

# SC4-H NEWS

**From the 4-H Staff-**

**OCT-NOV 2024**

**Hi everyone!**

Happy Fall! It's time for cool weather, bonfires, pumpkins, sweatshirts and best of all it's time to enroll in Shelby County 4-H! Please be sure to re-enroll again this year in 4-H and encourage your friends to join as well. We have a wonderful program here and there are countless opportunities available in 4-H! If you have any questions when working through the enrollment process (like what email is associated with my account?) please let us know and we can help you!



We are gearing up to begin our Read, Taste, and Touch (RT2) program. Our first month of programming will begin in October where we will begin with the book, *"Bad Apple, A Tale of Friendship"* by Edward Hemingway.

**Register for this FREE program by scanning the QR code on page 5.**

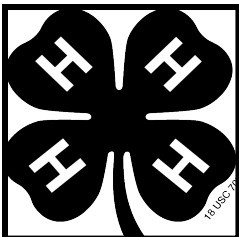
The Shelby County 4-H Open House is set for October 27, 2024, from 2 to 4 p.m. We're excited to see everyone there! The event will include kids' activities, refreshments, club leaders available to answer questions, and 4-H staff on hand to help with enrollment.

Thanks again for those members who are in the program, parents and all volunteers for all your help. We truly appreciate all you do!

4-H Grows Here!

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## **News You Need to Know:**

### **All 4-H Families-**

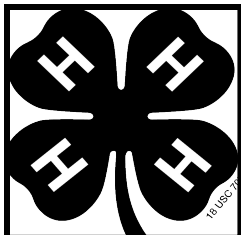
#### **Enrollment Opens October 1!**

- **Indiana 4-H program enrollments will open on October 1, 2024 and will end on May 15, 2025.**
- You will use the [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com) website to re-enroll. ***Please carefully read through the questions when re-enrolling, 4-H Online has been updated!***
- Current 4-H/Mini 4-H members **must use the email and password** that was used when you first created your family profile. If you do not know what email you used, call our office and we will be glad to assist you.
- **4-H members, regardless of age, must enroll as "Youth".** This is true even for our older members who are, or may soon be, 18 years of age.
- **Do NOT create a new Family Profile!** Creating a new profile will result in slowing your enrollment process. We must delete the second profile you created and you will then have to re-enroll under your established profile.
- **Do you need to add a family member to 4-HOnline?** Be sure to add them to your current Family Profile. Do NOT create a new Family Profile!
  - ⇒ **PRO TIP:** If you have moved recently, please go into your family account and update the address under 'Member List', **and** under the *individuals profile*. If the address is not the same in both places, you may not receive important information sent out by our office!
- **ALL 4-H members and Mini 4-H members, and Adult Volunteers MUST re-enroll each year!**
- **You can also follow us on Facebook at Shelby County, IN 4-H** to keep up with the latest news.
- **Poinsettia sales have begun!** Proceeds benefit all 4-H programs. Orders will be filled on a first come-first served basis and may be called in to our office. Plants come in red, white, pink, shimmer surprise and ice crystals and cost \$10 each. Plant pick up day is December 3, 2024 between 12 noon and 5 p.m. at the Extension Office. See the order form enclosed.
- **Shooting Sports orientation meeting** will be held on December 3, 2024 in Brinson Hall at 7 p.m. on the Shelby County Fairgrounds. All members interested in the 2025 4-H Shooting Sports program are encouraged to attend with their parents.



### **Parents-**

- **Calling all parents!** Our program is expanding rapidly (YAY!!), but unfortunately, parent involvement is dwindling. Many of our clubs are grappling with leadership shortages, primarily because of the substantial time commitment required from just one or two individuals. How can you help? Talk to the Leaders of your 4-H member's club, see where they need help.
  - ⇒ If you have questions on where to start or what to expect, contact our office!
- **We encourage you to attend a 4-H club meeting!** This is a great opportunity for you to meet the leaders, other volunteers, see your 4-H member interact with fellow club members, and ask questions!



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## NEW! Salon Mount Offered-

- New this year! We are now offering Salon Mount boards! These are the perfect size for all photography salon print projects. In the past we have only offered sleeves for the salon print projects, but we are now offering sleeves and mounts!



PRICE LIST	
POSTERS	
POSTER (22" X 28")	\$4.00
SALON MOUNT (16" X 20")	\$3.50
SLEEVES	
POSTER SLEEVE (22" X 28")	\$0.50
SALON SLEEVE (16" X 20")	\$0.50
MINI 4-H SLEEVE (14" X 22")	\$0.50

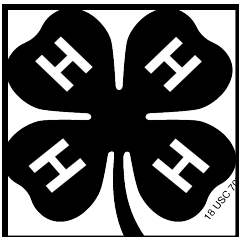
## Junior Leaders-

*What is Junior Leaders?*

- **Shelby County 4-H Junior Leaders is a club as well as a project open to all youth in grades 7-12. They participate in various leadership and community service projects throughout the year. There is no additional charge for 4-H Junior Leader membership, but you must re-enroll in it every year.**
- Make sure you mark "Junior Leaders" as a project when you re-enroll for 2024-2025 (just being enrolled in the club will not count as completion).
- Upcoming Junior Leader Meetings:
  - ⇒ October 19, 2024 from 6:30p.m.—9:00p.m. Call Out Meeting
  - ⇒ November 13 at 6:30p.m.
  - ⇒ December Holiday Party & Meeting (date TBD)
  - ⇒ January 15 at 6:30p.m.
  - ⇒ February 12 6:30p.m.
  - ⇒ March 12 6:30p.m.
  - ⇒ April 16 6:30p.m.
  - ⇒ May 14 6:30p.m.
- **Junior Leader Call Out Party & Weenie Roast! October 19, 2024 from 6:30p.m.—9:00p.m. at the Shelby County Fairgrounds, at the firepit behind the livestock barns.**
  - ⇒ Discover the exciting opportunities Junior Leaders has to offer! Don't miss out on an evening filled with fun, games, and delicious food!



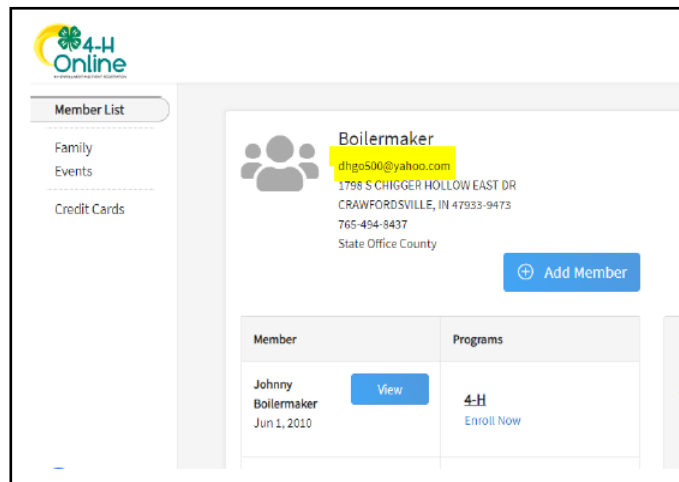
**ShelbyCo4HJuniorLeaders**



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## Emails-

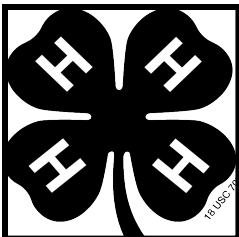
- If you are not receiving emails from our office here are a few things to check:
  - ⇒ Your family account email – located under member list, see highlighted area on photo. This is the email we use the majority of the time. There is a weekly (4-H News & Notes) email that goes out to all approved 4-H families with upcoming dates, information and other opportunities to be on the lookout for.
  - ⇒ If the email highlighted to the right is correct, we recommend you check you spam/junk folder.



## 4-H Livestock/ Animal Exhibitors-

- **PLANNING AHEAD:** keep in mind enrollment of 4-H animals will again be done through the 4-H Online website. The deadline is May 15. **All lease forms, auction forms and pen reservations are due May 15 to the Extension Office as well!**
  - ⇒ **2024 Animal Ownership Policy:** *"Dairy cows (as long as the animal is being shown by same 4-Her from 2020 and forward) and heifers, horses, ponies, alpacas and llamas may be leased, subject to approval of both the county 4-H dairy, horse and pony or llama committee and the respective County Extension Educator. 4-H animals (horse and pony, dairy, alpacas and llamas) are only eligible to be leased by a single 4-H member in a 4-H program year. COUNTY ONLY - All other species may be leased, but not shown at the state fair, subject to approval of the livestock superintendents. These leased animals are not eligible to sell in the Livestock Auction. The lease agreement forms are due in the Shelby County Extension Office by May 15th."* page 175 of 2024 Shelby County Handbook.
- This enrollment allows the animal to be identified as an official 4-H animal that can exhibit at our county show, 4-H fun shows, area shows and the Indiana State Fair. The following species must enroll by May 15 through v2.4honline.com
  - ⇒ **Horse & Pony**
  - ⇒ **Cattle (beef & dairy)**
  - ⇒ **Goats**
  - ⇒ **Llamas**
  - ⇒ **Sheep**
  - ⇒ **Swine**
- All animal lease forms must be turned in to the Extension Office by May 15!
- **Poultry Workshop November 14, 2024 from 5-7p.m.:** This workshop will include an introduction to the project, insight on how to select a bird for show, feeding and caring, and a guest speaker!





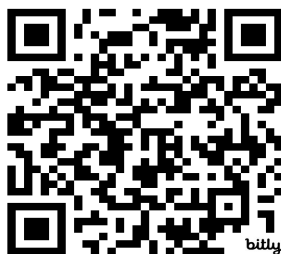
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## Mini 4-H Members-

- **Mini 4-H enrollments for 2024-2025 will start on October 1, 2024 at [v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com). You must re-enroll each year.** The 2024-2025 Mini 4-H enrollment fee is \$5 per child. This fee includes access to Mini 4-H manuals and workshops. Please enroll under the same profile you used last year. Duplicate profiles must be deleted and will result in enrollment delays.
- **Mini 4-H Workshops 2025:**
  - ⇒ February 6, 2025 6p.m. at the Family Arts Building at the Shelby County Fairgrounds
  - ⇒ March 6, 2025 6p.m. at the Family Arts Building at the Shelby County Fairgrounds
  - ⇒ April 10, 2025 6p.m. at the Family Arts Building at the Shelby County Fairgrounds
- **Mini 4-H Day Camp 2025:**
  - ⇒ July 10-11, 2025

## RT2: Read, Taste, & Touch-

- **What is RT2?** The primary purpose of RT2 is to promote reading, good nutrition, and agriculture awareness among preschool and early elementary aged children. RT2 encourages parents and others to take time out of their busy day to enhance a child's learning experience.
- **Who is it for?** K-2 in Shelby County Mini 4-H
- **Is there a cost?** No! Youth participating in RT2 just have to be enrolled in Shelby County Mini 4-H for 2024-2025 program year.
- **When are the meetings?**
  - ⇒ October 8
  - ⇒ December 3
  - ⇒ February 11
  - ⇒ April 8
  - ⇒ \*Special Event at the 2025 Shelby County Fair
- **How do I register my child (children)?** Simply type the link below into your web browser or scan the QR code, and complete the google form for each child.
  - ⇒ <https://bit.ly/RT22024-25>



RT2 2024-25

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY** Extension - Shelby County

**SHELBY COUNTY RT2**

**READ, TASTE, & TOUCH**

2024 - 2025

STORY TIME | SNACK | ACTIVITY | EDUCATIONAL NEWSLETTER

October 8, 2024  
5:30 - 6:15pm Education Room

December 3, 2024  
5:30 - 6:15pm Education Room

February 11, 2025  
5:30 - 6:15pm Education Room

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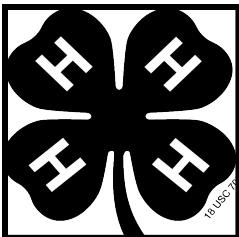
RT2 Event at the Shelby Co. Fair

More information to come!

Kindergarten-2nd grade

To register, scan here!

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## Adult Volunteers-

*\*Changes for this year (4-H Online)*

- New State update allowing volunteers to apply for volunteer with 4-H Online rather than in paper form
- Simplified training for returning volunteers (two trainings online)
- Volunteers, please re-enroll by **January 15, 2025**. This process needs to be completed sooner rather than later!
- Clubs that do not complete the necessary (annual) financial management forms are at risk of their club being *dissolved* the following year.
- Encourage parents who assist with club meetings, workshops, and fair to become a volunteer
- Volunteer Update & Training will be held on October 26, 2024 in Brinson Hall.
  - ⇒ The volunteer **update** portion of the meeting (business) will take roughly one hour and begin at 9a.m.
  - ⇒ The volunteer **training** portion of the meeting (4-H Online) will take roughly one hour and will follow directly after the business portion of the meeting.

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## VOLUNTEER UPDATE & TRAINING

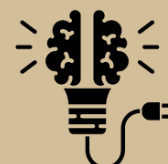
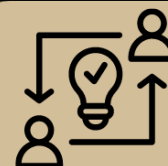
We are excited to invite you to our *annual* volunteer update and training. This is an event for all current Shelby County volunteers and well as new volunteers.

### TOPICS TO REVIEW

- State & County Policy Updates
- Deadlines for County Fair (Adults & Youth)
- Leasing Animals
- 4-H Project Updates
- All volunteers must be in 'APPROVED' status prior to working with 4-H youth, discussing what that means
- Required Volunteer Trainings

 **Contact Us**  
317-392-6460

 **More Information**  
<https://extension.purdue.edu/shelby>



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OCTOBER

**BRINSON HALL**

500 FRANK STREET,  
SHELBYVILLE, IN 46176

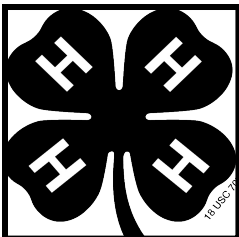
## Becoming a NEW Adult Volunteer-

The 4-H Program relies on dedicated volunteers, and we are grateful for their time, whether they can commit a few hours or many years. Because we work with young people, we take precautions to ensure we have excellent role models for our members. As a result, we require anyone interested in volunteering with our program to go through the Approved 4-H Volunteer Process.

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program has a variety of involvement opportunities available. We rely heavily on adults who care about the development of youth across the state in order to deliver positive youth development experiences to our youth. All volunteers must complete a volunteer application and screening process and participate in training provided by your County 4-H Educator. Individuals annually reaffirm their commitment to serving as 4-H Volunteers.

*Volunteer* 





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## 4-H Open House-

- Members are encouraged to bring past 4-H projects to display at the Open House. If you have a past 4-H project you wish to display, please contact the Extension Office by October 15th!
- Club Leaders, please be available during the open house to chat with new (and current) families! This is a great opportunity to share with others the plans and events your club will be doing for the coming year!

**4-H  
OPEN  
HOUSE**

**LEARN ABOUT 4-H**

Our 4-H Open House is here! Stop by to chat with club leaders, see 4-H projects, play games, have a treat and learn about 4-H!

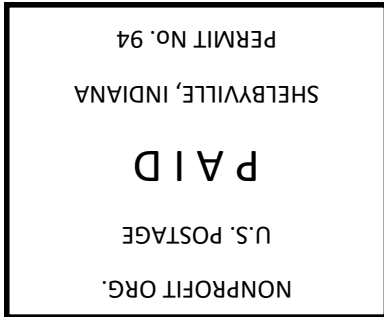
**FREE SNOWIE**

**2PM-4PM**

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**

Family Arts Building, 500 Frank Street, Shelbyville, IN 46176

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**2025 Shelby County Fair: June 9th - 14th**



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