



Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection

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IT'S FAIR TIME!

Welcome by Ashley Alexander - 4-H Educator

It is finally that time of the year that we all look forward to...Fair Time!

I hope that you have had a great summer so far and that you are ready to showcase all of your hard work for the year! We know that you all work so hard to complete your projects, and we commend your hard work!

Just a couple of reminders:

- Please make sure that you read this newsletter and the mailing that we sent to your home address.
- Please keep a close eye on your animals throughout the fair, especially if it is hot.

I encourage you all to make a new friend and network with your peers at the fair! You are all there for the same reason, and I hope that you can have a great experience, just like I did when I was a 4-H member here.

Lastly, I wish you all the best. I hope that you have a great week and that you get the most out of your time at the fair!



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Extension Office Info

The Extension Office will be
OPEN LATE until 7:00 PM on
July 1st to provide FairEntry assistance
to anyone who needs it.
We will be CLOSED July 4th in
observance of Independence Day.

Contact Us

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Open 8 AM — 4 PM
Monday—Friday
<https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS>
<https://v2.4honline.com>



2025 JR. LEADER COMPLETION TRIP

JULY 24TH

- We will be leaving the fairgrounds in the early afternoon to head to the Indianapolis Zoo and then head to an evening at Victory Field for an Indiana Baseball Game!
- You must bring your own money for supper & any souvenirs or extras you may want to buy.
- If you completed at least 3 café shifts and 3 fair volunteer activities, cost per person is **\$20**.
- If you have not completed all of your activities, cost per person is **\$50**.
- The travel schedule will be sent out closer to time.

Registration:

You must register in
4-H Online by
Wednesday, July 16th

Payment:

Payment must be
received by
July 22nd



4-H OPPORTUNITIES

STEM at the Fair

Join the FUN and FREE educational experience of **STEM at the Fair** on Sunday, July 13th from 3-5 PM in the classrooms of the 4-H Fairgrounds Complex Center. This event is open to all ages and has something for everyone. Stop by to explore hands-on STEM activities! See flyer below for more information.

JULY 13TH, 3PM - 5PM

COME HAVE SOME FUN!

STEM DAY AT THE FAIR

Location: Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds

- Classrooms B & C
- Ages: 4 to 18 years old
- No 4-H Membership Required
- Stations will have challenges for all abilities!

Many activities including:
Snap Circuit Kits, Legos, Keva Planks,
Straw Structures, Ozobots, Hex Bugs, etc.
All subject to change

FREE
PROGRAM



4-H'ER ROUND UP

4-H'er Round Up is Friday, July 18th and is open to **ALL 4-H Participants (Mini 4-H, too!)**. It will be held at **12:00 PM** outside the Fleece Performance Grandstands. This FUN day may include dirt, water, foam and more! Come ready to get messy and have fun with other 4-H Participants. It's a great way to celebrate your hard work!

Rocket Launch at the Fair

The 4-H Rocket Launch will be happening on Saturday, July 12th at 4:00 PM and is located at the back 40 lot (North-most grass field of the Fairgrounds).



GENERAL VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS

It takes MANY hands to create a successful 4-H Fair. We need YOUR HELP!

Volunteer Sign-ups are available for approved adult volunteers who would like to help during the Hendricks County 4-H Fair! To signup, visit:

<https://www.4hcomplex.org/p/2025fair/fair-volunteer>

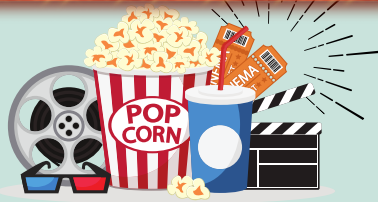
There are options to help with project watching, helping at the 4-H information booth, trash pickup, and other event help (ex. motocross, cheerleading contest, etc.)

4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Mini 4-H

HENDRICKS COUNTY MINI 4-H PRESENTS

MINI 4-H DAY AT THE "MOVIES"



SUNDAY | **1-3 PM**
JULY 13

**HENDRICKS COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS
OUTSIDE THE CARTLIDGE BARN**

Mini 4-Hers will walk the "Red Carpet" around the fairgrounds while getting to visit and learn more about some of our favorite spots at the fair – including checking out their projects on display! Following the tour, we will have popsicles and a foam party outside for all Mini 4-Hers.

Register on 4HOnline by July 11th
<https://HCMiniDay2025.4honline.com>

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Flower Bucks

If you sold over \$100 worth of flowers during the spring flower sales, you have earned flower bucks. For every \$100 that was sold, you will receive \$5 in flower bucks. Flower bucks are now available for pick-up in the Extension Office. These coupons are redeemable at the Keystone Cooperative 4-H Café 7/13 thru 7/19.

Adult Leader Info

Each Adult Leader (Club or Project) will receive \$10 Leader Bucks. These can be picked up in the Extension Office starting July 7th and can be used at the Keystone Cooperative 4-H Café. The Adult Leader Executive Council would like to invite all Adult Leaders to join them in the Board Room on Tuesday, July 15th for a Leader Luncheon. Bring your lunch, and we will provide water and dessert!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO
**2025 Top Flower
Sales Members**

Preston Thomas

Sylvia Livengood

Harral Family

Jack Farr



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4-H Opportunities

Electric Workshop



Will be held on July 2nd
at **Electric Plus**
173 S County Road 525 E
Avon, IN 46123

Time: 3:30–6:30 PM

Electric Kits can be purchased at the
Extension Office during normal
office hours: M–F 8 AM – 4 PM
July 1st open late until 7 PM

**GOOD LUCK
AT THE
FAIR!**

IMPORTANT FAIR NEWS!



Barn Crew Help Needed!! We are in need of barn crew members to assist in the preparation, set up, tear down, and logistics of before, during, and after Fair. Contact Chris Feuquay if interested at 317-829-4335. Should be at least 18 years old to apply.

FAIR SCHEDULE is now available! See attached schedule or visit our Extension website to see the full schedule at:
<https://extension.purdue.edu/news/county/hendricks/2025/05/hendricks-county-4-h-fair.html>.

Youth Talent Competition - Pre-Register for the talent competition. Winners are eligible for the Indiana State Fair Youth Talent Competition. Information and registration available at: <https://www.4hcomplex.org/p/2025fair/special-events2/youth-talent-show>

Hendricks County "Got Talent" Contest will be July 16th at 7 PM. Winners will receive CASH PRIZES! For more information and to register, visit:
<https://www.4hcomplex.org/p/2025fair/special-events2/hendricks-county-fair-got-talent>.

Fair Yard Signs are available for pick-up in the Extension Office.

Volunteer Sign-up <https://www.4hcomplex.org/p/2025fair/fair-volunteer>

Disability Inclusion Day

Sponsored by: Duke Energy, Sycamore Services
and Hendricks County Youth Council



2025 Disability Inclusion Day at the 4-H Fair

The Hendricks County 4-H Fair and 4-H Program strive to be inclusive environments for everyone in our community. As part of these efforts, we are excited to share our Disability Inclusion Day. This event will allow individuals of any age with any type of disability to visit and enjoy the fair along with their families!

Wednesday, July 16

10 AM to 4 PM

Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds

What is Offered:

- FREE Admission and Parking
- Wheelchair Accessible Shuttles
- Sensory Friendly Activities
- FREE Carnival Rides (Select rides)
- FREE Resources
- Quiet/Sensory Areas

For More Information:

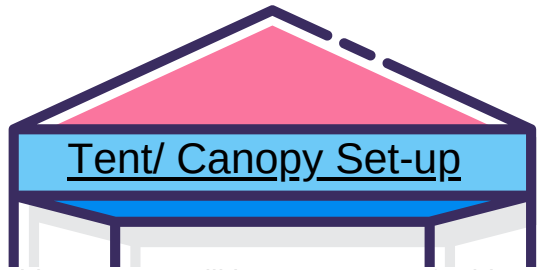
- hendrces@purdue.edu
317-745-9260
- 1900 E Main St, Danville, IN

- Sign up to volunteer as a 4-H family use this link:
<https://hendricksco4h.com/DisabilityIncl2025>

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

Re-Tagging Protocol

We know that animals have tags that get ripped out. If this happens with a county tag or an RFID tag, please contact the Extension Office ASAP. The re-tag must be witnessed by a 4-H Youth Council member or representative in order to allow us to accurately update 4-HOnline.



Tent/ Canopy Set-up

Again this year, we will have a system for identifying tent/canopies during Fair. You must have a specified tag on your tent at all times.

- You can sign your form and pick up your tent tag at the NSSB Fair Office starting Saturday, July 12th at 12 noon.
- Tags will be \$5 per tent (up to 12'X12').
- Non-Dog Tents cannot be set up until 12 pm on Saturday, July 12th.
- Covers must be removed from tents at night and when the "Responsible Person" is not on the fairgrounds. The responsible person is designated when you get your tent tag. Tents must be visible throughout and **cannot have enclosed sides**.

Please be courteous to all 4-H participants when placing your tent. The Livestock Director may establish areas for 10-year members. Tents, no larger than 12' x 12', are limited to one per family on the 4-H Fairgrounds.

Tents are to be located 10' away from building, do not block doors, do not place on sidewalks or in restricted areas. Due to livestock shows and safety concerns, tents will not be placed between the HC Horseman's Club Sheep/Goat Pavilion and the NSSB Arena or between the Neier Swine Pavilion and the NSSB Arena. Tents will be permitted to be moved to those areas on that species' show day at the discretion of the Livestock Director.

The "Responsible Person" **and** any family is liable for damage caused by this tent. Tent will be moved or taken down at the direction of the Fair Board President or designee if/when needed.

LIVESTOCK CHECK-OUT

Fair Check-Out for all species:

Check-out for livestock will take place after Supreme Showman on Saturday, July 19th. There are penalties for early departure for animals:

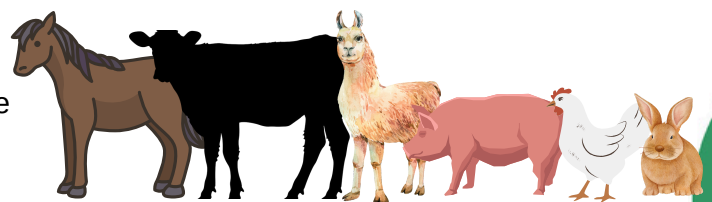
- 4-H member will not be eligible to exhibit that species the balance of the current year and the subsequent year.
- 4-H member will not be eligible to sell any species in the auction.

Only Exception for early release:

- During designated State Fair animal release day and time with proof of State Fair entry for each animal, and you must keep at least 1 animal for each species on the Fairgrounds until regular check-out time.
- With an Early Animal Release Form that has been signed by the Barn Superintendent AND 4-H Youth Development Educator, Ashley Alexander. These forms can be obtained from Barn Superintendents or the NSSB Fair Office.

Battle of the Barns is Back!

Grab some friends to complete the list of tasks to win points for your barn! The winning barn will earn bragging rights, claim the Battle of the Barn trophy, and a pizza party on Saturday afternoon!



ADDITIONAL FAIR TICKET INFO & LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

WHAT ABOUT TICKETS & PARKING PASSES?

What will tickets be like this year?

Tickets will be digital again this year. This means they will be e-mailed to the exhibitor address you have in FairEntry. They will not be e-mailed out before July 10, 2025. They will come from the e-mail address: support@fairs.com. If, after July 11th, you don't see them in your e-mail, please check your SPAM folder to see if they were routed there by mistake. Fair tickets will be good for 1 entry (or scan) per day. Additional Fair tickets can be purchased on-line at: 4hcomplex.org/p/tickets

Who gets a Fair ticket?

4-H Members: Each 4-H participant, including Mini 4-H participants, who are over the age of 9 years-old that have at least one entry for the fair in the FairEntry system, will get a ticket for each day that the Fair is operating. Additionally, each Participating 4-H "Family" will get 2 additional tickets for parents/guardians for each day that the Fair is operating.

Children under the age of 9 years-old (including those in Mini 4-H) are not required to present a ticket to get into the fair.



What about Parking Passes?

There will be no parking passes this year EXCEPT for those that are showing livestock. Livestock members may pick up a Livestock Parking Pass at the Extension Office after July 7th. This pass will allow parking ONLY in the area designated Livestock Parking. NO LIVESTOCK TRAILERS are allowed on the fairgrounds during fair (with the exception of check-in and check-out). The Livestock Parking Pass will NOT allow entrance to the Fair. Your Fair Ticket allows access to the Fair. Each family may purchase ONE additional Livestock Parking Pass for \$20 at the Extension Office.

IQLC or YQCA

*Applies only to 3rd-12th grade 4-H Members showing beef cattle, dairy cattle, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine. (not required for Mini 4-H) Either Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care (IQLC) or Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training **MUST be completed before bringing your animals to the fair.** There are two options listed below on how to have your completion certificate ready at the time of livestock check-in:

- **Print out the certificate and bring it with you to the fair OR**
- **Take a picture on your phone and have this ready to present at the fair**

4-H FAIR LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

Saturday, July 19th at 9 AM

Returning for 2025! We will be holding a Livestock Skillathon for youth to test their livestock judging skills and knowledge. Open to any 4-H and/or FFA youth in grades 3-12! You do not have to be currently enrolled in a livestock project to participate!



ARE YOU READY FOR FAIR?

RECORD SHEETS

This year, record sheets and completion cards are NOT REQUIRED! You do NOT have to take any books or record sheets to be signed by a 4-H Leader in order to exhibit at the 2025 Hendricks County 4-H Fair! However, if you choose NOT to exhibit this year and you would like to complete the 4-H project you are enrolled in, you MUST complete a General Record Sheet and upload it to FairEntry. Once you have done that, you must also complete the White Record of Achievement card (see explanation below). If you have questions about these new policies, please contact the Extension Office.

ACHIEVEMENT CARDS (Also called "White Cards")

The MY RECORD OF 4-H ACHIEVEMENT is the official record of your participation in projects and 4-H activities within the 4-H Program. Each year you will complete this sheet with information about projects/activities you have completed for the current year. It is important that you fill this out because the information that you add helps you qualify for scholarships and awards throughout your 4-H career! This year you must turn this into your 4-H Club Leader OR the Extension Office by Wednesday, July 17th. Club leaders should turn in ALL ACHIEVEMENT CARDS to the Extension Office by Thursday, July 17th at 12:00 noon. It is a good idea to keep a copy of this card for your records! Mini 4-H members do not need to do this.

NEW this year- you can fill out your Record of Achievement digitally!

<https://hendricksco4h.com/recordofachievement>

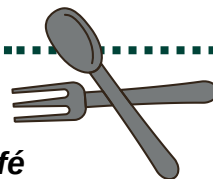
COMPLETION CARDS

Completion Cards are NOT required this year! You will only need to have completed FairEntry and have your project tag to exhibit your project. Project tags can be picked up at the check-in station on the day of judging.

CREATIVE WRITING

- Those exhibitors wishing to participate in this portion of Communications are asked to sign up in FairEntry by Tuesday, July 1st. This can be entered as a Word Document or PDF File. This allows us to print your documents to give to the judge to mark up and evaluate. If you need to email your project, please email to hendrces@purdue.edu.
- The feedback portion of Creative Writing will be on Saturday, July 12th, beginning at 9 AM. Please bring a clean copy of your writing project in a binder with you to the feedback portion of judging to be displayed during the fair.

WHAT'S COOKING CAFE



Returning to the Fair – *What's Cooking Café*

The Conference Rooms will be the location of the *What's Cooking Café*! Many of us look forward to all that glorious fair food, but after a few days, we crave something a little lighter or more "home-cooked". What's Cooking Café also provides a cool place to sit and enjoy your meal on those hot days. What's Cooking Café will offer lunch and dinner daily, with daily dinner specials.

Lunch will begin at 11 AM and dinner specials will begin at 4:30 PM

HOME AND FAMILY ARTS DAY

JUNIOR BAKERS PECAN CONTEST



REGISTRATION DUE BY

JULY 2, 2024

SEE DETAILS IN

HENDRICKS CO.

HOME & FAMILY ARTS

OPEN CLASS BOOK

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2025

AT THE

HENDRICKS COUNTY 4-H

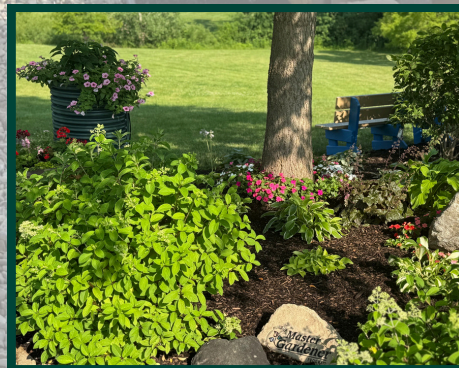
FAIR

OPEN TO YOUTH

AGES 9-12

Look What's Growing

**THE HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
HAVE BEEN GROWING SOME BEAUTIFUL
FLOWERS, VEGGIES, FRUITS, AND MORE!
BE SURE TO GO VISIT THE
DEMO GARDENS DURING FAIR!**



July 1 – Archery Workshop @ 6:00pm
July 1 – Sheep Club Meeting @ 6:30pm
July 1 – Photography Workshop @ 7:00pm
July 1 – Poultry Workshop @ 7:00pm
July 5 – RPM Workshop @ 9:00am
July 6 – Poultry Workshop @ noon
July 7 – Bridle Bunch meeting
July 7 – Dog Club 2A, 2B & up returning member training/drill team
(new member volunteer night – no dogs) @ 6:00pm
July 7 – Photography Workshop @ 7:00pm
July 8 – Archery Workshop @ 6:00pm
July 8 – Rabbit Mini 4-H workshop @ 6:00pm
July 10 – Bridle Bunch barn cleaning
July 11 – Fair Set Up @ 5:30-8:00pm
July 12 – RPM Workshop @ 9:00am
July 24 – Rabbit Workshop @ 6:30pm
July 31 – Rabbit Workshop @ 6:30pm

Congratulations to our 2025 Hendricks County Queens Court!

Miss Hendricks County 4-H Fair Queen - Hallie Philips
1st Runner Up - Mary Van Ness
Court - Sadie Mercurio, Olivia Gibson, and Shelby Miller
Miss Congeniality - Christina Samuel



4-H Youth Council



August 25th at 7 p.m.

4-H Adult Leaders



August 26th
7 p.m.



4-H Fairboard

August 4th at 7 p.m.





4-H VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



CLUBS

- Gifted 4-H'ers
 - The Gifted 4-H'ers Club is seeking a co-leader to help facilitate meetings in the Danville area.
- Working Wonders
 - Working Wonders is seeking one or two club leaders looking to serve youth in the Southwest Area of Hendricks County.

PROJECT ADVISORS

- ATV: Safety Co-Leader
- Bicycle
- Computers
- Entomology
- Forestry
- Geology
- Health
- Our Environment (Recycling)
- Shooting Sports (Volunteers/Instructors)
- Small Engines
- Sportfishing
- Veterinary Science

STEM VOLUNTEERS

We are seeking an energetic STEM volunteer to help facilitate workshops. Workshops are frequently held during Spring Break and in the Fall. More workshops can be added as the leaders deem appropriate.

MINI 4-H VOLUNTEERS

We are in search of help to facilitate our ever-growing Mini 4-H Program! Our Mini 4-H'ers meet once a month beginning in February and have meetings through the beginning of June.

GENERAL VOLUNTEERS

We are always looking for general volunteers to help where needed! This could be serving on a committee or helping at the fair. If you are interested in helping our rapidly growing program, call us to get more information!

CONTACT US 317-745-9260
TO VOLUNTEER hendrces@purdue.edu