2021 Fair Dates Fulton County Fair—July 10-17 Indiana State Fair—August 6-22

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There's still time to join 4-H. <u>DO NOT create a new record if you</u> <u>already have one from last year</u>. The online enrollment site is located at: https://v2.4Honline.com. The quickest and easiest way

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IMPORTANT

INFORMATION

would be for you to use a credit card to pay your enrollment fee. Otherwise, a check **made payable to PUR-DUE CES** would have to be sent to the Extension Office. In order to be enrolled, receive your project materials, and participate in any of the activities, your enrollment fee must be paid.

4-H Leaders

Every 4-H Club is required to turn in their club's financial review/audit information. You should have received this the first part of February. If you did not, please contact the office at 223-3397. It is due to the office by April 1. We realize that your club may not have done very much last year due to our COVID restrictions, but the reports are still required.

Some clubs are planning on meeting this year; others are planning to do zoom meetings. Please send any meeting dates to **chris101@purdue.edu** or contact the office so we are aware of your plans and can also pass along this information to club members if necessary.

- If you are planning **in-person meetings**, we do need to have a COVID Safety plan on file that has been approved by Purdue. I emailed these to you back in December. You probably didn't know what you wanted to do that early into the 4-H year. If you need the information sent again, let me know. We have some clubs that have approved plans so we could provide those as a guide. They are not difficult or time-consuming to fill out.
- If you prefer to have **ZOOM meetings** but are unsure of how to do this, we have people in the office that would be able to help you set this up. There just needs to be something available for those members that want/need meetings. Some of the members are enrolled in the **College Savings Program** which requires that they attend a minimum of 2 meetings. All members receive points for the club meetings (regular club meetings, Jr. Leaders, & H & P meetings) and workshops (Spark clubs, project, livestock, dog, electric, H & P clinics, animal workshops, YQCA training and tractor meetings) if they choose to fill out their 4-H Record of Achievement forms which are used in determining special honors.
- Books are pulled if any of you are having club meetings and wish to pass out the project information.

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2021 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 2021 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 Wethers	Breed Registry Tattoo	40 dairy goats total	May 15	
Meat Goat Wethers	5-digit County Tag or Tattoo 840-RFID Tag and 5-digitCounty Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15	
Boer Goat Females, Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	40 meat goats total	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	Color Picture	20 total	May 15	
Llama and Alpaca	Color Picture	20 total	May 15	
Sheep Market Lambs	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample			
Commercial Ewes	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag/or official scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample	30 sheep total	May 15	
Market Goat Does (Wether Dams) Pygmy Goats Registered Unregistered Horses and Pony Llama and Alpaca Sheep Market Lambs Commercial Ewes Registered Ewes Swine	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	

Animal ID Tags for 2021

Checks should be made Payable to 4-H Council. You will need your 7-Digit PREMISES ID when you pick up your tag.

Beef	Goats & Sheep	Swine
RFID—\$4 County—\$2	County (Yellow)—\$1 State Fair (Green)—\$2	RFID—\$3



All Beef members—Beef, Dairy Beef Steers, and all Commercial (Non-Registered) Heifers will have Beef ID Tagging day on **March 6, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m**. Required forms were sent along with important information about the Beef ID. If you did not receive the letter, contact the office.

Project Spotlight

We will be "spotlighting" some of our projects and specialty clubs over the next few months. Maybe you would be interested in a certain project but you know very little about the project. Be sure to check them out. Our first "**Project Spotlight**" is on the **Dog Obedience Project** and **Model Railroading.**

4-H Dog Obedience Project

Fulton County Mighty Mutts 4-H Dog Club is a fun, active way to enjoy 4-H. Obedience is the main focus but there are also opportunities to participate in Showmanship

and Agility when you and your dog are ready. All kids from 3rd-12th grade with dogs 6 months old or older by April 15 may join. No previous training is required and dogs of all breeds and mixed breeds are welcome. Weekly training classes start in March and by the 4-H Fair in July you will be ready to show off what you and your dog have learned.

Many of the members continue to attend training classes until the State Fair Dog Show in August with the opportunity to compete in Obedience, Showmanship and Agility. The club members enjoy supporting each other at this Top-Notch show and it is a great way to meet 4-H members from other counties that also love dogs. Top Handler awards are given at the Fall Banquet to those earning the most points in many areas such as attendance, helping with equipment, show scores, and more.

Whether you are interested in creating a bond with your dog by training Obedience or mastering the fun of obstacles and handling in the Agility course, sign up for the **Dog Obedience Project**. For more information contact **Penny Conover 574-835-4138 or LeeAnn Pollock 765-427-3623.**



Model Railroading

The **Model Railroad 4-H Club** is an all-inclusive county club that encourages and teaches kids many STEM skills. These skills cross many spectrums from:

- building model kits and scratch building a building,
- how to develop a scaled landscape,
- to design and build a layout whether you have a whole room or just a board, and
- how to do the basic wiring necessary to get set up and going with your layout (with an adult's help of course).

The most important part is we like to have fun!

Since we are a county club, you don't have to join the club just to do the project. However, it sure does help you out to be involved in the meetings, and, in the case of **this year**, **videos**! We have a **Facebook** group that we will have things posted in, as well as the county page. We will be having Zoom meetings and video demonstrations for the rest of the spring, especially since the weather will be iffy to get to the fairgrounds and we have iffy luck with the power.

<u>Zoom Meetings</u>: March 14 April 11

Meetings will start at 2 p.m. Watch our Facebook page Purdue Extension—Fulton County 4-H Clubs Watch for our Special Page, too.



Indiana 4-H Winter Photography Contest

Members enrolled in Photography—You may have received an email from Purdue on behalf of Tony Carrell about this upcoming Winter Photography Contest. It sounds like a fun thing to do and costs nothing. Below is the information that you should have received. Also note the FREE 4-H photography workshop via Zoom. What a wonderful opportunity since the person leading the workshop is the state fair judge!

You're invited to show off your photography skills in the Indiana 4-H Winter Photography Contest. The contest is sponsored by the Indiana 4-H Foundation with financial support from an anonymous donor. Winners:

- Determined through public voting
- From each age division
- Will receive a cash prize!

Submissions are open through March 15 Voting will take place March 22-28



Learn more, enter, and vote at https://purdue.ag/4hphotocontest.

A FREE 4-H photography workshop will be offered via Zoom on Wednesday March 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm, led by Indiana State Fair 4-H photography judge Tracy Morgan. Register via 4-H Online by February 28, 2021.

We are excited to see your creative winter photos!



Watch the mail for tickets and more information!

Project manuals and instructions have been pulled for those that have paid their enrollment fee. If your club has not met yet, they may be picked up in the office anytime from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

4-H Seniors

You should have received a letter about Senior Pictures. If you did not receive one, let me know so I can send the form that needs to be filled out.

The Rochester Sentinel and the Shopping Guide News Fair Editions-Again this year, your wallet size **head shot** picture and answers to certain questions will be published in the Fair Section of the Rochester Sentinel and The Shopping Guide News. Please return these by April 1, 2021. This will be done no matter which kind of fair we have, so please return the form and a wallet size HEAD SHOT of you. Contact me for the form if you DID NOT get the letter.



- Photo Display—We are going to display a 5" X 7" photo of you in the display case in the Community Building for the rest of the year. It is our "Senior Wall of Fame". If you have one you would like for us to use, you may bring it to the office to be scanned **OR** send it as an attachment (the picture needs to be a jpeg) to my email at chris101@purdue.edu. We can also just scan the wallet size photo and enlarge it. If you do not have one, we will be happy to take your picture.
- Fair Display—If we are able to have an in-person fair, each senior 4-H member will have a special display in the 4-H Community Building. This was included in the letter, but more information about this will be available when we know the type of fair we will have.