



Extension - Sullivan County

## Winter planning, summer blooming

By: Bailey Draper, Sullivan County ANR, 4-H Educator

A new year is here, and with it comes the excitement of fresh starts and New Year's resolutions.

Instead of the usual “exercise more” or “eat better,” why not make a resolution that’s both fun and rewarding? This year, try eating healthier by growing your own fruits, vegetables, and herbs straight from your garden! Planning your garden now means you’ll be ready to enjoy fresh, home-grown produce all summer long.

The first step is finding the perfect space. No matter the size of your area, there’s a way to make your garden thrive. If you have a large backyard, consider sun exposure, soil quality, and easy access to water. Even if you’re limited to a small balcony, windowsill, or countertop, you can still grow a surprising variety of herbs and greens. With a little creativity, every space can become a productive garden spot!

Once you’ve picked your garden space, it’s time to decide what to grow. Think about your favorite foods and what your family enjoys eating, such as lettuce, tomatoes, peppers, herbs, or even flowers you’d like to grow for fresh bouquets or small arrangements. Making a simple list now can help guide your planning and keep your garden both enjoyable and useful throughout the season.

Gardening doesn’t have to be an expensive hobby to be successful or enjoyable. Many plants grow well in simple containers, recycled pots, or items you already have at home, such as buckets, tubs,

or food-safe containers with drainage holes. These everyday items can work just as well as store bought planters, especially for herbs, greens, and smaller vegetables. Starting with what you have on hand is a great way to keep costs low while still growing healthy, productive plants.

Winter is also a great time to browse seed catalogs and garden websites for inspiration. I personally am a big fan of Burpee Seeds, but there are many excellent seed companies available, each offering unique varieties and helpful growing tips. Ordering seeds early ensures you get the varieties you want and gives you something to look forward to as spring approaches.

When picking seeds, be sure to read the growing instructions carefully. Pay attention to planting dates, spacing requirements, and sunlight needs to make sure each plant is a good fit for your space. Choosing varieties suited to your growing conditions can help set your garden up for success from the start.

Another helpful step in winter planning is thinking about how much time you want to spend maintaining your garden. Starting small is perfectly okay, especially if you’re new to gardening. A few well taken care of plants can be easier to manage and just as rewarding as a larger garden. As your confidence grows, you can always expand in the future.

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Gardening also makes a wonderful family project and a great learning opportunity for youth. Involving kids in planning, planting, and caring for a garden helps teach responsibility, patience, and where our food comes from.

For 4-H members, a home garden can also turn into a meaningful project, giving them the chance to showcase their hard work and fresh produce at the 4-H fair.

Taking a little time this winter to plan ahead can make all the difference once planting season arrives.

With a plan in place, you'll be ready to dig in when the weather warms and enjoy the rewards of your efforts all summer long. As you plan your 2026 goals, consider adding gardening to your New Year's resolutions; it's an investment in your health, your home, and a season full of growth for the entire family.



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# Grain Market Navigator

## Program Series

### Join Us

In person or virtual option available!

FEBRUARY 17 ✓  
Grain Marketing Lingo,  
Basis, Cash vs. Future

FEBRUARY 24 ✓  
Contracts 101

MARCH 3 ✓  
Market Outlook

MARCH 10 ✓  
Grain Buyer Panel

### Location

Purdue Extension - Knox County  
4259 N Purdue Rd.  
Vincennes, IN 47691

6:30pm-8:30pm EST



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and Natural Resources

### Overview:

Take the guesswork out of grain marketing with this hands-on program designed to help farmers sharpen their marketing knowledge and confidence. Through interactive sessions, participants will explore the fundamentals of grain marketing and gain practical tools to use on their own farms.

### Registration & Information:

Price: \$40 In-Person, \$55 Virtual

To register for virtual or in-person, visit our website: <https://bit.ly/GrainMarkets>

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If you are in need of accommodations to attend this program, please contact Jenna Nees prior to the meeting at 765-653-8411 or smith535@purdue.edu by February 3rd.

If you are in need of a translator please contact Jenna Nees prior to the meeting at 765-653-8411 or smith535@purdue.edu by February 3rd.

## New Year, New Opportunities to Earn PARP Credits!

Join Purdue Extension at one of these local PARP trainings!

**January 7** — The Equity, Farmersburg, IN | 5:00–8:00 PM

**January 13** — Sullivan County 4-H Building, Sullivan, IN | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

**February 3** — The Beef House Restaurant, Covington, IN | 9:00 AM–12:15 PM



Don't miss your chance to earn required credits close to home. For registration details and a full list of PARP events held throughout the state, scan the QR code or visit:

<https://ag.purdue.edu/departments/extension/ppp/private-applicators/recertification-parp/parp-events/index.html>

## OISC CORE & Category 14 Training and Testing – March 11, 2026

Purdue University Extension is offering OISC CORE and Category 14 training and testing on March 11, 2026, at Ivy Tech Community College (RM 107) in Evansville. This training is designed for pesticide applicators who need to take the Core or Agriculture Fertilizer (Category 14) applicator exams.

The day's schedule begins with Core Training from 8:30–11:00 a.m. (CT), followed by Category 14 Training from 11:00 a.m.–Noon, and Testing from 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Registration is required, and space is limited.

To register for the exams, visit Indiana My Tech (<https://indianamytech.com>) and use PASSWORD when scheduling. Testing fees apply. Printed manuals are available for purchase through the Purdue Education Store for an additional fee.

For questions or reasonable accommodation requests, contact Abby at [ahaidern@purdue.edu](mailto:ahaidern@purdue.edu) or 812-385-3491. Registration assistance is also available by phone.



## 2026 SPRAYER SCHOOL

### Agenda & Speakers

- Sprayer Safety - Mike Wilson
- Weed Identification - Valerie Clingerman
- OISC Update, Environmental Concerns - Aaron Kreider
- Lunch (Included in Registration Fee)
- Troubleshooting the Most Common Calls - Gerald Chaplin
- Drone Application - Alex Helms
- Tank Compatibility & Mixing - Tommy Butts

**Register at this Link!**  
[tinyurl.com/26SprayerSchool](https://tinyurl.com/26SprayerSchool)

Checks Payable to Purdue University  
Mail to: Purdue Extension Knox County  
4259 N Purdue Rd Vincennes, IN 47591

### Training & Education Program for Commercial Pesticide Applicators & Farmers

**30 JAN** **8:30AM-3:30 PM EST**  
Vincennes University Agricultural Center

**Registration Fee \$50 PER**  
Checks must be received by 1/21!

**PARP, CCH & CCA Credits Available**  
Lunch Included

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY** Extension

Vincennes University Agricultural Center  
4207 Purdue Rd  
Vincennes, IN 47591

Contact Purdue Extension Knox County with questions at 812-882-3509. Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity university.

## Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Technology Program

**Feb. 5-6, 2026**  
**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Eastern**  
Southwest Purdue Ag Center  
4669 N Purdue Rd.  
Vincennes, IN 47591

**COST: \$200**

**Registration:**

- Call 812-882-3509 by Jan. 26 to reserve your spot
- You will receive a link to register and pay by Jan. 28

If you are in need of accommodations, an interpreter or translator, or have special dietary needs to attend this program, please contact Valerie Clingerman prior to the meeting at 812-882-3509, [clingerman@purdue.edu](mailto:clingerman@purdue.edu) by Jan. 26th.

**THIS COURSE WILL HELP PREPARE YOU FOR UAV PILOT CERTIFICATION**

- FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Test Preparation
- Flight Instructions / Practice Flights
- Camera Settings, Image Quality & Troubleshooting
- Flight Plans and Record Keeping
- Data Management
- Sensors & Artificial Intelligence

**NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE REQUIRED!**



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# Save the Date!

Saturday February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Pre-Conference workshop on Food Preservation to be held on Friday February 27th

## Southwest Indiana Homesteading Conference

Join Purdue Extension for a hands-on homesteading conference focused on real-world skills for self-sustainability. Learn up to date best practices and practical techniques for self-sustainability—designed for a wide range of spaces, experience levels, and resources. The day will include classroom time and an afternoon of hands-on demonstrations.

**New this year: Beginner and Advanced Sessions!**

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### Sullivan County Extension in the classroom

Sullivan County Extension Educators Cheryl Casselman and Bailey Draper have different lessons available to be taught in K-12 classrooms. Do you want a STEM activity, mindfulness lesson, agriculture, health, or life skills topic? Contact our office at 812- 268-4332 or email [sullivances@purdue.edu](mailto:sullivances@purdue.edu) and we'd be happy to discuss what options we have for the classroom.

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### Be a financial supporter of Sullivan County Extension programs

You can provide much needed support to those who would otherwise not be able to afford Purdue Extension programming, such as Safe Sitter (teen babysitting training), Matter of Balance (for those with a fear of falling), Dining with Diabetes (nutrition education for those with diabetes or those who have family members with diabetes).

Also, we welcome assistance with 4-H program supplies for year-round programs and the Sullivan County 4-H Fair. Please contact Cheryl Casselman, Purdue Extension Sullivan County Director, to learn more at [ccassel@purdue.edu](mailto:ccassel@purdue.edu) or 812-268-4332. Or stop in to talk with her at the Extension Office Monday-Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Thank you for considering these opportunities to improve the lives of those in our community.

# Indiana Extension Homemakers Association

## Sullivan County President's Message

The 2025 Annual Homemakers' Christmas Bazaar was a success. Thank you to all who attended to support our hard working vendors on November 18. There were about 300 who attended, shopped and ate. We appreciate the vendors who come out every year to make this the fun and festive event it is.



We still have 2025 Goodie Books (recipe books) for sale. Stop in the Extension office anytime Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to purchase them. Please have exact change in cash or check.

—Becky Cole  
President  
Sullivan County Homemakers



## Become an Extension Homemaker!

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about being a member of a new Sullivan County Homemakers Club, please contact a member of the Sullivan County Homemakers Council: President Becky Cole, Treasurer Shelley Nichols, Secretary Pam Irvin, Kennedy Gofourth, Theresa Pinkston, Irlene Stewart, and Shirley Penrod.

For more information, contact Cheryl Casselman, Health and Human Sciences and 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator, at the Extension office at 812-268-4332 or ccassel@purdue.edu.



## Extension Homemaker Creed

Written in 1930 by Mrs. C.W. Horne, Hendricks County



We believe in the present and its opportunities, in the future and its promises,  
in everything that makes life large and lovely, in the divine joy of living and helping others,  
and so we endeavor to pass on to others that which has benefitted us;  
striving to go onward and upward, reaching the pinnacle of economic perfection, in improving,  
enlarging, and endearing the greatest institution in the world, the Home.

## Vision Statement

The Indiana Extension Homemakers are dedicated to empowering and enriching the lives of individuals, families, and communities.

## Mission Statement

To strengthen families through continuing education, leadership development, and volunteer community support.

# STRESS: how it impacts life

Everyone experiences stress, which is your body's physical and emotional response to new or challenging situations. This can occur when facing problems related to work, school, health, and relationships. Feeling stress can be a normal coping response and help us to solve problems.

However, when the stress is long term, known as chronic stress, it can lead to health problems and cause feelings of fear, anger, sadness, worry or frustration. One may see in themselves or others changes in appetite, energy, and interests while having trouble concentrating and making decisions.

Other issues such as problems sleeping or physical reactions, such as headaches, body pains, stomach problems, or skin rashes may occur. Usually with chronic stress there are health problems and mental health conditions that worsen over time.

Learning to cope in a healthy way can help reduce stress. Taking small steps in your daily life to manage stress can have a big impact. Everyone manages stress differently. You can find and manage what triggers your stress and the right combination of healthy techniques that work for you.

## **Take care of your mind.**

Make sure you take breaks from news and social media. It is

good to be informed, but constant information about negative events can be upsetting. Take time to unwind. Try using deep breaths, stretch, or meditate.

**Keep a journal** and spend time outdoors either being active or relaxing and try walking, listening to music, reading or other activities you enjoy.

**Try practicing gratitude daily.** Remind yourself of specific things you are grateful for and write them down. Make sure you talk to others you trust about your concerns and how you are feeling. Make sure you also connect with your community-based or faith-based organizations.

**Gratitude works** and it may be the best kept secret to help reduce stress and feel better. Practicing gratitude every day can improve your physical and emotional well-being.

**Take care of your body** by making sure you get enough sleep. Go to bed and wake up at the same time each day to help your body follow a schedule and remember, adults need 7 or more hours per night.

**Move more.** Staying physically fit can improve your emotional well-being. As every little bit of physical activity helps. Start small and build up to 2 ½ hours a week. Break it into smaller amounts of time such as 20 to 30 minutes a day.

**Eat healthy.** Consume vegetables, fruit, lean protein, whole grains, and low-fat or non-fat dairy. Limit foods with unhealthy fats, salt, and added sugars.

**Limit alcohol intake.** Choose not to drink, or drink in moderation. Moderation means: two drinks or less a day for men, one drink or less for women.

**Avoid using illegal drugs** or prescription drugs in ways other than prescribed. Don't take someone else's prescription.

**Avoid smoking**, vaping, and the use of other tobacco products. People are able to quit smoking for good. If you are a smoker, quit as soon as possible.

Take small steps and make sure to continue with regular health appointments, tests, screenings, and vaccinations.

*Author —*

*Karen Ensle EdD, RDN, FAND, CFCS*

*Family and Community Health Sciences Educator*

*Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County*



# Clover Monthly January 2026

Sullivan County 4-H monthly communication for 4-H members, families, leaders, fair board, and council.

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## Important Dates

- 4-H preferred enrollment 2025-2026: Oct. 1-Jan. 15 (4-H members and adult volunteers)
- Extension office closed: January 19 (MLK Jr, Day)
- Indiana 4-H Scholarships: Due January 25 in 4honline.com
- Sullivan County 4-H Fair: July 11-18, 2026
- Indiana State Fair: Aug. 7-23, 2026 (closed Mondays)



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## Cancellation Reminder

Please remember that ALL Extension meetings are cancelled if school is dismissed early or cancelled due to inclement weather. This applies if only one or more Sullivan County school corporations cancel classes due to inclement weather.

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## 4-H Project Guidelines & Manual Pick-up

4-H Project Guidelines and Manual Pick up—The Extension office will be open for you to pick up 4-H project manuals and/or pay 4-H fees at Ag Day on Saturday, March, 14, 2026 from 9 am to 11 am. Please call ahead and your information will be ready to pick up that morning.

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### First year Sullivan County 4-Hers are free!

Woo hoo! Thank you to the Mike Sprinkle Memorial Fund, all 4-Hers who complete their first year of 4-H will be reimbursed \$15 with their project premium money after the 2026 Sullivan County 4-H Fair.

Thank you to the Mike Sprinkle family!

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**Enrollment for the 2025-2026 program year is now open!**

# v2.4honline.com

**Preferred enrollment and re-enrollment is Oct. 1-January 15!**

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## Save the date for these 2026 4-H opportunities

- Indiana 4-H Day at the Statehouse, February 10th 2026—Open to grades 7-12
- Teen Leadership Weekend @ Camp Tecumseh March 27-29, 2026—Open to Junior Leaders
- 4-H Camp: June 7-10, 2026 @ Shakamak State Park—Campers are grades 3rd-6th, counselors are grades 8th-12th
- 4-H Round-Up for grades 7-8 at Purdue, June 10-12
- 4-H Academy for grades 9-12 at Purdue, June 10-12
- 4-H Chorus @ Purdue June 20-23, 2026—Open to grades 9-12
- 4-H Band @ Purdue June 20-22, 2026—Open to grades 9-12

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## New 4-H SPARK Club focused on the Wabash River

Mark your calendar now — more information, such as monthly session descriptions, cost and when to register on 4honline coming soon! There will be a 90 minute virtual session with wildlife experts presenting the Wednesday evening before each of the Saturday in-person dates below:

February 28 (Vincennes in Knox County)

March 28 (Merom in Sullivan County)

April 18 (West Terre Haute in Vigo County)

May 23 (Turkey Run State Park in Parke County)

Hopefully participants are able to attend all four months, but making it to less is also an option.

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**2026**

### **Junior Leader meetings**

7-8 p.m. in the 4-H Building

March 10

April 14

May 12

June 9

July 7

Are you a Sullivan County student in grades 7–12? If so, you can join the 4-H Junior Leaders Project for the 2025–2026 program year!

Junior Leaders is a youth-led leadership program that helps members build leadership skills, make new friends, and promote 4-H throughout Sullivan County. Members work together on service projects, fundraising, and fun monthly meetings that include activities, guest speakers, and refreshments.

To complete the Junior Leaders project, members must finish the Junior Leader manual, complete one additional 4-H project, attend at least three meetings, participate in one fundraiser, and take part in one service project.

Join a team that gives back and makes a difference in our community—become a 4-H Junior Leader!

To Stay in the loop with Junior Leaders, add yourself to:

Remind: text @g4a2dg to the number 81010

Facebook: Sullivan County 4-H Junior Leaders

Instagram: sullivancojuniorleaders

### **Junior Leader Board of Directors Meeting**

January 12

5-6 pm

Extension Office



## New drones prepare Sullivan County 4-H youth to be #BeyondReady

Thank you to the Indiana Energy Association, Indiana Soybean Alliance, Indiana Corn Marketing Council, and the Indiana 4-H Foundation for providing funding to purchase a couple drones for local 4-H youth, preparing them to be beyond ready for the future in a rapidly changing world.

With these new resources, Sullivan County 4-Hers now have the opportunity to compete in upcoming UAV/drone events:

- Southern Regional 4-H UAV/Drone Competition—February 21, 2026 — Bartholomew County Fairgrounds, Columbus, IN
- Statewide 4-H UAV/Drone Competition—March 14, 2026 — Madison County 4-H Fairgrounds, Alexandria, IN

We are seeking 4-Hers in 5th through 12th grade who are interested in learning and practicing with drones and volunteers to help coach. Interested 4-Hers are encouraged to get involved. To learn more or sign up, please contact the Extension Office at 812-268-4332 or email [sullivances@purdue.edu](mailto:sullivances@purdue.edu).



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## Please cash your livestock auction check

If you have not yet cashed your 2025 Sullivan County 4-H Fair Livestock Auction check, we ask that you do this as soon as possible to keep our books up-to-date. We appreciate your effort and are looking forward to a successful 2026 4-H season. Thank you.

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## Apply! 4-H Scholarships for sophomores, juniors and seniors

You are eligible for 4-H scholarships for college. (Even if you're not going to Purdue.) There are 4-H scholarships for all — no matter what college you choose.

**You must be enrolled in 4-H to apply for a scholarship. Applications are submitted through [4honline.com](http://4honline.com).**

Here's the link & QR code to the online workshop: <https://bit.ly/3M1I7Sb>

It's an excellent workshop (26 minutes)



— See full page flyer in this newsletter with more details on scholarships. —

# What's New for 2026

## 4-H Non-Livestock Projects

### ALL POSTERS

Posters are to be 22"x28" and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. **The poster must be mounted on a firm backing to add stiffness to the exhibit, for example: a foam core board.** Display boards should be designed to sit on a table using no more than 36" of tabletop space. Space should be left in the lower right-hand corner to place an exhibit tag provided by Purdue Extension staff.

### ANIMAL EDUCATION

ALL Animal Education posters will check-in in the Exhibit Building on the designated check-in day for building projects. **Animal Education posters will not be checked in at the livestock barns, during livestock check-in, or judged at the livestock shows.**

### COMPUTER

The Computer project has had several changes and additions for 2026. Please stop in the Extension Office to get a copy of the new project guidelines for the Computer project. We are also seeking a Superintendent for this project, please call the office for more information if you are Interested, 812-268-4332.

### SPORTS

The 4-H Sports project is a new county project for 2026 that encourages youth to learn about the sport of their choice. A 4-Her may choose any sport that they are interested in to create a poster about. Please stop in the Extension Office for a copy of the project guidelines.

### RETIRED PROJECTS

The following county projects have been retired from Sullivan County 4-H and will no longer be available beginning in 2026. Aviation, Basketball, Bowling, Discover the River, and Golf. Basketball, bowling, and golf can now be participated in under the new Sports project.

# 2026 Sullivan County 4-H Projects

## County Projects

These projects exhibit only in Sullivan County and do not advance to the Indiana State Fair.

Aquatics	Gift Wrapping
Blacksmithing (6th grade and above)	Junior Leaders (7th grade and above)
Crops	Scrapbook
Cupcake Decorating	Sports <b>NEW</b> - Create a poster about any sport
Farm Mapping	Welding
Fire Science	

## Livestock Projects

Beef	Poultry (chickens, pigeons, quail, gamebirds, waterfowl)
Dairy Cattle	Rabbit
Dairy Goats	Sheep
Horse & Pony	Swine
Llama and Alpaca	Meat Goats

## State Projects

These projects can advance to the Indiana State Fair.

Aerospace: Rocketry/Drones	Geology
Animal Education	Health
Arts & Crafts	Home Environment
ATV Safety	Lawn & Garden Tractor Safety & Operator Skills
Beekeeping	Model Craft
Bicycle	Needle Craft
Cake Decorating	Photography
Cat	Sewing
Child Development	Sewing Fashion Revue
Consumer Clothing	Shooting Sports
Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue	Small Engines
Computer	Soil & Water Science
Communication	Sport Fishing
Includes Creative Writing, Public Speaking	Tractor Safety & Operating Skills
Construction and Architectural Replica	Weather & Climate Science
Includes Legos and Farm Toy Scene	Wildlife
Dog	Woodworking
Electric	Zero Turn Mower Safety & Operating Skills
Entomology	
Fine Arts (paintings & drawings)	
Floriculture	
Foods (baked and preserved)	
Forestry	
Garden	
Genealogy	

Scan to learn more  
about projects







# 2026

# SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

## Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

## Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship

Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

## Accomplishment Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

**Categories:** Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.

Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

**Awards:** A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.

A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

Visit [bit.ly/4hscholarship](https://bit.ly/4hscholarship) to download applications.

Applications due to County 4-H Educator January 25.

Contact your county's Purdue Extension Office to learn more.

**\$174,250 AWARDED IN 2025**



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# Important Meeting Dates '25-'26



## 4-H Council

7:00 p.m., Extension office conf. room

September 11, 2025

November 13, 2025

January 8, 2026

March 12, 2026

May 14, 2026

August 25, 2026, 7:30p (post fair eval)

September 10, 2026

November 12, 2026

### Selection of 4-H achievement,

### Friends of 4-H & 4-H Alumni Awards

(Includes council members and adult leaders)

October 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

## 4-H Fair Board

7:30 p.m., 4-H Building

September 30, 2025

October 28, 2025

November 25, 2025

January 27, 2026

February 24, 2026

March 31, 2026

April 28, 2026

May 26, 2026

June 30, 2026

August 25, 2026 (Post Fair Evaluation)

September 29, 2026

October 27, 2026

November 24, 2026

## 4-H Club Adult Leaders

6:00 p.m., Extension office conf. room

October 20, 2025

January 17, 2026, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (Retreat)

February 16, 2026

April 20, 2026

June 15, 2026

August 25, 2026, 7:30p (post fair evaluation)

October 8, 2026 achievement award selection

October 19, 2026

## Jr. Leaders

7:00-8:00 p.m., 4-H Building

November 11, 2025 Kick off

February 10, 2026

March 10, 2026

April 14, 2026

May 12, 2026

June 09, 2026

July 7, 2026

November 10, 2026 Kick off

**Sullivan County 4-H Fair: July 11-18, 2026** **Indiana State Fair: Aug. 7-23, 2026**  
(closed Mondays)

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Sullivan County 4-H Clubs



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(click on "4-H Information" on home page)