

Dear Franklin County 4-H Members, Volunteers, and Families-

It is time to reenroll in the Franklin County 4-H Program! This process can be completed between October 1 and January 15 and must be repeated each year, for both members and volunteers. Please review the information below as well as the attached documents. There are a few changes this year that everyone needs to be aware of!

Volunteer Enrollment

Enrollment is required each year via 4-H Online (v2.4honline.com), and volunteers are not permitted to work with youth or make decisions on behalf of 4-H until enrollment is approved.

When you login to 4-H Online to begin enrollment, it will look a bit different this year. You will need to select ALL of your roles with Franklin County 4-H. Please review the attached document for more information about the different roles. Once you choose your roles, you will e-sign applicable role descriptions. I will be reviewing your role descriptions and will send your enrollment back if you don't select all of your roles.

There will also be a few additional screening questions and training videos that you will complete. These will differ depending on volunteer role and/or volunteer tenure. Please just click through the screens as usual and the system will take you to everything that you need to complete.

4-H Member Enrollment

You will find directions for 4-H Online enrollment in the appendix of the Handbook. For regular 4-H members, enrollment costs \$25. For Mini 4-H members (grades K-2), enrollment is free. Payment can be made online via credit card or in person via check (made payable to Purdue Extension CES) or cash. Enrollment will not be approved until payment is collected.

4-H Event Sign Up

4-H programs and events (excluding regular club meetings and open house style events) will require 4-H members to sign up in 4-H Online under the events tab. This will be extremely important this year to ensure that we are in compliance with youth protection requirements. As always, you are welcome to come into the office to receive help with signing up for events.

Franklin County 4-H Handbook

Please refer to the 2023-24 Handbook for program opportunities and guidelines. This can be accessed on our website (extension.purdue.edu/county/franklin). These guidelines are subject to change. An updated Handbook will be available early 2025.

Important Dates

Please keep in mind the following dates in regards to 4-H enrollment and exhibit entry:

- 4-H Enrollment: October 1-January 15 via 4-H Online
- Animal Data Entry: October 1-May 15 via 4-H Online
 - If a 4-H member is exhibiting livestock, horse and pony, or dogs, they must enter animal data on 4-H Online by May 15. More instructions regarding animal data entry will be available at a later date.
- Fair Entry: TBD (typically mid-June for two weeks) via Fair Entry
 - This is where 4-H exhibitors will enter their exact exhibits they plan to bring to fair. This includes which classes they will enter their livestock, what Arts and Crafts projects they are exhibiting, etc. More instructions regarding Fair Entry will be available at a later date.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns!

Thank you,

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Special Instructions for Project Enrollment:

- Arts and Crafts includes several exhibits that used to be considered their own project. Refer to the Handbook to understand what exhibits Arts and Crafts includes. You will select your specific exhibits during Fair Entry in June.
- Shooting Sports is divided into three subcategories: Rifle, Archery, Shotgun. Choose *each* subcategory that you plan to exhibit in. **Please do NOT select the plain “Shooting Sports” project.**
- Tractor, Zero-Turn, and Lawn and Garden Safety and Operator Skills are three separate projects. Choose *each* project that you plan to exhibit in.
- If you plan to exhibit Garden, Herbs, and/or Potatoes, please enroll in the Garden project. You will select your specific exhibits during Fair Entry in June.
- If you plan to exhibit Creative Writing and/or Public Speaking, please enroll in the Communications project. You will select your specific exhibits during Fair Entry in June.
- If you plan to exhibit Baked Foods and/or Foods Preservation, please enroll in the Foods project. You will select your specific exhibits during Fair Entry in June.
- Please note that Mini 4-H members may only enter in the projects designated as Mini 4-H projects. Please select each project you plan to exhibit in, and **do NOT select the plain “Mini 4-H” project.** This will help the office staff provide the correct project books to distribute next spring.
- Mini 4-H: Exploring Farm Animals is a static (non-walking) project. If you would like to exhibit in an animal show, please select the Mini 4-H animal species project (i.e., Mini 4-H Sheep). Most Mini 4-H animal shows will take place at the conclusion of the regular 4-H animal show.

Special Instructions for Club Enrollment:

- Youth are encouraged to join multiple clubs if they would like. Refer to the 4-H Club list attached to learn more about each club. Please note that the Brookville Lakers 4-H Club was disbanded this year.
- Just because you enroll in a **Shooting Sports** project (Archery, Rifle, Shotgun) does NOT mean that you are automatically enrolled in the club. Enrolling in the project means that you plan to exhibit it at the fair. Enrolling in the club means that you will be able to join in on scheduled shooting practices. Please ensure that you enroll in BOTH the club and the project.
 - Sharpshooters 4-H Club- Rifle and Archery
 - Trapmasters 4-H Club- Shotgun
- Just because you enroll in the **Horse and Pony** project, does NOT mean that you are automatically enrolled in the Mustangers Club. Please ensure that you enroll in the club as well as the project in order to receive the important information and partake in fun activities provided by the Mustangers 4-H Club.
- Just because you enroll in the **Dog** project, does NOT mean that you are automatically enrolled in the 4-Paws Dog Club. Starting in late spring, the 4-Paws Dog Club will meet at the fairgrounds for dog training. It is encouraged to sign up for both the project and the club.
- **Jr. Leaders**- please enroll in BOTH the project AND the club.

Franklin County 4-H Clubs

4-H Community Clubs

These groups include at least five members from at least three families ranging in grades from 3 to 12. The youth usually live in a geographic area they call their community or neighborhood. The club is led by one or more approved adult volunteer leaders. Youth enroll in subject matter areas of interest (projects), participate in 9-12 meetings during the year, select youth officers, carry out club responsibilities, participate in service to the community, and receive recognition for their work. Club meetings typically are held once a month in a location such as a school, community center, church, or other public meeting space. Project evaluation is often carried out during the county fair or at the end of the 4-H Youth Development Program year. The club often uses its meetings to develop group process skills, leadership ability, and communication skills.

Club Name	Leader	Meetings (subject to change)	Contact
Blooming Grove Tigers	Beth Caudill, Jennifer Caudill, Cindy Rapp	First Monday of the month at the Blooming Grove Firehouse (Feb-Jul)	
Cedar Grove Clovers	Austin Volk, Tori Volk	Second Thursday of the month at 6:00 Cedar Grove Firehouse (Jan-Jun)	Tori Volk: 765-265-7736 Austin Volk: 765-309-6963
East Franklin Flyers	Kim Verkley, Shari Burger, Cindy Hall, Pat Smith	First Monday of the month at 7:00 Mt. Carmel School (Jan-May) (June meeting is TBD)	Kim: 765-265-4360 Shari: 812-637-1640 Cindy: 513-382-1571 Pat: 812-656-8243
Highland Hoosiers	Cheryl Simmermeyer	Third Monday of the month at 7:00 Creekside Church on Highland Center Road (Mar-Jun)	dcsimmermeyer@gmail.com 513-967-8982
Highland Hy-Flyers	Ken Schuster	Third Monday of the month at 7:00 Creekside Church on Highland Center Road (Mar-Jun)	
Laurel Willing Workers	Julie Bowling	2 nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 Laurel Community Center (Mar-Jun)	
Oldenburg Spires	Gail Streit, Joann Koch	First Friday of the month after school at TBA	
Oxford Pike Pioneers	Lisa Goins, Jessica Rosenberger, Aimee Cox	Whitcomb United Methodist Church on Sunday evening once a month (Mar-Jun)	Lisa: (513) 885-5341 Aimee: (765) 265-2560 Jessica: (513) 403-5404
Whitcomb Boosters	Beth Fultz, Kim Gesell	Second Monday of the month at 6:30 Whitcomb United Methodist Church (Jan-Jul)	
Rockdale Ranchers	Rosa Brehm, Alexa Brehm	Fourth Sunday of each month at Rosa's house at 4 pm	brehmrosa@gmail.com 765-647-0363
Superkids	Lucille Honnert, Kathy Bedel, Theresa Boyce, Emily Glardon, Kim Hornberger, Karen Schwab	St. Mary's of the Rock Klee Hall once a month on a Friday at 7:00 pm (Jan-Jul)	

Organized Subject Matter (Project) Clubs

These groups are organized around a specific subject matter (project) area (e.g. robotics, junior leaders, shooting sports, rabbits, dairy goats, tractor, horse and pony, dogs, electricity, etc.). The youth and adult volunteers use club meetings to learn together about the subject around which they have organized. They have lessons, participate in field trips, and teach each other about related concepts. They often prepare an exhibit for a county fair. They develop leadership skills (club officers) and group process skills by working together and completing projects that are meaningful to each other or their community.

Club Name	Leader	Meetings (subject to change)	Contact
Sharp Shooters Club (Rifle)	Donald Allstatter, Jay Taylor, Josh Summey, Justin Leising	TBD	
Sharp Shooters Club (Archery)	Donald Allstatter, Jay Taylor	TBD	
Trapmasters (Shotgun)	Kevin DeFossett, Carrie DeFossett, Bill Browning, Logan Davidson, Justin Butler, Ryan Young, John Browning, Tori Browning	Wednesday each week at 6:30 Franklin County Conservation Club (Apr-Sep)	Kevin DeFossett - 513-305-2690
Udder Cream Gang (Goat Club)	Sara Stern	TBD	Sara Stern - sstern212@gmail.com, 765-698-6986
Horse & Pony Mustangers	Jenny Wilz, Tammey Robben, Katie Schuman, Karen Niedenthal, Regan Abernathy, Diana Getz, Kim Arnold, Amelia Losekamp	Second Monday of the month at 7:00 Third Place in Brookville (Jan-Apr) and in person clinics at fairgrounds (May-July)	
4-Paws Dog Club	Karen Kahles, Betsey Kahles, Brittany Anderson, Chelsey Anderson	Monday and Thursday each week at 6:00 fairgrounds (Mar-Jul)	
Junior Leaders Club	Tori Volk, Emily Glardon, Katie Schneider, Rhonda Kerr	TBD	Tori Volk: 765-265-7736

Mini 4-H Clubs

Mini 4-H members are encouraged to sign up for a Mini 4-H Club when they enroll in **4-H Online**. During club meetings they will learn more about 4-H, will make new friends and will meet 4-H volunteers. Club leaders will contact the members after enrollment ends to provide more information about future meetings.

Club Name	Leader	Meetings (subject to change)	Contact
Highland Mini	TBD	TBD	
Mt. Carmel Mini	Monica Burger	Mt Carmel School on the first Tuesday of the month (Feb-May; June meeting TBD)	Monica Burger 812-221-5899
Whitcomb Mini	Melissa Schwab, Sara Weaver, Pam Maze	Second Saturday of the month from 9:00-10:15 at Whitcomb United Methodist Church (Feb-Jun) (July meeting TBD)	Melissa 513-317-7302
Oxford Pike Pioneers Mini	Brittany Singer, Amanda Singer, Amy Eckerle	Whitcomb United Methodist Church on Sunday evening once a month (Mar-June)	Amy: (513) 313-6841 Amanda: alaker22688@hotmail.com Brittany: brittanyro13@gmail.com
Blooming Grove Tigers	Beth Caudill, Jennifer Caudill, Cindy Rapp	First Monday of the month at the Blooming Grove Firehouse (Feb-Jul)	
Cedar Grove Cloverbuds	Austin Volk, Tori Volk	Second Thursday of the month at 6:00 Cedar Grove Firehouse (Jan-Jun)	
Laurel Willing Workers	Julie Bowling	2 nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 Laurel Community Center (Mar-Jun)	
Oldenburg Spires	Gail Streit, Joann Koch	First Friday of the month after school at TBA	
Rockdale Ranchers	Rosa Brehm, Alexa Brehm	Fourth Sunday of each month at Rosa's house at 4:00 pm	brehmrosa@gmail.com 765-647-0363
Superkids	Lucille Honnert, Kathy Bedel, Theresa Boyce, Emily Glardon, Kim Hornberger, Karen Schwab	Second of third Friday of the month at 7:00 St. Mary's of the Rock Klee Hall (Jan-Jul)	

2024-25 Franklin County 4-H Fair Project List

Please use this guide when you are enrolling in 4-H.

County Project: 4-H Achievement

Aerospace

Arts and Crafts (this includes Basketry, Gift Wrapping, Pottery, Recycling, Scrapbooking, Beading, Ceramics, Contemporary Ceramics, Holiday Décor, Latch Hook, String Art, Miscellaneous.)

ATV Safety

Beef

Beekeeping

Cake Decorating

Child Development

County Project: Collections

Computers

Construction and Architectural Replica (this includes all Lego projects)

Consumer Clothing

Dairy

Dairy Beef

Dairy Goats

Dog

Electric

Communications (this includes Creative Writing and Public Speaking)

County Project: Crops (this includes corn, soybeans, hay, tobacco, wheat)

Electric

Entomology

Fashion Revue

Fine Arts

Floriculture

Foods (this includes baked and preservation)

Forestry

Garden (this includes garden, herbs, potatoes)

Genealogy

Geology

Health

County Project: History

Home Environment

County Project: International Studies

Horse and Pony

Junior Leaders (grades 7-12 only)

Lawn and Garden Tractor Safety and Operator Skills

Meat Goats

Model Craft

Mini 4-H Bicycle

Mini 4-H Collections

Mini 4-H Crafts

Mini 4-H Dairy Goats

Mini 4-H Dinosaurs

Mini 4-H Dog Obedience

Mini 4-H Exploring Farm Animals

Mini 4-H Foods

Mini 4-H Forestry

Mini 4-H Gardening

Mini 4-H Horse and Pony

Mini 4-H Meat Goats

Mini 4-H Models

Mini 4-H Pets

Mini 4-H Plants & Flowers

Mini 4-H Poultry

Mini 4-H Rabbit

Mini 4-H Reading

Mini 4-H Sewing

Mini 4-H Sheep

Mini 4-H Swine

Mini 4-H Sun, Stars & Space

Mini 4-H Whales & Dolphins

Mini 4-H Wildlife Adventure

Mini 4-H Woodworking

Needle Craft

County Project: Pets

Photography

Poultry

Pygmy Goats

Rabbits

Sewing

Sheep

Shooting Sports: Archery

Shooting Sports: Rifle

Shooting Sports: Shotgun

Small Engines

Soil and Water Science

Sportfishing

Swine

County Project: Sports

County Project: Talent

Tractor Safety and Operator Skills

Veterinary Science

Weather and Climate Science

Wildlife

Woodworking

Zero-Turn Mower Safety and Operator Skills