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Important Dates:

Please be aware of the important deadlines that are approaching! If you are showing an animal, besides rabbits or poultry, make sure they are all entered in 4-H online by May 15th. If you plan to take them to the state fair, please make sure DNA envelops are returned to the office by May 15th. (You can pick up envelops from the office or some leaders/at workshops and weigh-ins). All projects, including static, need to be entered in Fair Entry by June 4th, which will not open until May 1st. Failure to do so could result in the inability to participate in that project for the 2024 fair. More instructions to follow.

Do you want to volunteer?

We are always looking for help! Please let Rebecca or Stephenie know if you would like to assist with the plant sale, set up or clean up of the fair, or judges assistants. We cannot do it without you and we greatly appreciate what you are doing for the kids and the program!

Upcoming Programs:

It is not too late to register for the health challenge! Youth who participate in this self paced challenge have the chance to win prizes like air pods and fitness gear! More information inside. We are also still taking registrations for 4-H camp for youth in grades 3-6. This is a great opportunity for youth to meet kids from other counties, try new things, and just have fun. The best part, it is only \$50 for 3 days and 2 nights! Invite your friends, family, and even your neighbors. Youth will have to be enrolled in 4H to register. Last, there are many state trips coming up like Academy and Roundup. Keep reading for more on these opportunities.

Have a great idea for a program or a project workshop? Let us know and we will see what we can do to get one scheduled!

Thank you!



4-H Information



Rules Book Available

The 2025 Rules Book is available online at <https://extension.purdue.edu/news/county/allen/docs/rules-book-2025-ready-to-print.pdf>. If you would like a physical copy, please give us a 72 hour notice to print and bind one.

There have been updates to projects this year, some after our rules books were printed. Please check the Allen County 4-H website and the State's website to verify you have the correct information. Don't forget your craft, recipe, and sewing cards when you are putting your projects together. All required documents should be listed under the appropriate project.



Need poster sleeves or tags?

Stop by the office during our business hours 8 am to 4:30 pm. Poster sleeves are \$2 and most livestock tags are \$5. We do have salon print sized poster sleeves too! The swine committee has decided to hand out swine tags during their workshops on. Please 4/21, 5/5 and 5/14 from 7-9 pm at fairgrounds admin building. If you can't make any of these dates reach out to Amy at 260-615-5768 to make other arrangements.

4-H Online - May 15

All animals and projects need to be entered in 4-H online by May 15, 2025! There is some flexibility for projects but not animals! You **MUST** be enrolled in a project to select that project in Fair Entry. If you run into problems, please call the Extension Office 260-481-6826 or email Rebecca: rcclay@purdue.edu

Fair Entry is Due June 4, 2025.

Think of Fair Entry as a RSVP for a class, pen, poster rack or table spot for your project. We need to know how many spaces to reserve and what project labels we need to print. Fair Entry is to be completed by all in grades K-12. Fair entry will not open until May 1st. Directions will be attached to the May newsletter.

Tips and Tricks as questions have come in:

- You do not need to register an animal in 4-H online as a mini 4-H'er. Communicate with your committee/leaders your intent to show and select project in fair entry
- Mini 4-H'ers do not specify projects on 4-H online. They will register for specific projects on Fair Entry
- If Fair Entry will not let you select an animal, check the animal tab under that child on 4-H online to ensure the animal is registered/listed. Please register rabbits in 4-H online this year.
- Sign up for everything you might bring to fair. It is easier to "scratch" project than add day of.

Please make sure you are checking the Allen County Website and Facebook! We have posted a lot of scholarship opportunities and trip information, like camp, on our page!

[Allen County 4H Page](#)

UPCOMING 4-H PROGRAMS

Junior Leaders

Open to all youth in grades 6-12. We meet the last Tuesday of the month from 6:30-8 pm. So far this year we completed a community service project, connected with careers, completed leadership activities, hosted a Halloween party, and solved a bank robbery escape room. Think this sounds fun? Join us for our next meeting!

April's meeting will be a food and film cooking experience on April 29th!



Archery and Muzzleloading: Grades 3-12

Archery dates will be as follows:

Orientation Wednesday, April 9th 6:30-7:30 pm

April 12, 26, May 3, 17, 24, 31, June 7

Beginner class 12-1:30 pm

Advanced Class 1:30-3pm

@ Allen County Fairgrounds

Register here: [https://
AllenCountySpringArchery25.4honline.com](https://AllenCountySpringArchery25.4honline.com)

Muzzleloading dates :

Orientation April 24th 6:30-7:30 pm

May 1, 8, 15, 22, June 5th 6:30-8:30 pm

Located in Spencerville, IN

Register here: [https://
AllenMuzzloading25.4honline.com](https://AllenMuzzloading25.4honline.com)



If you know any volunteers who are interested in becoming a shooting sports instructor, the next training will be in September. Our shooting sports program will cover your registration cost as long as you volunteer with a discipline. Contact Rebecca at rcclay@purdue.edu if you are interested.

Photography program

April 4: 10-Noon@Extension office

Come hang out with Professional Photographer Kelsey Martin and she will show you some tips and tricks on how to take a photo and edit it along with some other fun things. This event is free. You must bring a phone or camera to take a picture. **Registration is a must.** Call the office at 260-481-6426

Under the Scales! STEAM workshop:

April 10 5:30-7:30pm @Extension Office

Dive into the fascinating world of aquatic life! What makes a fish float? Register to dissect a fish and see what makes them different from other animals.

Cost: \$10. Register at: <https://bit.ly/Fish2025>

Genealogy Workshop

April 23: 6:00 @Allen County Main Branch Library. Join us at the AC Downtown Library to meet with a Genealogy expert and work on your Genealogy project. Names, dates and locations of your family will help get you started or help you to continue working on your project.

No cost Register by calling 260-481-6826

Boards & Bites-A Mom & Me Charcuterie Adventure:

May 8th, 5:30-7:30pm @Extension Office.

Cost:\$25 per adult+child pair, \$5 for extra child
Registration closes April 25, 2025

Register here: <https://bit.ly/charcuterie25>

All programs require registration.

If you need accommodations to participate in a program, more information on specific programs, or to register: email rcclay@purdue.edu or wooten6@purdue.edu or call 260-481-6826

LOCATION ADDRESSES

Extension Office:
4001 Crescent Ave
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Johnnie Mae Farm
2518 Winter Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46803

4-H Camp!

June 4-6

Epworth Forest North Webster,
IN

Grades: 3-6

Cost: \$50 per participant

Thank you to the Allen County 4-H
Board for Sponsoring \$140



Congratulations to the following camp counselors:

Jeff Fletcher, Leah Hickman, Ellison Milanowski, and Carter Malcolm

It's that time of the year again where we look forward to 4-H camp. Youth will have fun playing games, making friends, and participating in other recreational activities. In addition, all campers will attend classes to gain experiences in various subject areas like nature exploration, outdoor sports, boating, fun with science, and much more! All meals, snacks, activities, and lodging is provided.

Register here: <https://2025NEINCamp.4honline.com> Registration closes May 1st!

Youth 4-Health: A 30-Day Habit Building Challenge!



Starting April 7, join us for a 30-day challenge designed to build lifelong healthy habits for your mind and body.

- **First Meeting:** April 7 at 6:30 PM (45-minute session) to go over the challenge
- **Self-Paced Challenge:** With materials provided for a 4-week journey
- **Weekly Check-Ins:** Mondays from 6:30 - 7:00 PM for lessons and support
- **Prizes:** Exciting giveaways during our end celebration based on participation! Prize could include Air Pods, Stanley Cups, fitness related gear and MORE!

Cost: \$10 (payable via cash or check made out to Purdue University)

Registration: Available through 4-H Online: <https://Youth4Health.4honline.com>



State Trips

[4-H Round Up](#): June 23-25

[4-H Band](#): June 21-23

[4-H Chorus](#): June 21-24

[4-H Academy](#): June 11-12



All trips cost \$50 thanks to the sponsorship of the Allen County Clubs. Registration closes May 15th for all trips!! Please email Rebecca at rcclay@purdue.edu if you are interested in any trip as they require an educator to initiate the registration before the family can finish the registration.

Livestock Meeting/Workshop Dates:

April

- 9– Rabbit Workshop, 6:30 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 12– Dairy Beef-Feeder Calf Weigh in, 8-10 am at AC Fairgrounds—Cattle Barn (Rain date April 19)
- 15- Horse & Pony Leader Meeting, 7 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 13– Horse & Pony Meeting, Specific discipline overview, 3pm at Blue Willow
- 19– Horse & Pony vaccination Clinic 10am-12pm@FG
- 21– Swine Committee Meeting, 7 pm at AC Fairgrounds– McComb Building
- 21– Dairy Skillathon 7 pm open to all youth @Extension Office

May

- 1-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR meeting 6:30-8:30 pm @ AC Fairgrounds (Gates open at 6pm)
- 1– Sheep and Goat Tag/Weigh In, 6-7:30 pm @AC Fairgrounds
- 5-Rabbit Workshop@6:30-7:30@FG
- 5– Swine Committee Meeting, 7 pm at AC Fairgrounds– Admin Building
- 8-Horse & Pony Outdoor meeting 6:30-8:30 pm @ AC Fairgrounds (Gates open at 6pm)
- 14– Swine Workshop, 7 pm at AC Fairgrounds– Admin Building

15-4-H Online Animal entry and state fair DNA envelop deadline

- 15--Horse & Pony Outdoor meeting 6:30-8:30 pm @ AC Fairgrounds (Gates open at 6pm)
- 17– Summit City Classic Open Goat Show, 8 am at AC Fairgrounds– Swine Barn
- 21-Horse & Pony Leader Meeting, 7 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 22--Horse & Pony Outdoor meeting 6:30-8:30 pm @ AC Fairgrounds (Gates open at 6pm)
- 29--Horse & Pony Outdoor meeting 6:30-8:30 pm @ AC Fairgrounds (Gates open at 6pm)

QLC Dates:

April 30th 6-7 pm or May 3rd 9-10 am @Extension

As a reminder, youth may complete training in any county or complete YQCA online. If you complete YQCA, please email Rebecca a copy of your certificate as we have to mark your training complete in 4-H online.

All livestock except cat, dog, llama, and horse are required to complete either QLC or YQCA to show their animal.

Register here: <https://2025AllenQLC.4honline.com>

Cost: \$3 per participant



DNA envelops can be picked up at the Extension office during business hours or at most specie workshops. They are due by May 15th to the office!

What's Going On In 4-H!!



Summit City Class Open Goat Show

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SUMMIT CITY CLASSIC

MAY 16 & 17, 2025

2 Rings 2 Judges
(Tim Flickinger & Ashley Scheel)

Nigerian Wether & Dairy Market Shows May 16, 2025

Jr. & Sr. Doe & Buck Shows May 17, 2025

Silent Auction & Concessions

Check out Showman App soon to register

Proceeds support Allen County Goat Project

Friday Night Wether Shows
Nigerian Wethers shown by age
Dairy Market Wethers shown by weight



Allen County Fairgrounds
Fort Wayne, IN

Rabbit Ambassador Contest

Do you feel that you have a comprehensive knowledge and handling skills in the area of rabbits? If so, sign up for the Rabbit Ambassador Contest. The contest consists of showmanship, breed ID and a brief quiz. The contest will be held at Whitley County 4-H Fair grounds, May 18 at 2pm. You must RSVP to Cheryl Smith by May 10 to attend. This is an Indiana State Fair Project. A copy of the handbook can be found at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/docs/projects/rabbit/rabbit-ambassador-handbook.pdf>



Dekalb County Livestock Day: All youth welcome

Livestock Workshop Day

APRIL 6TH - 12:00 (NOON) TO 6:00 PM - MIDDAGH HALL

Want a quick way to attend the workshops you will need for 2025? Join us on April 6 for our Livestock Workshop Day. Please see the schedule and locations below.
This will not be a rotation this year! QLC will be taught once at the beginning.



12:00-1:00 pm - QLC training
1:00-2:00 pm - Cattle (Beef, Dairy Beef, and Dairy)
2:00-3:00 pm - Swine
3:00-4:00 pm - Rabbit
4:00-5:00 pm - Poultry
5:00-6:00 pm - Sheep & Goat

All Workshops will be in Middaugh Hall!

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Do you need a Premise ID?

If you are showing cattle, swine, sheep, goats you will need a premise ID. If your animals are being housed on someone's property, they will hold the ID for their property. It is recommended you have an ID for poultry but not required. To apply for an ID go to www.in.gov/boah/2700.htm. If you have not done this, please do it ASAP. It may take a few days to get the ID back and animal ID is due May 15th! If you are worried you will not get it by the May 15th deadline, I recommend you call the Board of Health at 317-544-2381. This only needs to be done once for your farm.

4-H Plant Sale Help Needed

We are still looking for Youth and Adults to help with the 4-H Plant Sale, May 8 or 9. We need workers from 8 am-8 pm (in 2, 4, 6, 8, 12 hour shifts) on May 8th and on May 10 we need workers from 8:45 am-1:30 pm. Workers are needed to unload, count, distribute and carryout plants.

Call the office at 481-6429 or email wooten6@purdue.edu if you can help.



Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

You can make a meaningful difference in our community through our **budding readers program**. This program aims to foster a love for reading among young children in our area by providing engaging and interactive reading sessions. No prior experience is needed, just a willingness to contribute your time and enthusiasm. We ask volunteers to attend a 1-hour training session and then meet with their reader once a week for an hour from June 2-July 11 at the library. If you are interested, please complete the form [here](#). Any adult or high school aged youth is encouraged to volunteer. (You do not have to be a current approved volunteer) Please register asap as we are opening registration to the youth soon!

Volunteer appreciation week!

April 20-26th

We wanted to take a moment to thank all of the hard work our amazing volunteers do in Allen County. We could not run this program without you! We appreciate your dedication and passion for the youth and this program!

For all of our 4H members, take a moment this month to thank your club leader or livestock leaders for their hard work!



Judge's Assistants needed!

We need 4-H Volunteers, Parents, and Extended Family to help with check in and judging.

Any help is appreciated!



Foods: Monday June 9

- Check in 5-6 pm
- Judging starts at 6pm

Exhibit Building: Saturday, June 13 and 14

- Check in on the 13th: 3-7 pm
- Check in on the 14th: 9 am—12 pm
- Judging starts at 12:30 pm on the 14th

If you would like to register to be a judge's assistant, please fill out this google form or email Stephenie at wooten6@purdue.edu. Thank you! We appreciate any and all help.

<https://forms.gle/rSDtHjeLn4SN6S1u5>

2025 Indiana 4-H Animal Identification



The following table lists the different animal species and the respective form of identification that is required for a 4-H member to be eligible to show in the 4-H livestock shows at the 2025 Indiana State Fair. The animal ID information must be entered in the Indiana 4-H Online enrollment system by the respective deadlines. Missing, incomplete or incorrect animal ID information could result in state fair ineligibility for that particular animal.

	For State Fair	Max # to Enroll	Deadline
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 Total steers	May 15
Commercial and Market Heifers and Dairy Feeder	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 total	May 15
Beef, Registered Heifers	840-RFID tag and Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	10 total heifers	May 15
Dairy Cattle	840-RFID tag and animal's registered name and registration number (or dam's registration number) and DNA Hair Sample	40 total	May 15
Dairy Goat Females, Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo	40 dairy goats total	May 15
Wethers	5-digit County Tag or Tattoo		
Meat Goat Wethers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	40 meat goats total	May 15
Boer Goat Females, Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Pygmy Goats Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Registration Papers	40 total	May 15
Unregistered	Official USDA Scrapie Tag or Official Scrapie Tattoo		
Horses and Pony	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Llama and Alpaca	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Sheep Market Lambs	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	30 sheep total	May 15
Commercial Ewes	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag/or official scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample		
Registered Ewes	840-RFID Tag and ID that matches registration Papers and DNA Hair Sample		
Swine	840-RFID Tag and Ear Notch and DNA Hair Sample	15 Gilts 15 Barrows	May 15



4-H Dates for Fair Schedule (All Dates subject to change before fair)

To the best of our knowledge, here are the dates you might need to put on your calendar for the upcoming Allen County Fair. Some items have not been scheduled yet, so please sit tight for those to be announced. Please be aware that some of the shows, events, and check-in times have changed! Horse times and dates might change!

- **June 9** Foods, Microwave, Homemade Ice Cream 5-6 pm check-in and 6 pm judging @FG
- **June 12** Exhibit Hall Set up, 6pm: We would love all the hands possible as we wash and dry all of the tables and put them in place. Feel free to come sooner.
- **June 13** Exhibit Hall Project Check-in, 3-7 pm
- **June 13** Consumer Clothing and Fashion Revue @FG Time TBD but youth will sign up for 15 minute time slot. Binders will be judged separate from the modeling.
- **June 14** Exhibit Hall Project Check-in 9 am - 12pm, judging 12:30 pm
- **June 14 Top and Honor Achiever and 10 year member Reception:** Open to all families. We want to celebrate and recognize our hardworking youth. @FG Home and Family Arts Building. Tentatively 6-8pm.
- **June 15** Livestock Barn Set up TBD
- **June 16** Livestock check in. Times released soon.

Tuesday, June 17:

- 6-9 am Swine Entry (day change!)
- 8 -11 am Llama Entry
- 9 am Rabbit Show (moved up an hour)
- 10 am Horse Classes
- 3 pm Poultry Show (moved up an hour)

Wednesday, June 18:

- 10 am Horse Classes
- Cat Show 9 am in the Show barn followed by the pet rabbit show at 10 am
- 12 pm Dairy Show
- 5 pm Meat Goat Show
- 6 pm Llama Miniapalooza

Thursday, June 19

- 9 am Llama Showmanship
- 10 am Horse Classes
- 12:30 Sheep Show (switched time!)
- 1 pm Llama Judging Contest
- 4 pm Dairy Beef Show (switched time!)

Friday, June 20

- 9 am Llama Performance Classes
- 9 am Dairy Goat Show & Cart Performance Classes
- 10 am Horse Classes
- 12 pm Horse Classes
- 7 pm Beef Show

Saturday June 21

- 8 am Swine Show
- 10 am Horse & Pony Grand Entry
- 12 pm Horse Fun Classes
- 6 pm Llama Fun Show
- 8:30 pm 4-H Fun Night and dance to follow

Sunday, June 22

- 8 am Swine Market Show
- 12 pm Showman of Showmen Contest
- 5 pm 4-H Awards Ceremony
- 6-8 pm 4-H Exhibit Hall Projects Released
- 6-9:30 pm Non Auction Animals Released

Monday June 24

- 8-10 am Clean up Exhibit Buildings, 12:30 pm Auction, Final Clean up Follows Auction

Horse & Pony shows subject to change

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 2025

4-Photography workshop, 10am-noon @CEO
7-Youth 4-Health Challenge begins (ends May 7)
8-Board meeting 7pm @CEO
9-Rabbit workshop 6:30-7:30@CEO
9-Spring Archery begins-Orientation 6:30-7:30pm@FG
10-Under the Scales Fish dissection 5:30 pm @CEO
12-Dairy Beef feeder calf weigh in, 8-10am @FG-Cattle Barn (Rain date April 19)
12-Archery- beginning at 12pm with beginner class @FG
13-Horse & Pony meeting, Blue Willow 3pm
15-Horse & Pony Leaders, 7-9 pm @CEO
15-Camp Counselor Training 5:30-8 pm @FG
19-Horse & Pony Vaccination Clinic 10am-12pm @FG
21-Dairy Workshop, 7-8:30 pm @CEO
23-Genealogy Workshop, 6pm @Main Library
26-Archery beginning at 12pm with beginner class @FG
29-Junior Leaders meeting: 6:30-8 pm @CEO
30 QLC workshop 6-7 pm @CEO (please register so we can print certificates)

*If we missed any dates please let us know.

Please email us anything you would like us to add anything to the newsletter.



SAVE THE DATE!!
Allen County 4-H Fair
June 17-22, 2025

Follow us on Facebook We share pictures, important information, and workshop flyers on our page! Allen County Indiana 4-H: <https://www.facebook.com/AllenCounty4H>

May 2025

1-Sheep and Goat Tag/weigh in 6-7:30 pm @FG
1-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
3-Archery beginning at 12pm with beginner class @FG
5-Rabbit Workshop 6:30-7:30pm@FG
6-Board Meeting 7pm @CEO
8-Boards and Bites STEAM 5:30 pm @CEO
8-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
8-Plant sale: unload and sort starting at 8am @FG
8-Plant pick up 5-8pm@ FG
9-Plant pick up 9am-Noon@FG
14-Swine Workshop 7-9pm @FG Admin Building
15-4H Online Deadline!!! Animals must be entered, DNA to office, and project add/drop deadline in 4H online
15-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
17-Summit City Classic Open Goat Show 8am-10pm @ FG
17-Archery beginning at 12pm with beginner class @ FG
19-Camp Counselor Training 5:30-8 pm @ Dekalb FG
20-Horse & Pony Leaders, 7-9 pm @CEO
22-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
24-Archery beginning at 12pm with beginner class @FG
26-Memorail Day Horse Show @ FG
29-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)

June 2025

4-Fair Entry Deadline for All fair projects!

5-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @FG (Gates open at 6pm)
9-Foods judging 5-6 pm check-in, 6 pm judging @FG
11-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
12-Horse & Pony OUTDOOR workshop, 6:30-9pm @ FG (Gates open at 6pm)
13- Exhibit hall drop off 3-7pm @FG
13-Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue judging 5-7 pm @FG. (youth will sign up for a slot)
14- Exhibit hall drop off 9am-12pm, judging begins at 12:30 @FG

*****Not all June dates have been included! Please see previous page for rough outline!**



ALLEN COUNTY

— Queen Scholarship Program —

ENTER TODAY!

Deadline April 6th

WHY ENTER?

Learn new skills.

Make new friends.

Earn part of \$4,500 in scholarships.

VIP access to the Allen County Fair.

Make lasting memories!

Calling all young ladies 17-22 (can't hit 22 by June 1, 2026) that want to reign over the Allen County Fair. Flexible around 4-H schedules. Learn more at MissAllenCounty.com. The program will be on Sunday, April 27th at 5 pm in the Exhibit Building at the Allen County Fairgrounds. Watch for Little Miss info released in April!

4-H DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

**SATURDAY JUNE 14, 2025
ALLEN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Have you ever thought about sharing your 4-H knowledge with others? Now is your chance! Sign up for the 4-H Demonstration project and stand up and spread the knowledge you have gained in a short presentation. You could show others how to give an intermuscular antibiotic injection, take a prize winning photo or even make a sandwich. Sign up now!



WHAT ARE INTERACTIVE DEMONSTRATIONS?

An interactive demonstration is a fun, new way to share what you have learned with others. It is kind of like Show and Tell but with more interaction. You will demonstrate to an audience step-by-step procedure related to 4-H.

HOW DO I CHOOSE A TOPIC FOR MY INTERACTIVE DEMONSTRATION?

An interactive demonstration can be on almost any subject. The topic should be something you like and feel confident talking about. Here are a few questions to ask when choosing a topic.

- Can it be completed in 5-10 minutes?
- Is this topic related to a 4-H project?
- Can it easily be repeated over and over?
- Is it interesting to the general public?
- Is there something that can be "hands on" for the audience?
- Can the supplies be used over and over or will they need to be replaced adding to the cost?

HOW CAN I GET THE AUDIENCE INVOLVED?

You need to be enthusiastic! Share your knowledge with a short demonstration, have someone from the audience participate, make sure to ask and answer questions.

HOW LONG DOES MY INTERACTIVE DEMONSTRATION LAST?

Your interactive demonstration will vary in length, Junior members (grades 3-8) have 5-7 minutes and senior members (grades 9-12) have 5-10 minutes.



Extension - 4-H Youth
Development

