



Highlights Happening Here at Headquarters

**November/December
2025**

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Greetings Everyone!

I hope you are all preparing for the festive holiday season. Over the next few months, take some time to reflect on the past year and set new goals for 2026. It's also important to spend quality time with family and friends. We have much to be grateful for, and we should take a moment to appreciate all that has been done for us. Wishing you all a safe and joyful holiday season!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to the Extension Office at (219) 984-5115, email childer9@purdue.edu, or visit us at 12 N 25 E, Reynolds. We are here to assist you with Enrollment!

Warm regards,

Molly Childers
Extension Educator - 4-H Youth Development

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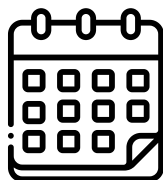


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4-H Calendar

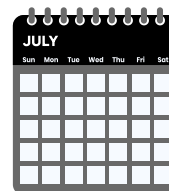


Date/Time	Event	Location
Nov. 1 1:00 p.m.	Horse & Pony Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Nov. 1 3-5 p.m.	Monticello Trunk-or-Treat (find the 4-H Trunk!)	Illinois St. Monticello
Nov. 3 6:30 p.m.	Jr. Leaders Meeting	Camp Tecumseh, Brookston
Nov. 4 6:30 p.m.	Goat Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Nov. 5 7:00 p.m.	Ag Assoc. Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Nov. 13 5-8 p.m.	Jr. Leaders Tip Night	Pizza Hut, Monticello
Nov. 17 6:30 p.m.	Poultry Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Nov. 27-28	Ext. Office Closed	----
Dec. 1 6:30 p.m.	Jr. Leaders Meeting	4-H Arena, Reynolds
Dec. 2 6:30 p.m.	Goat Club Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Dec. 3 7:00 p.m.	Ag Assoc. Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Dec. 4 6:30 p.m.	Jr. Leaders Parade Float Construction	4-H Arena, Reynolds
Dec. 6 4:30 p.m.	Monticello Christmas Parade	Monticello, IN
Dec. 15 6:30 p.m.	Poultry Meeting	4-H Building, Reynolds
Dec. 24-25	Ext. Office Closed	----
Dec. 29 1:00-4:30 p.m.	White County 4-H Youth Leadership Summit	4-H Building, Reynolds

Mark Your Calendars!

White County 4-H Fair
July 18th-23rd, 2026

Indiana State Fair
August 7th-23rd, 2026
(Closed Mondays)



Scan to visit
the
White County
4-H Webpage



Project Changes for 2026

Each year there are changes that occur in the 4-H program. Please read the requirements before starting any project. All requirements can be found in the White County 4-H Handbook, which is currently in the process of being updated and will be available online soon at <https://purdue.link/wc4h>

It's time to enroll in 4-H!

The time is here to enroll in 4-H for the 2025-2026 year! We will be using the 4HOnline system, with the priority online enrollment window lasting from October 1st to January 15th. Youth are encouraged to enroll before January 15th in order to take advantage of all that 4-H has to offer. After January 15th, youth will still be able to enroll online but will need to check with the extension office to see what important information they may have missed. Enroll in 4-H using 4HOnline, at <https://v2.4honline.com>. Anyone who needs assistance or does not have access to 4HOnline should contact the White County Extension Office at (219) 984-5115 or stop by our office, which is located at 12 N. 25 E. in Reynolds.

Enrollment instructions can be found on the White County Extension webpage and on the login page for 4HOnline.

A few notes about enrollment:

- For youth who were enrolled in 4-H for the 2024-2025 year, you will use the same family profile that was created last year. If you have forgotten your email or password, please contact the Extension Office.
- If you already have a family profile, but need to enroll a new 4-H member, you will add them under the existing family profile (please do not create a new family account in this situation).
- There is a \$25 enrollment fee per member, with a maximum of \$75 per family. This fee includes the State 4-H program fee and helps to pay for the educational materials provided and events throughout the year.
- When completing online enrollment, be sure that the Emergency Contact listed is someone outside of the home that we can contact when the parents cannot be reached.
- Reminder - There are a few projects that require you to only select the general project category in 4-H Online (For example, Mini 4-H). Once FairEntry opens in June, that is where you will select exactly what you will be bringing to the fair. We hope this will help to eliminate some confusion during enrollment!
- The Project Add/Drop deadline will be **May 15th** this year. Members must be enrolled in White County 4-H by May 15th in order to exhibit at the 2026 Fair.
- Members who wish to enroll in any live animal project projects must do so AND have their animals identified in 4-H Online by **May 15th** to meet state deadlines and county requirements. Earlier livestock enrollment may be required for certain animals requiring weigh ins, ear tagging, etc. - watch for more information about this! THIS IS A HARD DEADLINE. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

We encourage youth to enroll early to take full advantage of the 4-H program. We hope you'll think about joining us for all that 4-H has to offer! Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns.



What is 4-H?

4-H began over 100 years ago, and has since grown into the largest youth development program in the nation. 4-H prepares young people to be leaders in their community and around the world through hands-on experiences alongside their peers and caring adults. Backed by a network of more than 6 million youth, 540,000 adult volunteers, 3,500 professionals, and more than 60 million alumni; 4-H delivers research-based programming around positive youth development. 4-H is delivered through America's 109 land-grant universities and the Cooperative Extension Service reaching every corner of our nation.

In Indiana, 4-H can be found in all 92 counties as delivered through Purdue Extension. Community clubs, afterschool programs, school enrichment, camps/workshops, and special interest programs are all ways youth across Indiana can be involved with the 4-H program. 4-H welcomes young people of all beliefs and backgrounds, giving kids a voice to express who they are and how they make their lives and communities better.



Scan to visit the New Family Webpage and learn more about 4-H!



The White County 4-H program thrived in 2024-2025 with 559 club members, 146 mini 4-H members, and 133 adult volunteers. This vibrant participation highlights the community's commitment to nurturing youth growth and development.



Mini 4-H

Mini 4-H is for youth in Kindergarten – 2nd grade. Mini 4-H is a great opportunity for youth who are too young to join 4-H to see what the 4-H program is all about and is designed to encourage positive development of children. In White County, Mini 4-H members join and participate in a 4-H Club, but also will have the chance to participate in some fun Mini 4-H workshops throughout the year. Mini 4-H members can also choose to exhibit projects at the White County 4-H Fair. The Mini 4-H project options include: Animal Poster, Cake Decorating, Collections, Crafts, Creepy Crawlies, Flowers, Foods, Models, Nature, Sewing, and Space. Mini 4-H members can also participate in Animal Showmanship classes for Sheep, Swine (only for 2nd graders) Goats, Dairy, Beef, Poultry, Rabbits, and Horses during the Fair.

Youth in grades K - 2 may enroll in White County Mini 4-H online at <https://v2.4honline.com> or by visiting the White County Extension Office, at 12 N 25 E, Reynolds, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The priority online enrollment period will be October 1st, 2025 – January 15th, 2026. After January 15th, you may still enroll in 4-H Online but be sure to contact the extension office for missed communications.

There is no cost to join Mini 4-H. Mini 4-H members will enroll using the same 4HOnline process as 4-H members. Enrollment instructions can be found on the White County Extension webpage and on the login page for 4HOnline.

4-H Scholarships

In partnership with the Indiana 4-H Foundation, the Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program annually awards more than \$125,000.00 in scholarships to 4-H members.

Available to 4-H'ers in grades 10 & up!

VIRTUAL Financial Aid and Scholarship Workshop- December 9th

Registration Link: <https://NCscholarship2025.4honline.com>



Due
January
25th

Anyone who is thinking about any type of continuing education after high school is strongly encouraged to apply.

Scholarship applications and requirements can be found on the Indiana 4-H webpage at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/scholarships.html> Scholarships are to be submitted in 4HOnline (instructions on State 4-H page).

An infographic titled "FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP" presented by Purdue University Extension 4-H Youth Development. It features a central illustration of a young woman with long brown hair and glasses sitting at a desk with a laptop. The infographic lists topics to be covered: "WHAT IS THE FAFSA?", "WHEN DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?", "WHERE DO I FIND SCHOLARSHIPS?", "INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS", "HOW DO I APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?", "WRITING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY", and "AND MORE TIPS AND TRICKS!". It also states the date and time: "DECEMBER 9, 2025 7:00 PM ET / 6:00 PM CT" and notes that the Zoom link will be sent to registered participants. The registration link is <https://NCscholarship2025.4honline.com>. At the bottom, it says "Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access institution."

Camp Counselor Applications

4-H Camp will be June 3-5, 2026 at Camp Tecumseh. There are also required trainings in February, April, and May. No experience is required to apply. This opportunity is available to any 4-H member in grades 9-12. Applications will be available soon. Families with current 9-12 graders will receive an email with details.

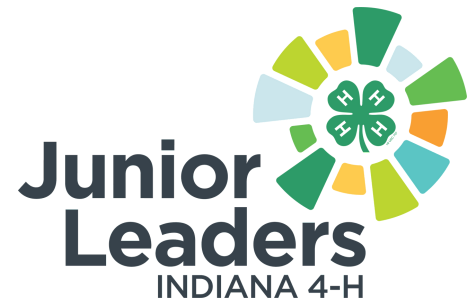


You must be enrolled in 4-H to submit the application so don't forget to complete your enrollment in v2.4honline.com!



Jr. Leaders Tip Night

Join us for dinner at Pizza Hut- Monticello (1108 N Main St) on **November 13th**! Jr. Leaders will be holding a Tip Night at Pizza Hut. A portion of all sales that evening will go toward the Jr. Leaders group.



What is Jr. Leaders?

The Junior Leader project allows 4-H members in grades 7-12 the opportunity to provide their Adult 4-H Volunteers with additional assistance in their 4-H Clubs and related activities. Jr. Leaders also serve as mentors and role models to the younger 4-H members by sharing their experiences with them. Jr. Leaders helps our older members stay involved and build important life skills. We participate in community service projects, team building activities, and leadership opportunities. The skills learned in Jr. Leaders are excellent for resume building, scholarship applications, and college applications. Not to mention, the lifelong friendships that are formed here. There are many great opportunities to network with both county Jr. Leaders and members from around Indiana.

**Jr. Leaders
Calendar**



White County 4-H Youth Leadership Summit

Save the Date! December 29, 2025

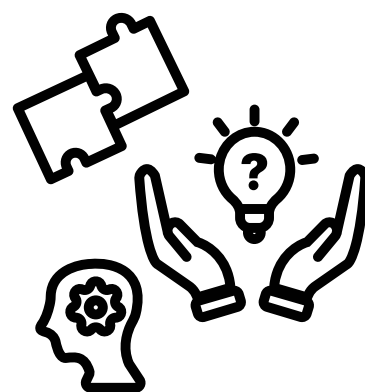
The White County Jr. Leaders invite you to the White County 4-H Youth Leadership Summit! This engaging and interactive event is tailored for any 4-H member who holds a leadership position in their 4-H club or school. We may also need additional adult volunteers for this event, so please reach out if you're interested!

Special Guest Speakers: Join us for activities led by the Camp Tecumseh staff!

Location: White County 4-H Building **Time:** 1:00–4:30 p.m.

Cost: Absolutely free!

Pre-registration is required, and a link will be shared soon!



Presidential AI Challenge

The Presidential AI Challenge is here!

4-H'ers, educators, and mentors are invited to design AI-based solutions to real-world challenges—with the chance to showcase their work on a national stage.

Submissions due January 20, 2026

State Champions announced March 2026, followed by a summer 2026 National Championship

Learn more & get involved: purdue.ag/PresidentialAIChallenge4H

Help Shape the Future of White County 4-H!

We want to hear from you! Purdue Extension – White County is conducting a countywide Youth Needs Assessment to better understand how we can best serve K–12 youth through 4-H programs.

Your feedback will help us identify new opportunities, strengthen current programs, and guide volunteer training efforts. Anyone is welcome to complete the survey.

Take the short survey here:

https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0VpN6n5hFqhMD3w



*Share
your
Thoughts*

All responses are confidential. While not every idea can be implemented immediately, your input plays an important role in shaping the future of 4-H in our community!

Purdue Extension Agriculture and Natural Resources Program

WHITE COUNTY
WINTER PARP
DECEMBER 16TH, 2025
6:30pm EST - Registration
6:45pm EST - Program Begins
4-H Community Building
12 N 25 East
Reynolds, IN 47980

Topics
Soil Fertility
Fumigation & IPM in Grain Storage
Regulatory Topic

RSVP to Marty at mhuseman@purdue.edu or 219-984-5115

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If you need an interpreter or translator, please contact Shalee Bradley prior to the meeting at 317-736-3724 by December 10th

If you are in need of accommodations to attend this program, please contact Shalee Bradley prior to the meeting at 317-736-3724 or sdaming@purdue.edu by December 10th.

We need YOU to make 4-H Possible!



VOLUNTEER **WITH 4-H TODAY!**

Anyone who wishes to work with the White County 4-H program needs to be an approved 4-H Volunteer.

All returning 4-H volunteers will need to re-enroll annually using the 4HOnline system. Volunteers should log into 4HOnline using the login email and password that was used when enrolled in 4HOnline last year. If you have forgotten your email or password or enrolled using a paper form last year, please contact the Extension Office.

Please be sure to enroll as a 4-H Volunteer before you begin working with 4-H youth. This is for the safety of the youth and volunteers alike, and is required. Please contact the White County Extension Office at (219) 984-5115 with any questions or concerns.

New Volunteers

Your time and talents make a big impact here are some ways you can help:

- Lead a special interest club
- Conduct a workshop
- Be a guest speaker
- Help with Jr. Leaders



We are always looking for great volunteers to work with the White County 4-H Program. If you would be interested in helping, or know someone who would be interested, please let the Extension Office know. If there are any other projects that you would be interested in helping with, we would be glad to have you!

*We ♥ our
Volunteers*



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WHITE COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

6:30 PM (Doors Open at 6:15PM)

White County 4-H Building- Reynolds, IN

**KEYNOTE
SPEAKER**

MITCH BILLUE

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Molly Childers, 4-H Youth Development

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**NOVEMBER 24TH
10:00 A.M. (EST)**

Location:

White County 4-H Community Building

12 North 25 East

Reynolds, IN 47980

Time/Schedule: EST

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Registration/Sign In

10:00 - 12:00 p.m. Program

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

Lunch and Sponsorship is provided by: Jeff Demerly | Landmark Ag Solutions
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KNOW YOUR NUMBERS, KNOW YOUR OPTIONS, Using Financial Records



Virtual Format
Nov. 18 & 25, Dec. 2 & 9
10 am - 12 pm EST
Cost: \$20

Week 1:
Goals &
Recordkeeping

Week 2:
Cash Flow
Documents &
Income Statements

Week 3:
Ratios, Land Leases,
& Negotiations

Week 4:
Tying it all
Together & Looking
to the Future



Know your Numbers, Know Your Options is a discussion-based workshop to connect ag producers and subject-matter experts. As they work through important discussions participants will find many opportunities for questions, sharing, and connecting.

Register by
Nov. 16th at
<https://event.me/BOWa5L>

Questions? Call 765-653-8411



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