



Extension - Dearborn County

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4-H Connection

Dear 4-H Family,

Congratulations on a wonderful 4-H Fair Week. It was great to see the creativity and talent, leadership and citizenship demonstrated this year by 4-H members, families and volunteers.

For those of you with State Fair non-animal projects, make sure to get all non-animal projects, except foods, food preservation and garden/potato/herbs to the Extension Office no later than 4:30 pm on Tuesday, July 25th. Foods, Food Preservation and Garden/Potato/Herbs need to arrive at the Office no later than 9 am on July 31st Make sure references are on the back of posters and skills sheets are firmly attached to projects. Your exhibit card will be placed on your project by the Extension Office staff. Plan to pick exhibits up after the State Fair concludes beginning August 22 through September 15th.

State Fair runs July 28-August 20. State Fair offers much more than just 4-H exhibits and events, and is worth a family trip to Indianapolis. It is a great time to look at 4-H exhibits from around the State, to get ideas for next year's projects or persuade you to take a new project! If you want free State Fair tickets, please bring non-perishable food items to the Extension Office, and you will receive 1 ticket for every 10 items. You should have received one state fair ticket if you have a project going to state.

Dearborn County 4-H program strives to provide the 4-H experience to all who want to participate, by practicing the 4-H essential element of generosity! If you need accommodations to participate, please contact Liz Beiersdorfer at ebeiers@purdue.edu.



4-H Enrollment-

If you have questions, call the office at 812-926-1189 or email ebeiers@purdue.edu. If you love 4-H invite a friend to join you this year and enroll!



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Questions? Call Extension Office at 812-926-1189 or email Liz ebeiers@purdue.edu

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CLOVER CORNER—ABC HANDPRINTS

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Use the ABC Handprint sheet included with this letter to make handprints of your favorite letter picture. Dollar Tree has lots of craft supplies to help you complete this project: fingerpaint, art paper, canvases, wooden shapes, etc.



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 communities and the world.

Important Upcoming Dates

The Fair Board is looking for additional members, committee members or helpers of any kind to complete the work of planning and executing fair week. If you are able to volunteer please contact the Extension Office.



2024 Fair Dates
June 17-22

2023 State Fair July 28-August 20

- Fall Livestock Specie Meetings will be taking place during August and September. Please reach out to your specie chair for information! Your input makes the program better.
- A combined meeting of the 4-H Board Of Directors and Fair Committee is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 14 beginning at 7 pm, Extension Office to begin planning for the 2024 4-H Fair. If you want to find out how you can help, please plan to attend!
- The new 4-H year begins October 1st. Don't forget to enroll in 4-H online to keep up to date about 4-H activities and events! You don't have to wait until May to enroll. You have until May 15 to add or drop projects.
- October 18, 7 pm is the Fall Livestock Meeting. While only chairs and assistant chairs may vote on motions, all livestock families are invited to attend to share ideas for next year.
- AG Day is September 26-27, 8-2 pm each day. Set up is September 25. If you are interested in helping out as an adult or youth volunteer, please let the Extension office know. If you have questions about how you can help, reach out to Liz.
- National 4-H Week-"Opportunity for All"—October 1-7,
 2023. Leaders and club members need to start thinking about and working on window displays to promote 4-H in Dearborn County.



Things You Need to Know

- If you have questions about your state fair project, please call the office at 812-926-1189.
- Dearborn County Handbook-Check out the Extension office webpage!! https://extension.purdue.edu/dearborn.
 You can find all the information and forms you need in one place under the 4-H link. If you have questions about project guidelines feel free to call the office.
- Now is the time to start thinking about projects for next year! Need project ideas: go to other County Fairs or the State Fair to check out project ideas for next year!
- If you have any questions, please call the office at 812-926-1189!
- National 4-H Week-"Opportunity for All"—October 1-7, 2023. Please help get the 4-H word out by using social media. Please use one of these hashtags with your post/pictures. 4-H is a place to be seen, be your best self. #4-Hweek. In 4-H, we empower youth with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Help us celebrate #4Hweek! We're proud to celebrate 4-H and the power of positive programming #4Hweek. 4-H is a place for ALL kids to belong and succeed #4Hweek. #4Hweek Empowering young people to find their purpose.

Quote of the Month
"Character Counts"—
Resourcefulness
It is a wonder what you can do when you have to-C. S. Lewis

Healthy Living tip: Ease into Healthy Changes Don't expect to change your eating, drinking or activity habits overnight. Take it slow and steady.

Kindness: Pass it On!
Be still and listen to your life

Kroger Card can give back to our 4-H program! Would you consider helping Dearborn County 4-H earn money? All you need to do is link your Kroger rewards card to Dearborn County 4-H. Your information will never be shared with anyone. e your Use your card to benefit 4-H, organization number is JL911.

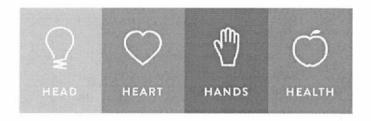
Volunteers are the heart of 4-H!

Know an adult who would be a great volunteer? Share the love and ask me to send them an application.



Want to help

4-H? Consider joining the 4-H Board of Directors. Contact ebeiers@purdue.edu.



WHAT'S COMING UP?

- State Fair-July 28-August 20th.
- 4-H Enrollment for 2024 opens October 1 at v2.4honline.com. Enroll early and stay in the loop!
- November 4th-4-H Achievement Banquet. All 4-H members and their families are invited to attend.
- Email Liz your favorite 4-H Fair or other 4-H picture. I will be displaying a virtual 4-H collogue during the Annual 4-H Banquet, November 4th.



CELEBRATION TIME!

Congratulations on a great 2023 4-H Fair! Well done! Please let your Club Leader(s) and other 4-H Volunteers know how much you appreciate the time they devote to you!



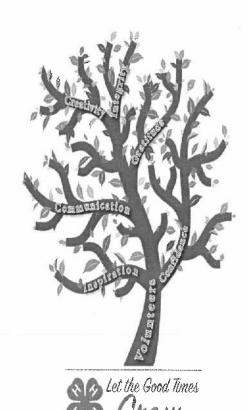
4-H is calling all doers!

ESPECIALLY FOR VOLUNTEERS

- September 18, 2023, 7 pm, Extension Office is the first Volunteer meeting to prepare for the 2024 4-H year and 4-H enrollment. During this meeting, we go over club items, such as policy and procedure, field trip info, secretary books and minute taking, financial responsibilities, honor club etc.. This is a great refresher meeting to get your Club started on the right foot in 2024! All Volunteers are expected to attend so we have a shared message for our 4-H families. A Zoom link will be available.
- National 4-H Week is the first week in October. I ask that you secure a location and work with your Clubs in September to create a 4-H promotional window display. If you need 4-H brochures to leave with

- the display please let me know! The best recruitment is word of mouth. Can you get a few quotes from your 4-H members to post with the display?
- Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet is November 4th. Please mark your calendars.
- If you have not checked out the <u>Clover Call Podcast</u>, made just for 4-H Volunteers, please do so at https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/ podcasts/clover-call-podcast.html

Thank you for all you do throughout the year for 4-H families!!!!



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