



Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection

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APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS!

Welcome by Ashley Alexander - 4-H Educator

Hello and Happy May!

May brings about the “4-H Busy Season” and oh boy it is busy! I want to thank all those who sold and bought flowers this year! It was a great fundraiser and we appreciate all of your efforts!

May 15th is a HUGE deadline for livestock projects in 4-H. This day is the deadline for livestock to be entered into 4Honline (or paper enrollments for poultry). There will be NO EXCEPTIONS to the May 15th deadline. Please be diligent in getting all of your animals enrolled on time! We will be open late on May 13th and 15th to help you get your animals into 4Honline! You can also call the office to get help over the phone. Either way, please make sure to get your animals enrolled on time!

Be on the lookout at the end of the month for the FairEntry mailing. FairEntry will open on June 1st and close on July 1st. More details to come.

There are only 73 days left until the start of the Hendricks County 4-H Fair!

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Extension Office Info

The Extension Office will be
OPEN LATE until 7:00 PM on
May 13th and 15th to provide animal
enrollment assistance to anyone who
needs it.

We will be CLOSED May 26th in
observance of Memorial Day

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Monday—Friday

<https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS>

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



4-H Opportunities



Next Jr. Leader Meeting:
Monday, May 12th
6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds

2025 Jr. Leader Meeting Dates:

May 12

June 3

June 25

All Meetings
6:30- 8 p.m.
@ HC 4-H
Fairgrounds

Jr. Leaders is open to youth in 7th-12th grade who are interested in taking more of a leadership role in the 4-H Program! We meet monthly and do monthly community service projects. Be sure to sign up for "Junior Leaders" on 4-HOnline when enrolling in projects!

May Community Service

We will be planting flowers and writing happy notes for local nursing home residents.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The 2025 Jr. Leader Completion Trip will be on Thursday, July 24th.
More details to come.

MINI 4-H

Meeting Dates

May 6 - Hendricks Co. 4-H
Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.

June 3- Mini 4-H Day Camp -
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds from
9 a.m. to 12 noon

July 13 - Mini Day at the Fair! More
details TBA

We will be collecting donations for the Hendricks County Animal Shelter. They are currently asking for donations of: regular bleach, paper towels, dawn soap, hand sanitizer, white vinegar, dog/cat treats, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, and clay litter. Please bring any donations you have to the next meeting!



4-H Information

Apply now for 4-H Trips!!

There are spots available for 4-H trips! Registration is due in 4Honline by May 9th! If you are interested in attending a trip, please email or call the Extension Office ASAP.

- 4-H Academy - 9th-12th grade - June 11-13
- 4-H Camp - 3rd-6th grade - June 11-13
- 4-H Band - 9th-12th grade - June 21-23
- 4-H Chorus - 9th-12th grade - June 21-24
- 4-H Round Up - 7th-9th grade June 23-25

Find More Information HERE: <https://bit.ly/3L1YI3b>

4-H Camp Info!



4-H Camp is June 11-13 this year, at Shakamak State Park. The three-day camp is open to all 4-H members in 3rd-6th grade (as of January 1, 2025). Transportation is provided to and from camp.

This year's theme: Animals

The full cost of camp this year is \$148, but because the 4-H Youth Council wants to see more youth attend, **you will only pay \$120!!** Financial assistance is available!!

Registration is open on 4-HOnline and will close May 9th.

Information has been sent out! Keep an eye out for it as spots will fill fast!!

Registration link: <https://2025hendrickscamp.4honline.com>

Check out this
year's shirt
design!

Scan the QR code
to order!



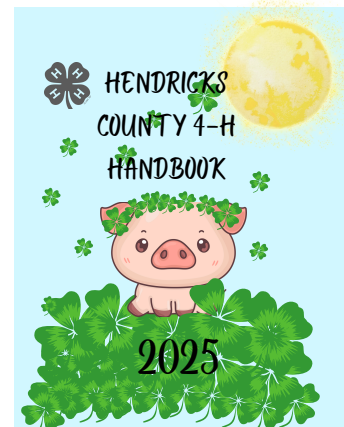
Grooming Assistance

For the 2024-2025 program year, Hendricks County 4-H is still requiring Grooming Assistance Forms to be turned in by JUNE 15 for any adult that plans to assist with an animal at the Fair.

If your form is NOT turned in by JUNE 15, you will not be permitted to handle any animal belonging to a 4-H member at the 2025 Fair.

Forms can be found in the Livestock mailing that has been sent out. If you did not receive the mailing for your respective species, please contact the Extension Office.

2025 4-H Handbooks are Available!



Physical copies are available in the Office for \$5!

A free PDF is available at this link:

hendricksco4h.com/handbook2025

4-H Information

4-H LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM UPDATE

In previous years, livestock members were required to participate in a Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training - with the exceptions of Horse & Pony, Llama/Alpaca, Cat, Dog, and Little Critters. This year, a livestock quality assurance program is still required, but there are two options now.

Option 1: In person training of the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program. Cost is \$3. We have several trainings set for Hendricks County and will share surrounding County options as well.

Option 2: Online training through YQCA. Cost is \$12. Or there is a test out option for an additional fee. Link for YQCA is: www.yqcaprogram.org

You DO NOT have to complete BOTH! ONLY ONE is required. You can pick the best option for you. Additional information has been sent out to all of the members in the projects for which a quality assurance training is required.

Both of these are also the options available for participating in the Indiana State Fair livestock shows for the designated species.

Dates for the in person Hendricks County trainings are currently:

- May 22; Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- June 17; Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds @ 10 a.m.
- June 17; Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.

Check out the flyer attached at the end for more information!



REMINDER FOR TAG-IN

If you plan on showing **beef, dairy beef, goats, or sheep**, make sure you have your calendars marked for **May 7 and 8 @ 5-7pm** for tag-in days!

All sheep, goat, and cattle that have required taggings will be done at the same time. This is the same as it was in 2024. This will allow those with multiple species to come all at once instead of having to come two days.

You should have received additional information in the mail about tag-in in the livestock mailings.

IMPORTANT!

Didn't receive a mailing?
Check to make sure you're enrolled for the 2024-2025 year and have added your livestock projects to your profile!

Animal Enrollment Deadline

May 15

***Livestock ID info DUE in 4-HOnline.**

NO EXCEPTIONS

****Poultry are NOT online – paper entry forms available in the Extension Office, all due May 15**

***** Dog and Cat forms due at a later date**

(all paper forms except those for Cat exhibitors have been mailed out)

Reminder: We have a Google Site!

With Fair approaching, we will be sharing lots of information!

A great way to keep up on our most recent updates, find the monthly newsletter, and locate leader contact information is our Google Site! We recommend all families bookmark it and keep it handy, so you have quick access to frequently needed resources!

Livestock mailings that were just sent out are also linked here!

<https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS>



4-H Fair Queen Contest



Are you interested in becoming the 2025 Hendricks County 4-H Fair Queen?

All members enrolled in 4-H in Hendricks County who are 16 years of age or older by June 1, 2025, or completed 4-H in Hendricks County their Sophomore through Senior years of high school and have not reached their 20th birthday by June 1, 2025, are encouraged to participate in the 4-H Fair Queen Contest.

Each contestant must be an active or past member of 4-H.

You can find more information such as rules, schedule, and the application at: <https://www.4hcomplex.org/p/2025fair/2025-4-h-fair-queen>

Application is DUE May 15th, NO EXCEPTIONS!

4-H Enrollment

For families that have not yet enrolled in 4-H – this is for you! While there is not a hard deadline to enroll, it is still very important to do so as soon as possible! We send out a lot of informative emails and physical letters and if you are not enrolled, we cannot guarantee you'll get those! Please take a few moments to head to v2.4honline.com and enroll for the 2024-2025 year so you don't miss out! (There are instructions on our Google Site if you need help!)



HHS UPDATE

Food Preservation Class

Learn about Freezing, Drying and Canning!

Perfect for beginners and seasoned home preservers alike.

FREE

Thursday, June 12, 2025 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex

1900 E Main St, Danville, IN

RSVP by May 28 at this link:

<https://hendricksco4h.com/FoodPres>

Questions? 317-745-9260 or hendrces@purdue.edu

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Extension - Health and Human Sciences



Sponsored by the
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Extension
Homemakers

Home and Family Arts Day Junior Bakers Pecan Contest

Sponsored by
the Hendricks County Extension Homemakers

Thursday, July 17, 2025

at the

Hendricks County 4-H Fair

Open to Youth Ages 9-12

Registration Required by July 1, 2025

See Hendricks County Home & Family Arts Open Class
Show Booklet for complete details.



Your Touchstone Energy® Partner



FREE Program for Pre-K through 1st Grade

Spots are limited, so register by June 30,
2025

Register for each session your child will
attend.

Registration does not include
admission to the Hendricks
County 4-H Fair.

Children 9 and under are free.



Read a Good Book!
Taste Healthy Foods!
Touch Agriculture!

Monday, July 14, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Tuesday, July 15, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Friday, July 18, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

<https://hendricksco4h.com/RT2>

Questions: Contact the Hendricks
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We'd like to congratulate our very own ANR Admin Assistant, Kristyn, on her wedding!

We're so happy for you, Mrs. Burnett!



You will be seeing some familiar faces this summer! Lauren and Molly will be joining us again this summer as our Summer Assistants. Welcome back ladies, we're excited to have you!

May 1- Rabbit Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 1 - Photography Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 3 - Rabbit Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 3 - RPM Shooting Sports; Fairgrounds @ 9:00 am
 May 5 - Dog Club 2A, 2B & up Member training, Drill team practice; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 5 - Beef Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 6 - Archery Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 7 - Natural Sciences; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 7 - Dog Workshop (Returning Members); Fairgrounds @ 5:00 pm
 May 7 - Robotics workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 8 - Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 9 - 4-H Explorers Meeting; planting flowers @ 7:00 pm
 May 10 - RPM; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 12 - Dog Club 1A & 1B Member training, Drill team practice; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 12 - Swine Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 5:00 pm
 May 12 - Bridle Bunch Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 13 - Archery Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 13 - Sew Savvy Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 14 - Washington Winners Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 15 - Jr. Master Gardener Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 15 - Rabbit Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 15 - Photography Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 17 - RPM Shooting Sports; Fairgrounds @ 9:00 am
 May 18 - Goat Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 4:00 pm
 May 19 - Dog Club 2A, 2B & up Member training, Drill team practice; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 19 - Photography Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 20 - Archery Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 20 - Sheep Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 20 - Poultry Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 20 - 4-H Explorers Meeting; Hummel Park @ 7:00 pm
 May 21 - Robotics Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 22 - Rabbit Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 24 - RPM Shooting Sports; Fairgrounds @ 9:00 am
 May 27 - Happy Farmers Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 27 - Archery Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm
 May 28 - Communications Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm
 May 29 - Rabbit Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 pm
 May 31 - RPM Shooting Sports; Fairgrounds @ 9:00 am

4-H Flower Sale

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's spring flower sale fundraiser!

Club order pick-up will be May 1st and 2nd depending on the date selected by your club leader. Leaders will schedule and confirm date and time.

Drive-thru open sales pick-up will be Saturday May 3rd from 8-10am in the front parking lot.

4-H Youth Council



May 19 @ 7:00 pm

4-H Adult Leaders



June 26
@ 7:00 pm



4-H Fairboard

May 5 @ 7:00 pm



4-H

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED



CLUBS

- Gifted 4-Hers
 - The Gifted 4-Her's 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-Hers 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
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