

# Fulton County 4-H Newsletter



## 2024 Fair Dates

Fulton County 4-H Fair – July 7-13, 2024

Indiana State Fair – August 2-18, 2024

## **HAPPY NEW YEAR FULTON COUNTY 4-H'ERS AND FAMILIES!!**

### **4-H Online Broadcast Emails**

Parents and Volunteers – We are hearing that 4-H Online emails are going to spam or junk email. Here in Fulton County, we do utilize this form of communication because it is the simplest way to send a mass email across all of our 4-H clubs and projects. Please check your spam folder and if you see RegMax emails. You will need to go into settings for your email provider and allow emails from “RegMax - Purdue Extension/Indiana 4-H”. The state 4-H office also uses this form of communication for state activities and information.

### **ENROLLMENT FEES**

There are several unpaid enrollment fees. Your children are not fully enrolled until fees are paid.

- ❖ If your card did not go through, emails were sent out by Kris Batten, battenk@purdue.edu . Please sign onto 4-H Online at v2.4honline.com and update your card information.
- ❖ For those who selected to pay in office, invoices were mailed out. Please either stop in the office or mail your payment to 1009 W 3<sup>rd</sup> ST, Rochester, IN 46975 or utilize the drop box outside the Community Building door on the South end of the building.

### **MINI 4-H**

Sign-Up Deadline May 15<sup>th</sup>

- Mini 4-H is open to all children in kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. It’s a fun way to learn about regular 4-H with NO COST to join.
- Attending 4-H meetings is not required but each club would welcome, and be glad to have minis attend.
- Signing up for Mini 4-H in 4-H online is required and allows us to send information out about camp, and more activities, throughout the year. In June, the Jr. Leaders host a Mini 4-H Day Camp.

### **ARE YOU NEW TO 4-H?**

Mark your calendars if you are in mini 4-H or are new to 4-H and have questions.

Crystal, 4-H Youth Extension Educator, is hosting an hour-long session to introduce Fulton County 4-H and answer any questions you may have about projects, fair week, 4-H Online, Fair Entry, etc. February 21st from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Community Building on the fairgrounds. Please join our Facebook group Purdue Extension-Fulton County for any updates.

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## PROJECT ADD/DROP DEADLINE

You have till May 15<sup>th</sup> to add or drop projects. So if your child wanted to sign-up for a project or they have changed their mind on a project, you may go on to 4-H Online and make updates to the projects. Please contact the office by phone 574-223-3397 or email Crystal, [cgrossm@purdue.edu](mailto:cgrossm@purdue.edu), if you make any changes so we know for when we send out project guidelines.

Enroll online at <https://v2.4honline.com> using a phone, tablet, or computer.

4-H Online QR Code



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### **! Static Project Name Updates: !**

During the enrollment process on 4-H Online you are going to notice a few changes in the list of projects. If your child participates in the following projects: Cat Poster, Dog Poster, Foods: Bake, Food: Preserve, Fun with Mixes, Poultry Poster, Rabbit Poster, Sewing: Wearable, and Sewing: Non-Wearable. They are all still projects, just listed differently. Keep reading!

**Cat Poster, Dog Poster, Poultry Poster, and Rabbit Poster** – If your child is interested in any of these animal poster projects you will now choose Animal Education in 4-H Online. It does not mean your child will do all of them. Your child will just make a poster for their chosen animal and follow the animal poster guidelines in the summary guide that goes with that species. Then when it comes time in June to complete FairEntry you will identify which species of animal poster you are bringing for the Animal Education project.

**Foods: Baked, Foods: Preserve, & Fun with Mixes** – If your child wants to participate in the foods project you will simply just choose Foods now. You no longer need to specify which category of Foods in 4-H Online. When it comes time in June to complete FairEntry you will at that time verify what kind of food item(s) you are bringing to the county fair. Fun with Mixes is now Foods: Baked

**Sewing: Wearable and Non-Wearable**- If your child is interested in the sewing project, you will now just choose sewing in the project list on 4-H Online. Then when it comes to completing FairEntry you will input what you are bringing to the county fair.

If you have any concerns or questions, please reach out to the extension office at 574-223-3397 or you can email Crystal directly at [cgrossm@purdue.edu](mailto:cgrossm@purdue.edu).

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## Seniors/10 Year Members

We have mailed out a request for a senior photo and a small questionnaire about your future plans after high school and your favorite 4-H activities/memories. This information is for us to celebrate you by posting in the local newspaper, posting on our Extension 4-H webpage, and hanging up your photo in the community building.

Please return your information to the extension office by April 1st.

If you did not receive the information in the mail please reach out to the extension office and we will get it to you.

## 4-H Clover Patches

If you are interested in a 4-H Clover patch for your varsity jacket (looks like the picture below), we have them available for purchase in the extension office. They are \$10.00 a piece.



## 2024 FULTON COUNTY 4-H ANIMAL DATES

### Mark Your Calendars

Animal Enrollment Deadlines	
Species	Deadline
All Project and Animal 4-H Online Deadline	May 15
State Fair Deadline to register Dairy, Sheep, Goats, Beef & Feeder Calf, Swine, without penalty	July 1
State Fair Deadline to register Dogs, Cats, Horse & Pony, Poultry, Rabbits without penalty	July 1
<b>ALL PROJECTS MUST BE REGISTERED IN FairEntry.com—ANIMALS</b>	July 1
<b>YQCA PAPERWORK COMPLETED AND COPY TO THE OFFICE</b>	July 1

2024 Weigh-in/Tag Dates			
Species	Date	Time	Location
<b>Beef, Dairy Steer</b>	Saturday, March 9, 2024	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Fairgrounds
<b>Commercial Non-Registered</b>	Saturday, March 9, 2024	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Fairgrounds
<b>Sheep</b>	Friday, May 3, 2024	5:30-7:00 p.m.	Fairgrounds
<b>All Feeder Calves</b>	Saturday, May 4, 2024	9:00-10:00 a.m.	Fairgrounds
<b>Goats</b>	Saturday, May 4, 2024	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Fairgrounds

**Dog Project Open House** – February 25, 2024 @ 2:00 PM – Community Building  
(No dogs at this meeting)

Be on the lookout for 4-H Club meeting dates as a few will be starting in February.

## 2024 4-H CLUB INFORMATION

Club	Leaders	Phone #	Location
<b>Aubbee Gamblers</b> Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Emily Schouten Erica Rude	574-542-2853 765-480-0689	Leiter's Ford Community Building
<b>Burton Busy Bees</b> Monday, 7:00 p.m.	Scott Burton Jenna Burton	574-551-7559	Fairgrounds—Community Bldg. (CB) or Everett Smith (ES)
<b>Cat's Meow—For those who DO NOT plan on attending meetings.</b>		574-223-3397	
<b>Fulton County Bullseyes</b> Monday, 6:30 p.m.	Brian Johnson Joe Cook Nick Taylor Jeremy Conley Steve Whistler	574-223-9690 260-579-2299 574-727-5830 765-702-8110 574-223-5019	Fulton County Conservation Club (behind Fulton County Museum) or Everett Smith Bldg. or Ringers Outdoors
<b>Fulton County Horse &amp; Pony</b> Tuesday, 6:45 p.m. sign in	Julie Moore Leslie Crissinger	574-505-0042 574-835-0255	Fairgrounds—Community Bldg.
<b>Henry Hardy Farmers</b> Sunday, 4:00 p.m.	Stacey Harsh Kim Backus	574-780-0534 574-505-0056	Tippy Valley Middle School Commons
<b>Liberty Leaders</b> Various days, 7:00 p.m.	Rachel Emery Kyle Emery Tiffany Douglass Josh Douglass	219-789-6334 812-459-5705 765-376-6187 574-727-0025	Fulton Baptist Temple
<b>Model Railroading</b> Sunday, 2:00-4:00 p.m.	Allison Earp Tara Seuferer Scott Seuferer	574-225-2749 574-835-0145 574-835-3755	Model Railroading Club House
<b>Newcastle Nifties</b> <b>Monday, 7:00 p.m.</b>	Letitia Geller Jessica Clauson	574-835-0945 574-835-6760	Jessica's house 4127 E 550 N; Rochester
<b>Reiter Busy Workers</b> Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Marci Murphy	574-835-5370	
<b>Richland Clodhoppers/Never Give Up</b>	Kim Gardner Andy Gardner	574-201-1152 574-201-7455	Fulton County Museum
<b>Rochester Ag 4-H Club—for High School Ag Students ONLY</b>	Justin Pearson	574-835-4223	High School during school hours
<b>Wayne Trophy Finders/Wide Awake</b> Sunday, 2:30 p.m.	Tammy Vigar Sandy Luhnnow	574-835-5292 574-230-3833	Grass Creek Fire Station
<b>Woodrow Peppers/Sodbusters</b> Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.	Lee Ann Eizinger	574-223-8137	Fairgrounds—Everett Smith Building

## OTHER GROUPS—NOT CONSIDERED A CLUB

Group	Leaders	Phone #	Location
<b>Fulton County Electric Meetings</b>	TJ Garner	574-817-0118	REMC
<b>Fulton County Mighty Mutts</b> Tuesday	LeeAnn Pollock Lindsay Straeter	765-427-3623 574-835-6286	Fairgrounds—Everett Smith Building
<b>Junior Leaders—for 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Graders Only</b> Sunday afternoons	Jeannie Rock Beth Cohagan Brian Bauman	574-817-0756 574-835-2181 574-835-1805	Fairground—Community Building or Everett Smith

## 2024 Indiana 4-H State Trips and Events

### 4-H Academy @ Purdue

- Grades 9-12
- June 12-14, 2024
- Opportunity for youth to live on a Big Ten Campus
- Hands-on educational workshops designed to teach technical and workforce preparation skills
- Registration due May 15
- List of workshops on next slide

### 4-H Academy @ Purdue Workshops

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| ▪ Animal Bio-Science                                | ▪ Food Science/Nutrition Science |
| ▪ Animal Health                                     | ▪ Natural Resources              |
| ▪ Food Animal                                       | ▪ Plant Science                  |
| ▪ Horse and Companion Animal                        | ▪ Show Me the Money              |
| ▪ Civic Engagement: Community Change Starts with Me | ▪ Spread the News                |
| ▪ Exploring Health Careers                          | ▪ Computer Engineering           |
| ▪ Intro to EMS                                      | ▪ Science of Flight              |



### 4-H Band and Chorus

- Grades 9-12
- Do not have to be a 4-H member
- Intensive instructional workshop
- Professor Matthew Conaway, Band Director
- Ms. Meghan Farris, Chorus Director
- Perform at 4-H Round-Up
- June 22-25, 2024
- Registration deadline May 15
- Great volunteer chaperone opportunity



### 4-H Round-Up

- Middle school aged youth conference, Grades 7-9
- Approximately 500 youth and adult participants
- Introductory leadership development
- Career awareness
- Experience living in residence halls and navigating a Big Ten campus
- June 24-26, 2024
- Registration Deadline May 15
- Adult chaperones free unless single occupancy room requested.
- Chaperones must be 18 or older



### Indiana State Fair Exhibit Hall Worker

- Applications due April 15
- Manage exhibits and create displays to highlight 4-H talents and skills
- Interface with public for 4-H and State Fair
- Workforce and career preparation opportunity
- About 70 youth live and work at 4-H Complex

### National 4-H Congress

- November 29-30, 2024
- Delegates are selected through an application and interview process
- Application deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Premier leadership development conference
- Sponsored by Indiana State Fair
- Delegates pay \$600 toward expenses

If you would like further information about any of these state events, you can go to <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/state-programs/index.html> or reach out to the extension office. You may also Sign-Up through 4-H Online – Events. Please share with your friends and family.

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