

# CLOVER CONNECTION

Hendricks County 4-H  
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# PURDUE EXTENSION

## INDIANA 4-H



### WE LOVE 4-H BECAUSE...

#### Welcome by Kati Sweet - 4-H Educator

We have so many reasons to love 4-H, but this month has some extra special ones in store!

We love 4-H because...

- 1. We have so many projects!** This month the 2022 4-H Handbook will be available that shares details about all of the project exhibit guidelines for Fair. Digital and hard copies will be available soon! Be on the lookout for an email when it is available.
- 2. There are so many trips to take!** Summer Trip information will be coming out this month! As of now, several 4-H Trips are planned for in-person this summer with lots of new opportunities! Our 4-H Youth Council has set aside funds to offset the cost of these trips to allow our members to attend at a reasonable price! Check your mail and email for more details coming soon!
- 3. Our flowers are awesome!** Flower sale details will be sent out this month. This is our biggest fundraiser for the county 4-H Program. Plus, clubs get 10% of their sales AND members can earn 4-H CoAlliance Cafe Bucks to spend at the fair! The flowers are from a local grower (also a 4-H family) and are beautiful! We encourage everyone to sell even a few to help out our program. See attached flyer for details and be on the look out for order forms in the mail.
- 4. We have new, fun programs!** We are planning some great programs for Spring Break in March including two NEW programs! Check out page 4 for more details!
- 5. Our Fair is the best!** We may be biased, but we think our fair is the best there is! Check out page 5 to see this year's theme!
- 6. Our 4-H Members and Families are the BEST!!!** The biggest reason we love 4-H is because of our 4-H members and families! Thank you for being you and being a part of our program! Added bonus - there is still time to enroll!!! Visit [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com) to enroll today!

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Happy February! Looking forward to a great month!

# 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

## Junior Leaders

Junior Leaders is open to ALL YOUTH in 7th-12th grade who are interested in taking on more of a leadership role within the community. We meet monthly to conduct business, participate in community service, and build leadership skills.

**Next Junior Leader Meeting:  
Thursday, February 16th  
6:30-8 p.m.  
Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds!**

## 4-H Summer Trips

4-H Trips are back to in-person for the summer! More details will be sent soon, but you can save the dates for any trips you are interested in attending:

- **Teens as Teachers** - 8th-11th grade - Feb. 25-27
- **4-H Academy** - 9th-12th grade - June 8-10
- **State Jr. Leader Conference** - 9th-12th grade - June 14-17
- **4-H Camp** - 3rd-6th grade - June 15-17
- (Camp Counselors are 9th-12th grade)
- **4-H Band** - 9th-12th grade - June 18-20
- **4-H Chorus** - 9th-12th grade - June 18-21
- **4-H Round Up** - 7th-9th grade - June 20-22
- **Citizenship Washington Focus** - June 25-July 1

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

## 4-H Enrollment

4Honline is OPEN! Enroll at:  
[v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)

If you need your password reset or need help enrolling, please call the office at 317-745-9260 or email [hendrces@purdue.edu](mailto:hendrces@purdue.edu).

Also, if you selected to pay by cash/check, please get those payments in ASAP so we can process your enrollment! THANKS!

**Junior  
Leaders**  
INDIANA 4-H



## Community Service:

This month's Community Service will benefit Family Promise. Some of the items on their wish list are:

Bottled Water, Toilet Bowl Cleaner, 13 gallon trash bags, Paper towels, Shampoo, Conditioner, Laundry Detergent, Deodorant, Baby Wipes, Plastic Silverware

To see an entire list visit:

<https://bit.ly/3uiT9aQ>

## Scholarships

You can find links to our scholarships on our NEW website:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/county/hendricks/4h-youth/index.html>

### Scholarships:

- Pork Producers, Sheep Club, Swine Club, Beef Club, Beef Club Continuing Education, Hampton Memorial Livestock Scholarship, Hampton Cascade Scholarship
- Extension Homemakers Scholarship
- Master Gardeners Scholarship

## Project Leaders Needed!

Are you interested in helping with a 4-H Club or leading 4-H project workshops throughout the year? We have numerous clubs and projects that need additional adult volunteer help! Help ranges from club leaders to co-leaders to extra sets of hands to help with meetings and workshops. Fill out this survey: <https://bit.ly/3y6OYxM> or contact the Extension Office to see how you can help!

# CLUB INFORMATION

## New Club Leaders Needed

There are several clubs that are transitioning leadership this year! If your club is one of those, you will be contacted to see if anyone would be interested in assisting with the club as a new leader/co-leader.



## Club Audits Coming!

Per state 4-H guidelines, we are to conduct club financial reviews/audits of 20% of our clubs on an annual basis. These audits will take place in early spring. Below is a list of clubs that will be reviewed this year:

- Center Stage 4-Hers
- Working Wonders
- Lucky Clovers
- 4-Leaf Clovers
- Clever Clovers
- Jr. Leaders
- Beef Club
- Bridle Bunch
- Shooting Sports
- Sheep Club
- Swine Club

Additionally, ALL clubs must submit a financial overview annually in addition to filing an IRS 990 form. Club leaders will receive additional information soon.



## Mini 4-H

Attention Mini 4-H Members!  
First Mini 4-H Meeting of the year:  
February 15th at 6:30 p.m.  
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds  
We look forward to having you!

# Handbook Update:

This past fall, almost ALL projects at the state level in 4-H were updated.

Several county-only projects also had updates this fall. While project rules have been approved by the 4-H Youth Council, the handbook is still in the process of being formatted and finalized. We hope to have it completed and ready for distribution soon. Almost every project has at least one or two updates in order to meet state guidelines and help break down possible barriers within the 4-H Program. We apologize for the delay. Thank you for your patience.

We will alert everyone when the digital copy is available.



## 4-H Youth Council

The next 4-H Youth Council meeting will be **Monday, February 28th at 7 p.m.** both in-person at the Fairgrounds and virtually via Zoom.



## 4-H Adult Leaders

Stay tuned for more updates.  
Next Meeting: Spring 2022



## 4-H Fairboard

The next Fairboard Meeting will be on Monday, February 7th at 7 p.m.!

See email for committee meeting dates and times.



# SPRING BREAK SPARK PROGRAMS COMING SOON!

All of these programs are open to 4-H AND non-4-H youth in the grades mentioned! Bring a friend and join the fun! *Registration will open on 4HOnline soon!*

## Chef University

We will once again be offering Chef University. Participants will prepare recipes designed to help them learn new cooking techniques, science skills, and nutrition lessons. Recipes are based on food items from around the world! The last day includes a fun "Chopped"-style event.



Cost will be \$40 (includes all 3 days). Grades 3-5.

March 30, 31 and April 1st from 12:30-4 p.m.

## Get Experience in Mindfulness (GEM)



Get Experience in Mindfulness (GEM) places an emphasis on stress management taught through practical and interactive mindfulness-based activities. It is a fun, interactive program designed to help youth develop a better understanding in all seven areas of wellness. Youth will leave with several items that will help them continue to practice mindfulness at home!

Cost is \$25. Lunch is included.

Monday, March 28 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - 9th-12th grade  
Tuesday, March 29 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - 6th-8th grade

**\*\*This program made possible through a grant from IU Health! Thank you IU Health!\*\***

## STEM Makerspace Days

Build. Try. Develop. Make.

Join us for two days of various STEM-related activities to explore your interest and careers in STEM! Activities range in topics and skill levels.

Cost is \$25 (includes both days). Snacks provided.

Thursday, March 31 and Friday, April 1  
9 a.m. - 12 noon







## FAIR NEWS

Drumroll please! The theme for the 2022 Hendricks County 4-H Fair is...

### ***Big Wheels, Pig Squeals, and Family Meals***

Mark your calendar for July 17-23 for the 2022 4-H Fair! Pre-Fair will take place the week before and our Achievement Banquet will be on Sunday, July 24th!

Schedule details are still being finalized.

## HHS UPDATE

### **RT2 Book of the Month**

Be sure to READ February's Book:

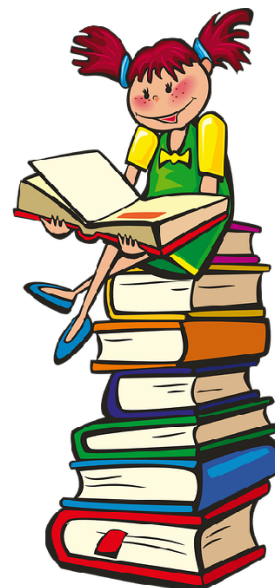
The Little Hen Makes a Pizza by P Sturges.

TASTE... Hen decides to make a pizza and finds she is lacking a lot of ingredients. When she asks her animal friends to help her, she finds none of them are willing to assist. See what she does to create a nice pizza.

Maybe you can make a pizza today!

TOUCH... There are lots of ingredients used to make a pizza. Can you identify which ones are hard, soft, and/or squishy? If we did not have farmers growing our food, we could not make pizza.

To become a member of the RT2 Book Club, call the Hendricks County Extension Office at 317-745-9260.



## ANR UPDATE



### **FEBRUARY PARP EVENT**

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

9:00a - 11:00a

Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds Complex

1900 E Main St.

Danville, IN 46122

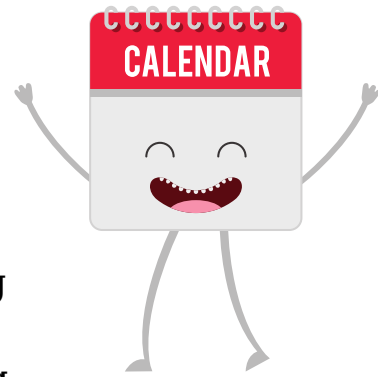
Questions: 317-745-9260

PARP CCH and RT credits available. Cost is paid for by Indiana Corn and Indiana Soybean Alliance.

# Important 4-H Dates

## February 2022

- February 3- Rabbit Club Meeting
- February 7- Beef Club Meeting
- February 7- Fairboard Meeting
- February 8- Pittsboro Trailblazers Club Meeting
- February 10- Discovery Club Meeting
- February 10- Washington Winners Club Meeting
- February 10- Amo Aces Club Meeting
- February 14- Bridle Bunch Club Meeting
- February 24- Working Wonders Club Meeting
- February 24- Rabbit Club Meeting
- February 28- Youth Council Meeting



## March 2022

- March 7- Beef Club Meeting
- March 8- Pittsboro Trailblazers meeting
- March 8- 4-H Explorers Club Meeting
- March 10- Discovery Club Meeting
- March 10- Washington Winners Club Meeting
- March 10- Amo Aces Club Meeting
- March 14- Bridle Bunch meeting
- March 14- Bulldog Clovers Club Meeting
- March 15- Sheep Club Meeting

### Bad Weather Policy

NOTE: As the weather starts to get worse, we want you to know that SAFETY is the number one concern of Purdue Extension—Hendricks County and Hendricks County 4-H. Therefore, should inclement weather happen, please pay close attention to our website and social media accounts for cancellations. If schools have been canceled for the day, MOST LIKELY 4-H related events will be canceled as well for the evening. When bad weather happens, please make sure that you only attend meetings where you are comfortable getting to and from the meetings. Again, we want you to stay SAFE while driving this winter!



### HEALTHY LIVING TIP:

It sure is chilly outside! If it's too cold to go outside, try doing some exercise around the house such as walking in place while doing dishes or doing sit-ups during commercial breaks of your favorite TV show!

### CONTACT US:

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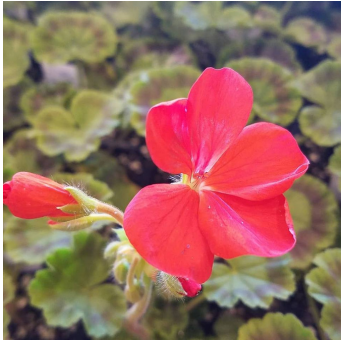
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## Purchasing

### Flowers:

You may purchase flowers by ordering them through your local Hendricks County 4-H Members or by calling 317-745-9260.



Pictured:

Above: Red Seed Geraniums

Below: Purple and White Petunias



# 2022 4-H FLOWER SALE

**Orders DUE March 21  
to Club Leaders!**

**Club Order Pick Up will be based on date selected by club (end of April)**

**Drive-Thru Open Sales will be Saturday, April 30 - Time TBD**  
**Final details coming soon.**



### Prices:

**Red or Hot Pink Seed Geraniums**  
**\$2.00 each or \$36.00/flat of 18**

**Purple or White Wave Petunias**  
**\$5.00 per Plant or \$75/flat of 15**

All proceeds go to local 4-H Clubs for activities and to the Hendricks County 4-H Youth Council to support county 4-H programming, sending youth on 4-H trips, awards, and more.