## 2021 - 2022MARTIN COUNTY EXTENSION **Program Highlights**



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

- Learner Sessions: 54
- Learner Hours: 86
- Fast Start Outreaches: 146
- Fast Start Contacts: 6493
- Learning Event Volunteers: 123

## **4-H PROGRAM STATISTICS**

## County Youth Learn Life Skills through 4-H

Martin County youth in grades K-12 are participating in programs provided by 4-H Youth Development staff and volunteers. Members in local 4-H clubs learn life skills related to leadership, health and safety, citizenship and agriculture.

- 765 Youth Participants 55 Certified Adult Volunteers
- 666 Martin County 4-H Fair Projects
- 80+ Indiana State Fair Projects
- 214 Enrolled Club Youth



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Cade Maschino

Tucker Walton

Galactic Quest STEM Challenge

Fun at the fair

County Youth Learn Life Skills through 4-H Up by 33 enrolled Club Youth, 214 youth in grades K-12 enrolled in 4-H club programming provided by Martin County 4-H Youth Development staff and volunteers. Members in local 4-H clubs learn life skills related to leadership, health and safety, citizenship, and agriculture. Youth have options of different clubs in which they may participate as well as hundreds of local, area, state and national projects and activities to be involved in. The Martin County 4-H fair provides an opportunity to showcase learning and growth. The county fair is the primary point of access of the Indiana State Fair involvement.

Junior Leaders A key feature in the success of leadership development in a 4-H program, Junior Leaders is a service club in 4-H dedicated to increasing citizenship, responsibility and leadership opportunities for youth in Martin County and the State of Indiana. Examples of community service projects Junior Leaders have completed in the past include hosting food drives, recycling bottle caps into benches, serving at Ag Day, and volunteering to clean the local fairgrounds.

4-H Scholarships Tucker Walton received an Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship for his overall 4-H achievement. Cade Maschino was a finalist for the Indiana 4-H Foundation Accomplishment Scholarship in Healthy Living. Congratulations to both!

Martin County 4-H Fair The 4-H fair is a showcase celebration that provides the opportunity for the community to enjoy the talents of our local youth through projects, demonstrations, and exhibitions, including but not limited to: art skills, cooking, baking, livestock care and showmanship, and craftsmanship. Hold the date for the 2023 Martin County 4-H Fair, July 7-11, 2023.

Galactic Quest STEM Challenge Youth in grades 2-5 participated in the Galactic Quest STEM Challenge, a national program, at Shoals Elementary! Led by Purdue Extension Martin County through the youth development 4-H program volunteers, students received hands-on STEM and cooperative peer experiences through exploration, creation, and problem solving.

## SOCIAL MEDIA CONNECTIONS

Instagram 297 Followers 445 Reach

Facebook 521 Followers 19,229 Reach



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Applied Research for Safe Food Handling

**Summer 4-H Camp** Youth in grades 3-6 enjoyed 2 days of activities including: survival skills, swimming, field games, crafts, and more. Youth were empowered by trained camp counselors and encouraged to try new things and celebrate their successes! Campers learned to work together to make an impact on their community as well as independence.

Four of the Indiana State House Attendees

4-H at Indiana State House Civic Engagement through Indiana 4-H at the Indiana State House during the 2022 Legislative Session. Martin County was well represented with six youth and three adults attending.

Applied Research What a time! The Purdue Extension Food Safety Training Hub and Purdue Extension Martin County, 4-H and Shoals High School joined forces to complete 1 of 4 independent applied research experiments in regards to food safety of leafy greens. Special thanks to Scott Monroe for his expertise of food safety and the research design process.

PARP Fifty-one (51) people attended the last Martin County PARP workshop. Programs and certifications continue to be monitored to ensure producers are making safe and environmentally conscious decisions.



Martin County Community Foundation Gift

Martin County Youth Civic Engagement Council

Ferns for Auction

Extension Board Event

Martin County Youth Civic Engagement Council Led by winning communities, the Martin County Youth Civic Engagement Council was revived to assist in creating strategic goals and objectives for the direction of the Community from the youth perspective. Extension is a support and part of the Community Advisory Council. This group of young people participate in leadership training, meet to outline a vision, goals, and measurable objectives that ultimately may be added to a Community Plan and work on specific projects for the betterment of the Community.

Extension Board Annual Meeting The Martin County Extension Board hosted an Open House event with special guest speaker, Kenny Frye. Mr. Frye has been involved with Extension his entire life, and shared some insights and motivations on his experience with Cooperative Extension Services. He credits 4-H for much of his successes in life.

Statewide Program Meet & Greet with Dr. Casey Mull was hosted by Martin County and held on the Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds. Nearly 100 attended including leadership from NSA Crane, state and local elected officials, other leaders, and Alyssa McKillip, Miss Indiana State Fair 2022.



Miss 2022 Indiana with Stakeholders

Meet & Greet Event