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Benton County 4-H News



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Indiana 4-H Mission

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who will have a positive impact in their communi-

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Hello 4-Hers, Families, and Volunteers,

Our May 15th animal ID/DNA deadline is coming up soon!

Nick will be hosting a QLC/Open House on May 15th.

This is an opportunity to meet Nick and Kelly, ask questions about projects/posters/animals, get help with 4-H Online/FairEntry, and hear tips and tricks from a couple local experts.

Everyone is welcome to this event! Current 4-Hers, 4-H alumni, new 4-H families, volunteers, anyone interested in volunteering/judging, and potential 4-Hers that want to ask questions before they commit.

We look forward to seeing you there.

4-H QLC/Open House

May 15th 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Benton County Annex

- 6:00pm – 6:40pm: QLC training
- 6:40pm – 7:00pm: Tips and tricks from experts
- 7:00pm – 8:00pm: Open House

Open House will consist of tables for each of the 6 project categories (which are: Animal Science, Communication & Expressive Arts, Engineering & Technological Science, Healthy Living, Leadership & Citizenship, Plant & Environmental Science) with a knowledgeable adult/4-Her team, tables for animal projects, and a table for 4-H/FairEntry questions.

Inside this Issue:

- Dates: County Fair, State Fair, Camps, Club & Mini 4-H Meeting, and Beef, Goat, & Sheep Weigh-In
- Contact Info for: Club Leaders & Barn Superintendents
- Camp Information
- Sponsors
- Safe Place—National Safe Place Week
- Indiana 4-H Broadband
- Purdue Fast Start

Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity institution.

Camp & Trip Opportunities



Camp & State Trip Dates

- 4-H Camp - Grade 3-6 - Shakamak State Park - June 12th - 14th

Cost \$100 Deadline Friday, April 26th



- 4-H Academy - Grade 9-12 - Purdue University - June 12th - 14th
- 4-H Round-Up - Grade 7-9 - Purdue University - June 24th - 26th
- Band & Chorus - Grade 9-12—Purdue University - June 22nd - 25th

Cost \$250 before May 15th then price increases, final deadline May 29th

****Nick is going to be chaperone at both 4-H Round Up and 4-H Camp.
Come hang out with Nick and get to know him!****

Camp Counselor Training Meeting

will be held at the Benton County Annex from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Monday, April 22nd

Tuesday, May 7th

Wednesday, May 22nd

Thursday, June 6th



BENTON COUNTY 4-H SUMMER CAMP



Join us for some summer fun at
Shakamak State Park!

Activities :



Hiking and Trekking!



Arts and Crafts!



Boating and Fishing!



Line Dancing and Drama Skit!



Outdoor Cooking!

Register By April 26th



765-884-0140



<https://BC4HCamp24.4honline.com>



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Please make checks out to "Benton County 4-H Council".
Mail or drop them off at the Extension Office.
410 S Adeway Suite A, Fowler, IN 47944



**12 - 14
June, 2024**

**Camp Fee
\$100**

2024 Benton County Fair

July 16-22, 2024



2024 State Fair

August 2-18, 2024

Our Newsletter has gone Green

If you would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter by mail, please let us know by calling 765.884.0140 or email Kelly at wallpe2@purdue.edu.



Dog Obedience Training Meeting

Every Monday at 6:30 at the Warren County Colosseum in Williamsport through mid-May and then will move up to Benton County Show Arena.



Want to give back to 4-H? We are always in need of your help. We have a lot of rockstar volunteers that have been doing this for a while. By adding some of your fresh ideas, it can help 4-H grow. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering and giving back, but are unsure of what they can do to help, please reach out to our office for more details! The more we all get a say and lend a hand, the stronger we will become!

The 2024 4-H Handbook is now available online.

Here is a link to the Purdue Extension State Projects

The State projects that have been updated are Aerospace, Communications, Electric, Garden, Genealogy, Photography, Woodworking Techniques, and Food Recipe Card. All the Animals have some changes, as well. Please read thoroughly the projects you are taking and the all the General Information.



[Benton County 4-H 2024 Handbook \(purdue.edu\)](https://www.purdue.edu/4h/handbook)
[4-H Projects \(purdue.edu\)](https://www.purdue.edu/4h/projects)

PROJECT TIP

If you see a project on the website that interests you, but it is not listed in our Handbook, please sign up for Do Your Own Thing. If your DYOT project falls under a state project category that we do not offer, it may still be go to the State Fair under that project if the DYOT judge deems it eligible.

Club Information

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Shooting Sports	Andrew Wilkinson	765-413-7178	andrew.wilkinson@live.com
	Amy Wilkinson	765-427-7373	amy46310@yahoo.com

Dan Patch

All Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at Oxford Public Library every other Sunday

April 28 May 12 & 26 June 9 & 23

Fowler's Finest

Sun., Apr. 21st 5-6 p.m. Benton Annex

Helping Hands

All Meeting will be held at 4 p.m. at the Earl Park Community Park

Sun., May 5th Sun., Jun 2nd
Sun., Jul. 7th

Hometown Hubsters

All Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Boswell Town Hall

TBD

Horse & Pony

Meetings will be held at 7 p.m. at Benton Central in Cassie's classroom J101

Thur., May 9th

Bring any information you still need help uploading onto the system (4HOnline)

Junior Leaders

All Meeting will be held from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Benton County Annex

Junior Farmers

All Meeting will be held at 4:30-6:30 p.m. at OUMC—Otterbein United Methodist Church

Sun., Apr. 21st Sun., May 19th
Sun., Jun. 9th

Mini 4-H - Cloverbuds

All Meeting will be held from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Benton County Annex

Sat., May 4th Sat., Jun. 1st

Lucky Pines

Sun., Apr. 21st 5 p.m. Benton County Annex
Sun., May. 19th 6:30 p.m. Location, TBD
Sun., June 9th 6:30 p.m. Location, TBD

Parish Grove

Sun., May 19th 4 p.m., Location Kelly Wallpe
Sun., Jun. 9th 7 p.m., Location TBD
Sun., Jun. 30th 7 p.m. Home of Kelly Wallpe

Shooting Sports

Sun., Apr. 28th 1-2:30 p.m. Benton Annex
The following meeting will be held from 1-3 p.m. at the Fairground Range
Sun., May 5th Sun., May 19th
Sun., June 9th Sun., June 23rd

Barn Superintendents

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	Kelly Wallpe	765-884-1588	wallpe2@purdue.edu
Rabbit	Alex Ardapple	765-430-2056	lilardapple@gmail.com
Sheep	Kristi Kretzmeier	765-426-1127	kretzmeier5@msn.com
Swine	Jeff Fields	765-426-5708	jfields@purdue.edu



4-H Animal ID Deadline

May 15

Goat & Sheep Weigh-In & Tagging

Wednesday, May 8th

From 5-7 p.m.

At the Fairgrounds in the west-end of
the Coliseum

All 4-H members planning to exhibit livestock at the 2024 Benton County Fair are required to complete an in-person Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training (\$3, sign up in 4HOnline) OR an online YQCA training (\$12, sign up at yqcaprogram.org). You only need to complete one or the other. If you choose YQCA, you will need to email wallpe2@purdue.edu, mail—Purdue Extension Benton County, 410 S Adeway Rd Suite A, Fowler, IN 47944, or drop-off your certificate by Tuesday, July 9th.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training

All Meeting will be held at the Benton County Annex

Wednesday, May 15th - 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5th - 6-8 p.m.

Monday, July 8th - 6-8 p.m. **This is the LAST day to be able to complete training before the fair!**



[2024 Livestock Schedule](#)



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PROGRAM



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PURDUE FAST START PROGRAM,

which makes higher education more affordable for all.

WHAT

Many promising students will now have the opportunity to take their first steps toward a Purdue degree with the new Purdue Fast Start program. Through Purdue's partnership with ModernStates.org, a website featuring more than 30 free, high-quality courses, you can gain assured admission into Purdue by earning free college credit. This partnership will create new opportunities for Indiana students to take giant leaps in their education with a new pathway to Purdue University.

THROUGH THE PURDUE FAST START PROGRAM, STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN GIANT LEAPS A REALITY BY EARNING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE, HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION AT PURDUE.

HOW

To earn acceptance into Purdue, Indiana students can take the Modern States online courses for free. Those who pass a minimum of five corresponding College Board CLEP exams are assured admission to Purdue and will be designated as Klinsky Scholars. Students also will have access to mentors during the program.

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- Free online courses and corresponding CLEP exams through Modern States, covering the entire cost of the Fast Start program
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