

## 4-H Connection



Dear 4-H Family,

It's time to get serious about 4-H projects for the year! While many of you have been working on projects since last fall, there are others that have not even enrolled in 4-H online, much less thought about 4-H project selection for this year. Now is the time to get enrolled so you receive information about upcoming events, receive important State and local 4-H information, receive important date and deadline reminders and more.

March brings a much needed Spring Break. Time to relax, get outdoors, and enjoy yourself. Spring Break is a great time to get serious about planning, organizing and working on 4-H project exhibits. March is also the calm before the 4-H Storm. Don't let March slip by this year without accomplishing something 4-H. April is the beginning of the 4-H Fair push, and starting preparations in March can save you some stress. Deadline to enroll or delete projects is May 15, along with 4-H enrollment and animal registration in 4-H online.

Think about attending 4-H Camp June 4-7th [registration closes May 1]; if you are in middle school, think about attending 4-H Round-Up June 24-26 at Purdue, and if you are in high school consider attending 4-H Academy at Purdue this year to explore an area of interest on Purdue's campus, June 12-14. These Registrations are right around the corner!

Sincerely,  
Liz Beiersdorfer  
4-H Youth Development Educator



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](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).



### 4-H Enrollment

<https://v2.4honline.com>

If you have questions, call the office at 812-926-1189 or email [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).

If you love 4-H invite a friend to join you this year and enroll!

## YOU belong HERE.



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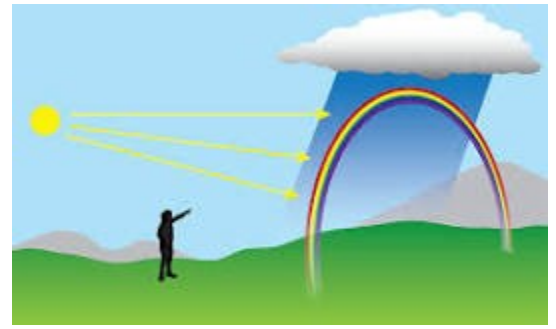
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# CLOVER CORNER-COLOR ME A RAINBOW

Spring is a good time to think about Rainbows as we see sunshine and moist skies. What causes a rainbow? When sunlight hits a raindrop, some of the light is reflected into different wavelengths, each reflected at a different angle. This creates a separation of colors, producing a rainbow.



You can make your own rainbow by placing a small mirror in a clear glass. Fill the glass with water. Shine a flashlight through the glass at the mirror and look for the rainbow on the wall. You may need to darken the room to better see. Draw what you see.

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**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.*

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## 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.



### Fair Dates 2024

June 17-21

Fair Set-Up June 12

Project check-in June  
15, 9-11:30 am

- ◆ **Fair T-shirt Contest deadline:** All 4-H members/clubs are invited to come up with the a T-shirt design using the 2024 Fair theme submitted by Emily Stenger “The 4-H Life.” Please send your T-shirt design to Liz at [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu) no later than **April 5th**.
- ◆ **Sewing group:** March 26, 5-7:00 pm Extension Office. Making baby bibs for Pregnancy Care Center.
- ◆ **Don't forget to select your t-shirt size on 4-H Online by May 15th.** Go to profile, select Events and scroll down to find.
- ◆ Don't forget to enroll in 4-H online to keep up to date about 4-H activities and events! No need to wait until May to enroll. You can add or drop projects until May 15, 2024.
- ◆ **Spring ID:** Sheep, Goats, Swine, [contact Dairy Cattle chair for Dairy Cow tagging information] April 26, 6-8 pm Fairgrounds.
- ◆ Multi-Specie Livestock workshop: April 27, 9-12 and Quality Livestock Care training 12-1. Please contact the Extension office if you plan to attend the workshop and register for QLC training on 4-H online!
- ◆ **May 15 is the deadline for 4-H enrollment, 4-H project drop/add and all livestock must be registered in 4-H online.**



## Things You Need to Know

- ◆ If you are showing livestock at the county fair, (not rabbit), you must have a **premise ID** from the Indiana Board of Animal Health. For information on how to register, or recover a lost premise ID and more, please visit this site: <https://www.in.gov/boah/traceability-and-premise-id/indiana-premises-registration/>
- ◆ Hunter Education Course will be offered on March 22-23 at Agner Hall on Lawrenceburg Fairground. Time requirement: March 22-6-9 pm, March 23 9-4 pm. Not required to participate in Shooting Sports but encouraged for educational knowledge. Register at <https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/207702> [click and paste into browser]
- ◆ All animal project members [except dog, cat & pocket pets] **must** complete the Quality Livestock Care training this year in order to exhibit at the local and state fair. Training dates: April 27, 12-1 pm, Agner Hall; & May 16, 5:30-6:30 pm Extension Office meeting room. YQCA certificates will still be accepted for online completion. Send certificates to Liz at [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu).
- ◆ The Tractor, Lawn and Garden and Zero Turn operator skills contests will no longer require a written test; only parts ID and obstacle course completion.
- ◆ 2024 4-H Handbook is available at <https://extension.purdue.edu/dearborn>. Also a few hardcopies available in the office.
- ◆ 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 **any** questions, please call the office at 812-926-1189!! We are here to help you.

**Quote of the Month**– In the moments when you feel like it’s all too much, remember how far you’ve already come/

**Character Awareness**  
**Justice**–Taking personal responsibility to uphold what is pure, right and true.

**Healthy Living tip:**  
*Avoid processed foods and junk foods. Choose whole grains over refined ones. Limit the intake of sugar and salt. Stay active and exercise regularly*

**Kindness: Pass it On!**  
Show yourself the love you deserve!

**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. 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 volun-  
teer? Share the  
love and ask  
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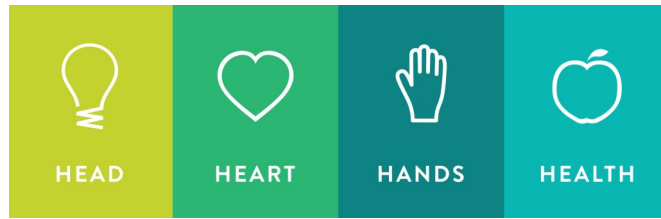


### Want to help

4-H? Consider  
joining the Fair  
Committee.

Contact  
ebeiers@purdue.  
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## WHAT'S COMING UP?



- ◆ 4-H Enrollment at: <https://v2.4honline.com>
- ◆ 4-H Camp registration is open on 4-H online. [Youth profile, events] June 4-7 at Camp Higher Ground outside West Harrison. \$225 cost. Contact Liz at [ebeiers@purdue.edu](mailto:ebeiers@purdue.edu) with questions.
- ◆ Hunters Education class: March 22-23.
- ◆ Sewing group: March 26, 5-7 pm. Extension Office meeting room.
- ◆ Jr. Leader meeting: April 2, 7 pm, Extension Office meeting room.
- ◆ T-shirt design contest entries due April 5th.
- ◆ Animal Spring ID-April 26, 6-8 pm Fairgrounds
- ◆ Multispecies Livestock Workshop April 27, 9-12
- ◆ Purdue Day of Giving: April 24th. Appreciate what Extension does in the community? Want to make an impact on Purdue Extension? Donations of any amount can be made directly to Dearborn County Office. Look for more info in April.

## *CELEBRATION TIME !*

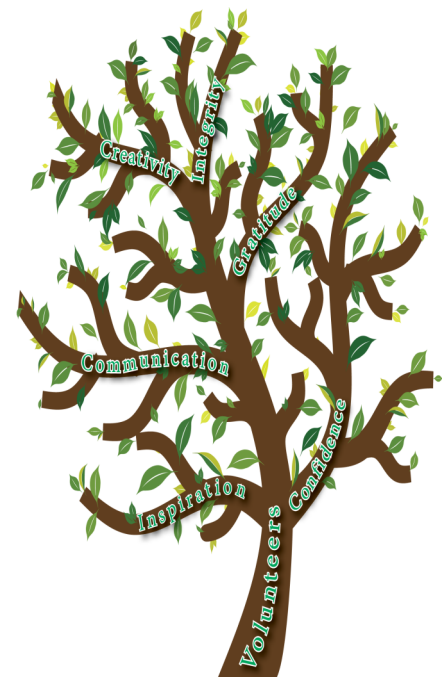
**Congratulations to Kylee Neff on receiving the 2024 Indiana 4-H Foundation Senior Robert E and Maureen K Anderson Scholarship in the amount of \$1000!!!! So proud of you!**



## *4-H is calling all doers!*

### **ESPECIALLY FOR VOLUNTEERS**

- ◆ If you have not checked out the Clover Call Podcast, made just for 4-H Volunteers, please do so at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/podcasts/clover-call-podcast.html>
- ◆ If you have not enrolled in 4-H online, NOW is the time to get it taken care of! Volunteers are not to interact with youth, or make decision on behalf of youth unless they are approved volunteers in 4-H online. It's for the safety of the youth we serve!
- ◆ Help your 4-H Club members create a T-shirt design submission; due to Liz at [ebei@purdue.edu](mailto:ebei@purdue.edu) by April 5th.
- ◆ April Volunteer Development: 4/16, Lion's Club 6:30-7 and meeting 7 pm office.



 *Let the Good Times Grow*