star tick (*Amblyomma americanum*)

Transmits ehrlichiosis, tularemia and Southern tick-associated rash illness (STARI)

Widely distributed in the southeastern and south central U.S.

Bite risk: Nymphs and adults are active spring-summer



Female



Male



Images are not actual size. This information is intended as a general guide only. Please consult the CDC, your state or local Department of Health or Extension Specialist for further information regarding tick identification and risks associated with exposure to ticks and tick-borne diseases. Sources: Catherine Hill, Professor of Entomology/Vector Biology, Purdue University; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, http://www.cdc.gov/ticks/geographic_distribution.html
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Indiana Department Of Health recommends the following after **returning from tick-prone areas**. This is an edited-down list. For additional details, please consult their website (see QR code below).

- Immediately disrobe and tumble dry clothes in a dryer on high heat for 20 minutes to kill ticks. When washing, hot water is recommended because cold or warm water will not kill ticks.
- Shower soon after being outdoors. Showering may help wash off unattached ticks.
- Conduct a full-body tick check upon return from potentially tick-infested areas. Immature ticks are much smaller than adults and can be no larger than a poppy seed.
- Examine gear and pets for ticks. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later.

Indiana Department Of Health recommended **how to safely and quickly remove a tick**.

1. Use fine-tipped tweezers or a tick removal tool to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.
2. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers. If you are unable to remove mouth parts easily with clean tweezers, leave the area alone and let the skin heal.
3. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol or soap and water.
4. Never crush a tick with your fingers. Dispose of a live tick by putting it in alcohol, placing it in a sealed bag/container, wrapping it tightly in tape, or flushing it down the toilet.

