



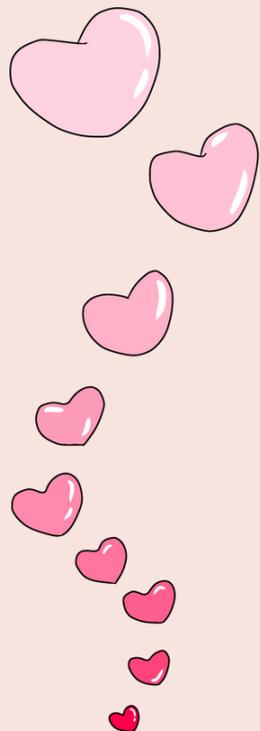
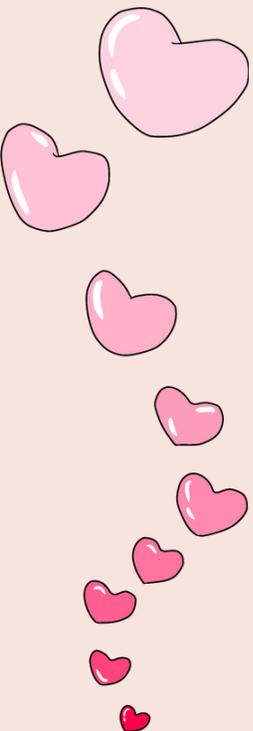
The Scoop



Boone County 4-H Newsletter

≡ Welcome ≡

♥ FEBRUARY ♥



COMING UP IN 2024

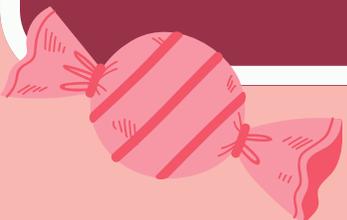
January-March 1st: Indiana 4-H Foundation YES Grants are available for application:
<https://in4h.org/grants/>

February 20th: Summer trips Application deadline. Go here to sign up:
<https://forms.gle/yoLxjp3oQkUcqgvW6>

April 13th: 4-H Barbecue at the Boone County Fairgrounds

April 13th: Beef ID Day from 7:30am-10:30am at the Boone County Fairgrounds

May 9th: Feeder Calf ID Day from 6-7pm at the Boone County Fairgrounds



COMING UP IN 2024 CONT.

May 15th: 4-H drop/add deadline. Email Andi Smith smith484@purdue.edu with add/drop requests or you can fill out an add/drop form in the office

May 15th: 4-H Animal online enrollment deadline

July 20th-26th: Boone County 4-H Fair

August 2nd-18th: Indiana State Fair



Important Project Updates

The Arts & Crafts 4-H project is now called Miscellaneous Crafts.

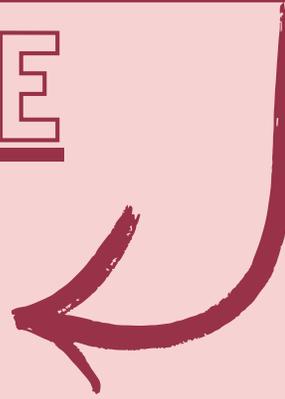
The Latch Hook 4-H project is now part of Miscellaneous Crafts. If you want to participate in Latch Hook, you will sign up for the Miscellaneous Crafts 4-H project.

If you are interested in making a structure out of Legos for the 4-H Fair join the Construction and Architectural Replica project.

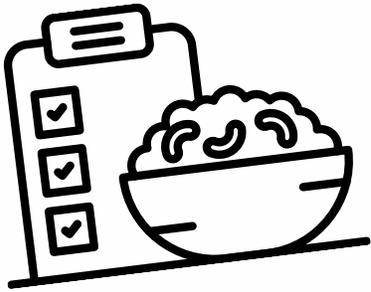
Legos are NOT permitted in the 4-H Self Determined 4-H project.

Our 2024 4-H pre-fair and fair schedule is ready! It would be a good idea to start planning ahead and look to see when your projects will check in and when you will show during the fair. We will be adding more events to this schedule as they are approved by the Fair Board. Please keep in mind that these times and dates are still subject to change.

CHECK OUT THE SCHEDULE HERE!



Become a Boone County 4-H project leader!



Food Preparation



Critter Companion



Sewing



Aerospace



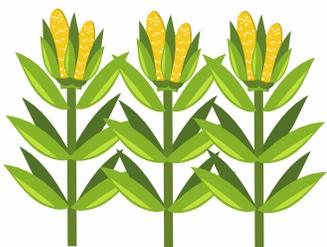
Vet Science



Outdoor chef



Woodworking



Crops

Take the next step in helping your local youth by becoming a 4-H project leader! Each of these projects has an amazing group of 4-H'ers looking for adult leadership and expertise. If you have interest in being a project leader please reach out to our 4-H educator Stephanie Gay at stephanieg@purdue.edu or call our office at 765-482-0750 for next steps.

Join us at
NEW FAMILY
Orientation

When: February 15th at 6PM

Where: Boone County Farm Bureau Inc.
Community Building
located on the Boone County
Fairgrounds

Why: To meet other new 4-H families
and learn about Boone County 4-H. This
is a great opportunity to get all your 4-H
questions answered! We encourage all
new families to attend!

[Check out our new family resource
guide!](#)



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Attention ALL 4-H Project Leaders,

The Mini 4-H Leaders are looking to highlight different 4-H projects at Mini meetings again this year, but they would like your expertise this year. If you would be interested in doing a 15 minute hands on activity with Mini 4-H members that highlights your project please contact the Mini 4-H Leaders, Mindy and Pandora. There are normally about 40 Mini Members at a meeting and you will teach the activity 3 times in a row. Animal projects that are not already assisting with Mini 4-H are welcome to participate. Older 4-H members in the project are welcome to join you and help you lead the activity. The Mini 4-H meetings for 2024 are: Thursday, March 21, Monday, April 15, Monday, May 13 and Wednesday, June 19. All meetings are from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. in the Farm Bureau Inc Community Building Auditorium.

Pandora Taylor

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Mindy Murdock

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The poster features a festive banner at the top with the text "Boone Co." in a yellow, bubbly font. Below the banner, "MINI 4-H" is written in large, bold, green letters, with "2024" underneath in the same style. To the right of the text is a green four-leaf clover with the letters "H", "H", "H", and "H" on each leaf. Two photographs are shown: one of a woman and a child with a dog, and another of a child with a toy car. The poster includes several phrases in red, slanted text: "Introduction to the 4-H Program", "Non-competitive", "Hands-On Learning", "Make New Friends", and "FREE!". At the bottom, it lists meeting dates and times, and provides contact information for the Mini 4-H Leaders.

Boone Co.

MINI 4-H

2024

Introduction to the 4-H Program

Non-competitive

Hands-On Learning

Make New Friends

FREE!

Mark Your Calendars Now For Non-Animal Mini 4-H Meetings:

Thursday, March 21
Monday, April 15 (new date)
Monday, May 13
Wednesday, June 19

All meetings are from 6:30 -7:30 p.m.
At the Farm Bureau Inc Community Building Auditorium on the 4-H Fairgrounds

Animal Project Meetings will be set soon and members will be emailed those dates.
Mini 4-H members are welcome to attend any and all meetings no matter what projects they are signed up for.

Mini 4-H Leaders

Mindy Murdock 330-807-4350 MMurdock@zionsville-in.gov	Pandora Taylor 765-617-8344 pandora@purdue.edu	Sarah Carl 765-894-5854 sarahcarl.dvm@gmail.com
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Updated 1/2/24

POSTER MAKING WORKSHOP



Join Sharon Walker as she teaches you everything there is to know about poster making for 4-H. You will get to learn about what details a judge looks for and learn new creative poster making skills.

The first workshop is March 21st at 7PM in the Boone County Farm Bureau building in the dining room.

Contact Sharon Walker with any questions
@ 317-513-0806

ATTENTION 7TH-12TH GRADERS!

If you are interested in attending any 4-H summer trips, you must fill out this interest form in order to be considered for funding through the 4-H Booster program.

Deadline February 20th

[Click here to fill out the form.](#)

Opportunities available are:

4-H Academy

State Jr Leader Conference

State 4-H Band

State 4-H Chorus

4-H Round Up

The Awards Committee will select winners and the Purdue Extension Office will email youth who are selected for the trips.



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State 4-H Poultry Workshop

Saturday, February 17th, 2024

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Community Building

Bartholomew County 4-H Fairgrounds, Columbus, Indiana

Location: 750 S 200 West Columbus, IN
On Hwy 11 South, about 3 miles from Exit #68, I-65
Go to www.bartholomewcountyfair.com for directions.



Food and Drinks available for purchase throughout the workshop
Exhibition type birds and standard-bred chicks will be available for purchase.



Check-in begins at 9:30, please use the link below to register. For questions or more information contact: Matt John – 812.603.7722 or mjohn2@ivytech.edu



Workshop Topics

Exhibiting Poultry from a Judges Perspective

* Hands on experience for 4-H members – **Do not bring your own poultry**

Nutrition and Feeding for Exhibition Poultry

Protecting Your Poultry

Parent/Leader/Superintendent Round table discussion

Use the link below to register by Feb. 16th. Registration is required and will help our club plan for food.

https://2024state4-hpoultryworkshop.4honline.com/#/public/ins_o/evt_1gw

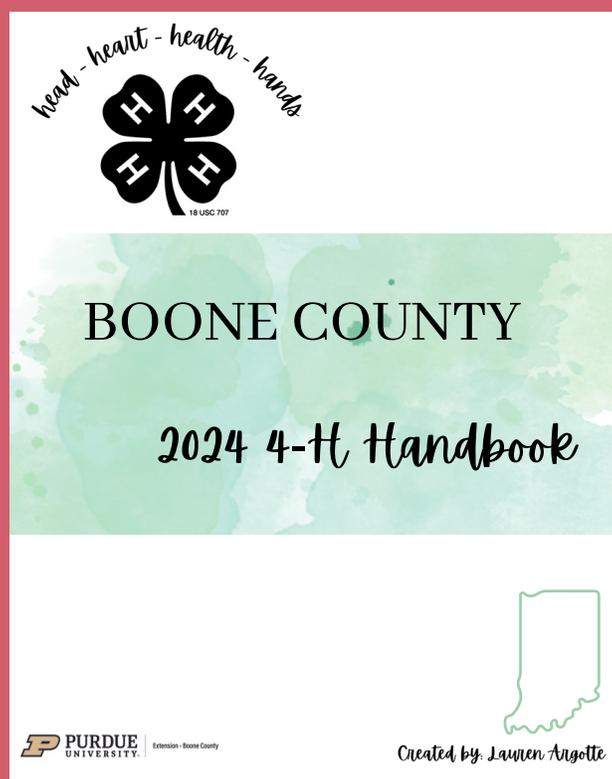
NEW!



Check out our
new 4-H
calendar!

2024 Handbook!

Check out our
2024 Boone
County 4-H
Handbook!





Scholarship Opportunity!



STAR Financial Bank is excited to announce we are once again investing in the “future of agriculture” through five \$1,000 college scholarships.

To be eligible, students must currently be a junior or senior in high school or have at least one year remaining in their college/trade school in Fall of 2024. Eligible high school students would need to be entering a trade or collegiate program within two years of earning the scholarship.

To participate, visit our web page for the contest [HERE](#), fill out the form with your contact information and answer the following question:

Please tell us how you have, or plan to, impact agriculture as it pertains to the past, current or future generations of farmers.



Here are some specifics for the contest:



The deadline for entry into the contest is April 22, 2024.

Essays should be 250 words or less.

The contest will be limited to those who reside or attend school in one of the following Indiana counties: Allen, Boone, DeKalb, Delaware, Grant, Hamilton, Hancock, Henry, Howard, Madison, Marion, Noble, Steuben, Tipton, Whitley or Wells.

If you have any questions, reach out to Brad Saleik, STAR Bank Community Relations Manager by emailing brad.saleik@starfinancial.com.



4-H Chicken & Pork Chop BARBECUE

Saturday, April 13, 2024
4:00PM - 7:30PM

Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
1300 E. 100 S. Lebanon

Scan QR Code Below
to Purchase Tickets

<https://www.boonecounty4h.org/tickets>

Please bring tickets
or pay night of the event.

\$15.00 per meal



MENU:

Pork Chop or 1/2 Chicken
Bag of Chips, Baked Beans
BBQ Sauce, Apple Sauce,
Tea, Water, Lemonade, Coffee
Desserts provided by Homemakers

Proceeds benefit 4-H
Fairgrounds improvements



Meat choice is 1st come 1st served



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SILENT AUCTION BASKETS

Proceeds Will Benefit 4-H
Clubs

#BoilerBroadband

What do @PurdueExtension, 4-Hers, alumni, and students have in common?

They all are part of the Purdue Broadband Team tackling the #digitaldivide. Learn more:

<https://www.purdue.edu/engagement/PBTLaunch> #BoilerBroadband

Help Boone County! get better internet! Take your speed test between now and February 29th!

click here!



Do you have lightning-fast internet? Take a #speedtest to brag. Is your internet too slow? Take a #speedtest to let the state know. Visit: <https://connectingindiana.com/> #BoilerBroadband



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FORCES Of Nature



\$35

January

Join us as we kick-off our Forces of Nature SPARK Club! We will be taking a deeper dive into the Wildlife and Soil & Water Conservation 4-H Projects. Come to the Goose Pond FWA property to learn about and see a restored wetland, migratory birds, and the flora/fauna of this unique Hoosier property!

January 17th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

January 20th - Goose Pond Fish & Wildlife Area 10am-3pm

February

Join us at IU's Geology Learning Lab! One part each museum, lab, and classroom, you can compare thousands of rocks, minerals, and fossils, create art, and participate in interactive activities. 450 million years of Hoosier history will be at our fingertips as we explore Geology, Weather & Climate Science, and more!

February 21st - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

February 24th - Indiana University Geology Lab 10am-3pm

March

Join us as we learn more about Forestry and Weather & Climate Science! We will use tools to help with tree identification, learn about producing maple syrup, the role of slopes in microclimates and even learn about sandstone geology at Turkey Run State Park. We will also discuss career opportunities in both of these fields of study.

March 13th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

March 16th - Turkey Run State Park 10am-3pm

April

Exploration of benthic macroinvertebrates like what is the significance of a left or right handed snail for water quality? Local limestone geology and soil formation

will be discussed. From the Indiana 4-H soil and water science project curriculum, we will conduct the clod comparison activity and learn about soil health.

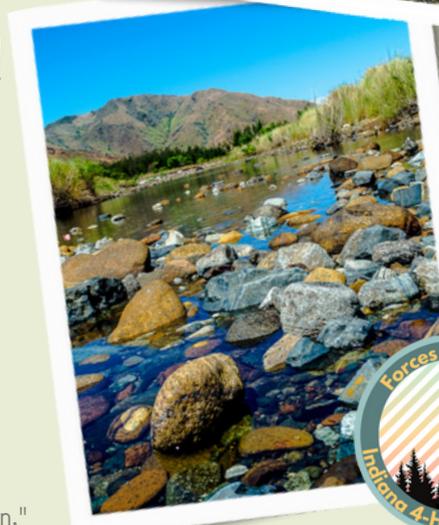
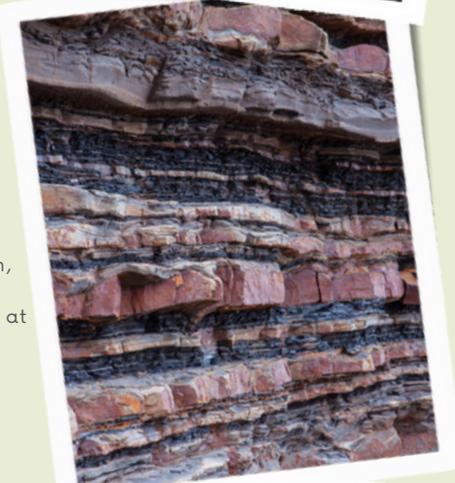
April 3rd - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

April 6th - DePauw Nature Park 10am-3pm

Lots of Ways to Participate!!

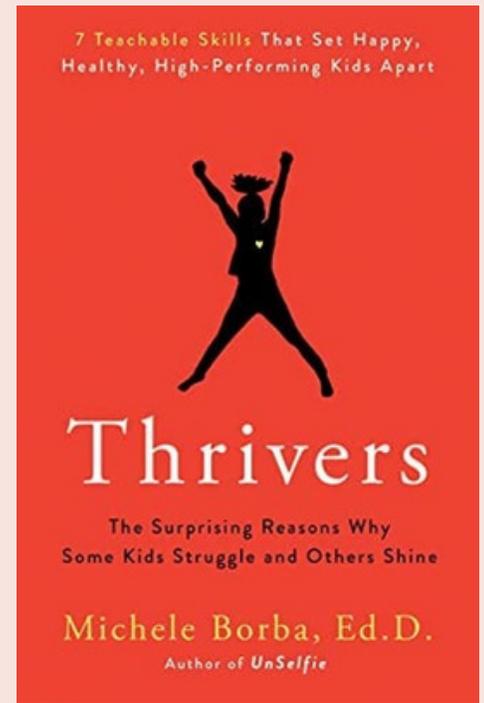
- 1 Go all in! Attend all 4 virtual sessions and all 4 in-person sessions
- 2 Attend whatever sessions that fit into your schedule!
- 3 Busy, but still crave the knowledge? All virtual sessions will be recorded & you can watch them at your leisure

REGISTER NOW
FORCESOFNATURE.4HONLINE.COM



THRIVERS LUNCH & LEARN

This is for volunteers & anyone else who wants to join!



Join us for a lunch time virtual book club as we explore the book "Thrivers" by Michele Borba

Wednesdays - February 7, 14, 21, 28
11:00 am - 12:00 pm CT / 12:00 - 1:00 pm ET
Sessions will be held on Zoom

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Thrivers2024>
by February 7

Questions?

Contact Carla Kidwell at kidwellc@purdue.edu or Megan Hoffherr at mkron@purdue.edu

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NEW EVENT ALERT!

Heritage Skills Classes

Get ready to learn some skills that were once basics in every home. The Boone County Extension Homemakers are proud to present a day of hands-on classes on skills of the past. You will get to take home what you make in each of the 3 sessions you participate in. Program is open to anyone. Refreshments will be available.

Choose three of the following sessions at time of registration.

- Quilting
- Yeast bread
- Greeting Cards
- Pie Shell
- Making Your Own Laundry Soap & Cleansers

Held in the Boone County Farm Bureau Inc. Community Building
at the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
1300 East 100 South, Lebanon

When: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Cost: \$10 at the door

Limited spots available for each class. Get your reservation in quickly. Deadline to register is March 8th.

To Register:

Email: booneces@purdue.edu

or

Call the Purdue Extension office
at 765-482-0750

You will need to provide name and 3 classes you want to take at time of registration.



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