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Happy New Year!
The 4-H Team here in the office wishes you a great 2021! We're looking forward to this Happy New Year! We are grateful for each one of you and your support this past year. Wishing every day of the new year to be filled with happiness and health. If you need assistance with anything, please do not hesitate to call our office at 260-481-6826, or email Samm, Kelsey or Jean.

All the best,

Samm, Kelsey & Jean



**Extension** 

# **News for Everyone**

4HOnline enrollment & payment of program fees is due by May 15, 2021.

If you enroll May 1-15, you must use a major credit card for payment.

Note: some animal projects have an <u>earlier</u> deadline. Fair Entry will open June 1-30, 2021

Failure to do so will result in those projects placing no higher than a blue ribbon (no honor, division reserve champion, division champion, State Fair Entry, reserve grand champion or grand champion).

## **Good News!**

The 4-H Board has voted to not have a county 4-H program fee again in 2021. This means that 4-H members in grades 3-12 will only pay the \$15 state 4-H program fee. Mini 4-H members will be free again this year!





## 2021 4-H Fling

The 4-H Fling is going virtual!

February 27th - Preorder chicken dinners starting first week of February and pick up at the CES on the 27th. Dinners will be \$10 and include chicken and potatoes. If you would like to donate an item for our virtual silent auction that will be held on our Facebook page, let Jean know.

## Allen Co 4-H Clubs, Inc. Board

The Allen County 4-H Program is overseen by a 15 member Board of Directors. New memberd are elected at an Annual Meeting in November each year. This group meets monthly; their job is to oversee the entire 4-H Program in Allen County. They secure funding to run the 4-H Program year round, provide guidance within the bounds of the State 4-H guidelines for all 4-H programming, work at expansion of 4-H programming to all youth, approve changes and improvements. They also serve on various subcommittees that meet throughout the year.

## Allen County Fairgrounds, Inc.

The Allen County Fairgrounds is run by a 20 member Board of Directors. They are elected at an Annual Meeting held in February. They are responsible for the operations and running of the Allen County Fairgrounds year round. This group owns the Allen County Fairgrounds. They also have several subcommittees-the Fair Committee oversees the Allen County Fair each July. The Allen County Fairgrounds does not receive any county income. Their income is from fundraisers, rentals and memberships.

The Fair Committee is open to anyone interested. This group meets monthly on Thursdays. If you wish to volunteer to help on this committee, call the Fairgrounds at 499-4444.

# How do Allen Co 4-H Clubs, Inc and the Allen Co Fairgrounds, Inc. work together?

Both groups work together to make sure that the Allen County Fair is a success. The Allen County 4-H Program is also allowed to use the Allen County Fairgrounds facilities free for 4-H workshops and meetings. These have to be approved by both groups. The annual number of days used is approximately 104 days with a rentall value of \$40,100.00. When a 4-H group chooses to use the Allen County Fairgrounds for open shows or fundraising events they pay a rental fee. This rental fee is specific for the 4-H Program, One member from the 4-H Board attends the monthly meetings of the Allen County Fairgrounds Board and serves in an ex-officio capacity.



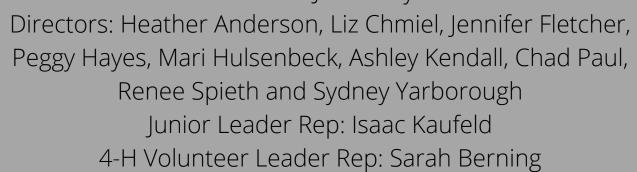




## Allen County 4-H Board Members

The following are the newly elected officers and members of the Allen County 4-H Board of Directors. This group meets monthly to oversee the 4-H Program in Allen County.

President: Shawn Parker
Vice President: Jason Howard
Secretary: Stephanie Bailey
Treasurer: Jacob Taylor



## **Fundraisers**

4-H Plant Sale Fundraiser
We will be having a plant sale this year! We will have order forms in early February with more information. Stay tuned!

# **Shooting Sports**

Muzzleloading & Archery

The next two opportunities will be the 4-H Archery & Muzzleloading programs. Muzzleloading will begin in April. Archery will begin in May. Continue to watch your email for details once dates are set.

# Youth Opportunities

Interested in Being a 4-H Camp Counselor?
Currently a student in Grades 9-12?
Interested in teaching, leading, & mentoring 4-H youth in grades 3-6 while meeting and getting to know other 4-H members your age from Northeast Indiana?
If so, then consider being a 4-H Camp Counselor!

- ☐ Location: 4-H Camp will be at Epworth Forest on Lake Webster this year!
- ☐ Applications will be available soon. Stay tuned for an e-mail with those details.
- ☐ Applications will be due to the Purdue Extension Allen County Office by February 1.
- ☐ Interested?? Contact the Extension office at 260-481-6429 or email jkendall@purdue.edu

| Opportunity                        | Description   | <b>Eligibility</b> | Due Date     | Event Date 💌 |
|------------------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 4-H Scholarship                    | AII 4-H Scholarships  | Varies             | January 15th | N/A          |
| National 4-H Conference            | Youth from around the nation come together to learn about 4-H   | Grade 10+          | December 1st | April 10-15  |
| 4-H Academy                        | Science Workshops   | 9-12 grade         | May 10th     | June 9-11    |
| State 4-H Band                     | Perform at Monday evening of 4-H Round-Up   | 9-12 grade         | April 1st    | June 19-21   |
|                                    | This is a great way for 4-Hers to learn about degrees that Purdue   |                    |              |              |
| 4-H Round-Up                       | has to offer and experience campus living   | 7-9 grade          | June 1st     | June 21-23   |
| State 4-H Junior Leader Conference | Jr Leaders from across the state join together to learn about how to be leaders in their community and plan state activities  Perform at closing session of 4-H Round-Up and on 4-H   | 9-12 grade         | May 10th     | June 15-18   |
| State 4-H Chorus                   | Day at Indiana State Fair   | 9-12 grade         | April 1st    | June 19-22   |
|                                    | Participate in contemporary issue workshops: international affairs, human relations, government, ecology, conservation, family life/dating, community development, drama/creative expression, economics, ag policy, leadership careers. Virtual |                    |              |              |
| Citizenship Washington Focus       | in 2021.  | 9-12 grade         | March 15th   | TBD          |

Junior Leaders - we need your input! Kelsey is sending out a survey soon asking what days and times might work for monthly meetings. Be checking your email and please respond! Looking forward to starting the Junior Leader year!

# TEENS AS TEACHERS 2021

Save the Date!



Indiana 4-H Teens as Teachers 2021 offered via a hybrid/virtual concept including:

- Orientation webinars via Zoom:
  - February 9, 16, and 237:00-8:00pm (EST)
- Track content:
  - February 27, 10:00am-12:30pm (EST)
- Open to youth grades 8-11
- \$35/youth; 1 adult mentor/team at no cost
- Registration due via 4-H Online by February 2 - contact your 4-H Educator for registration







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Save the date for Teens as Teachers 2021! Youth in grades 8-11 can join us this February via Zoom.

# Horse and Pony

4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team

Do you want to learn more about horses and judging them? Then the 4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team may be for you! You do NOT need to own a horse or even know much about horses to join this group. You will learn! This is for youth currently in grades 3-12. They normally meet on Monday nights 6-8 PM from January-April. If interested, please contact Lisa Didion, 4-H Volunteer Coach of the team at 260-740-8313 or email lisagididion.ld@gmail.com.



#### 4-H Scholarships

It's that time of year again! Time to start thinking about scholarships. Scholarship application forms, information, and instructions on applying via 4HOnline are available at https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/scholarships.aspx. Questions? Call Samm at 260.481.6826.

Scholarships available include:

#### **4-H Accomplishment Scholarships**

Available to 4-H members in grade 10-12 and the year immediately following high school graduation. Selection is based on the member's life skill development resulting from their 4-H participation. Awards range from \$1,000.00-\$2,000.00. Categories include Animal Science; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; Plant and Environmental Science; Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

#### 4-H Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University, as a freshman or transfer student, majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors, listed on the application, in the College of Health and Human Sciences. Selection is based on the member's overall 4-H achievement and financial need as determined by Purdue's Division of Financial Aid. In order to apply applications must have their FAFSA on file by March 1st. (Reminder: The scholarship is due January 25th). In order to access the Federal Student Aid website an FSA ID (username and password) will need to be created. Students and parents must make their? own FSA IDs. For more information about the FSA ID, tips and resources to help with creating an FSA ID, and a link to create an FSA ID, please visit StudentAid.gov/fsaid.

#### 4-H Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school. Selection is based on the member's overall 4-H achievement. Awards range from \$250.00-\$1,000.00.

Laurenz Greene Memorial Excellence in 4-H Horticulture Scholarship
Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University Department of Horticulture and
Landscape Architecture pursuing an undergraduate degree in Horticulture, Turf
Management and Science, Sustainable Food and Farming Systems or Landscape Architecture.
Applicants must have studied at least four years horticulture and/or plant science related
subject matter/project through Indiana 4-H Youth Development. Selection is based on the
member's overall 4-H achievement.

#### **FarmHouse Fraternity Achievement Scholarship**

This scholarship is sponsored by The Purdue FarmHouse Foundation fo FarmHouse Fraternity and is restricted to an Indiana 4-H member who will be a freshman at Purdue University. Indiana 4-H youth development staff do not review applications and are not involved in the selection process.



We're so excited about this new Financial Literacy Program Series! Join us and learn about being mindful of your money, credit cards, what all goes into making a budget, the power of compound interest, financial independence, taxes & more!

Making Cents is a virtual, state-wide SPARK Program designed for 7th-12th graders. All sessions will be held via Zoom and will last an hour. Sessions will start in January. Youth will register at https://bit.ly/MakingCents4H

See the attached flyer for session details. Current and non-current 4-Hers are invited to participate!

Contact Kelsey Younce at kyounce@purdue.edu with questions!



## **Livestock Information**

#### 2020 Animal Deadlines

Please try to complete all enrollment in animal projects by the January 30th. We send information electronically to youth enrolled in specific 4-H projects. We cannot send you the information if you have not enrolled in that specific project. This will be important information on ID dates, 4HOnline deadlines, etc.

| February<br>13 | Tagging/ID for all - Beef Heifers<br>& Steers, Dairy Beef Steers  | 8-10<br>AM  |
|----------------|---|-------------|
| April 1        | 4HOnline Deadline for ID of all Beef<br>Steers & Dairy Beef Steers  |             |
| April 17       | Tagging/ID - all Dairy Beef Feeder Calves   | 8-10 AM     |
| April 29       | Tagging/ID - all Sheep and all goats  | 6-8 PM      |
| May 15         | 4HOnline Deadline for ID of all Beef Heifers and Junior Calves<br>Dairy Beef Feeder Calves, Horse & Pony, Llama, Sheep, Swine.<br>Also Project Add & Drop |             |
| June 30        | Activity Sheets due to the Extension<br>Office  | By 4:30     |
| June 30        | Fair Entry done online (what I am Exhibiting at the County Fair)  | By 11:59 PM |

### **Upcoming Workshops:**

| Swine Workshop | March 8, 6:30 pm | County Extension Office |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Swine Workshop | June 16,         | Kneubuhler Farm         |



Save the dates for YQCA!

You should now be able to log on to yqca.org and register for classes. If you have any problems, call the office or email kyounce@purdue.edu

Due to COVID-19, we have decided to cancel our January date

# News for 4-H Volunteers



# Please reenroll as a 4-H volunteer in 4HOnline 2.0

#### **New for 2021**

 Most of our volunteers are due for renewing the 2021 Working with Minors training. Due to insurance purposes, this must be completed prior to working with 4-H youth.

# Returning volunteers Log-in to the NEW v2.4HOnline.com website to re-enroll for 2021!

Keep your eyes peeled for some fun and informative online training opportunities for Allen County 4-H volunteers over the next few months.







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# Virtual 4-H Volunteer Development Series

THURSDAYS, 6-7 PM EST

- Learn how to manage 4-H guidelines in a COVID-19 World.
- Discover how to create a positive environment and inclusive educational experience for all youth.

Register for the series at:

https://bit.ly/4hvolunteerdevseries

All sessions will be conducted via Zoom and workshop information will be sent out two days prior to each session.

For more information, please contact your local Purdue Extension Office.



Session One: Jan. 14th

# 4-H in a COVID World

Presenters: Samm Johnson, Tami Mosier, and Todd Geiger

Session Three: Jan. 28th

#### Virtual STEM Learning

Presenters: Todd Geiger and JP Pietrowski Session Two: Jan. 21st

#### Social Support and Mental Health

Presenters: Samm Johnson, Tami Mosier, and Amy Rumschlag

Session Four: Feb. 4th
Recruitment
and Retention
of 4-H Members

Presenters: Emily Luc and Kelsey Younce









Purdue University is an equal opportunity/ equal access/ affirmative action institution.

Join 4-H Youth Development Educators for a Virtual 4-H Volunteer Training Series.

Register for sessions at: https://bit.ly/4hvolunteerdevseries

# CALENDAR

#### January 2021

18 Office Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

19 Horse & Pony Volunteers Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO

25 4-H Scholarships Due Online

#### February 2021

13 Cattle Weigh in (Large). 8-10 am @ FG's (20th Snowdate)

24 Swine Committee, 7 pm @ FG's

27 4-H Fling - Virtual

# 2021 Allen County Fair July 27-August 1



# 2021 Indiana State Fair August 6-22