

Hello 4-H Families,

It's time! If you haven't yet, please be sure to get your 4-H enrollments in by January 15! Sign up at <https://v2.4honline.com/>. If you've chosen to pay by check or cash at the Extension Office, please note your enrollment cannot be processed until payment is received.

Club Leaders, please check your members' enrollment status! Your help in getting everybody enrolled is appreciated. The Financial Checklist, Annual Financial Report, and Club Activity Form (available on the Indiana 4-H Club Resources page at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/volunteer/resources-and-development/club-resources.html>) are due January 31.

Interested in becoming a **4-H adult volunteer**? Adults must complete an application process before creating a profile in 4-HOnline. Contact the Extension Educators at 219-755-3240 to find out more.

DATE CHANGE: The **Annual Meeting & Volunteer Recognition Banquet** at Great Oaks Banquet Hall, Cedar Lake, has been postponed to March 24. If you registered and are unable to attend the new date, you may contact 4-H Secretary Roz Adams, rdcoleman@purdue.edu or 219-755-3240, to request a refund.

Ready to spice things up in the kitchen? Members in grades 6-12 are invited to cook, learn, and snack in the **4-H Spice Club!** We will highlight a "spice of the week" and explore its health benefits, origins, and recipe ideas. The club will meet Tuesdays after school at the Extension Office, April 12-May 17. Call the Extension Office at 219-755-3240 to sign up. Registration fee of \$25 for 4-H members (\$40 for other youth) due March 29. See flyer attached for more information.

We are proceeding with plans for in-person **4-H Horse and Pony Demo and Public Speaking**, to be held on Saturday morning, March 19, at Clark Middle School in St. John. Start practicing now! More information coming soon. We will need adults to help with timing and monitoring rooms. Please contact Sarah Pancini, sap779@yahoo.com or 219-669-0126, if you are able to assist. No experience needed—this is a great way for parents to get involved and support the program.

4-H Dog Leaders, Trainers, Volunteers, and Judges are invited to this year's **4-H Dog Volunteers' Workshop!** The workshop will take place on Saturday March 5, 2022 at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds and Conference Complex. Registration costs \$10 and will include a lunch, resource packet, a day of learning and fun. Register via 4-H Online in the Events Tab at v2.4honline.com. Contact Purdue Extension-Jefferson County (Britt Copeland) at (812) 265-8919 for any additional questions.

Please join us for the **Indiana 4-H/FFA Young Ladies in Agriculture Forum** during the Midwest Women in Agriculture annual conference on February 9, 2022! The conference and forum will take place at the Blue Gate Garden Inn (Shipshewana, IN). Hotel rooms are available if staying overnight. *Forum Details:* Wednesday, Feb. 9th, 2022 (check-in from 3-3:30 PM, program begins at 3:30 pm, dinner begins at 6:00 pm). This forum will allow young ladies from 12-18 the opportunity to meet their peers, explore sessions, and listen to well-known keynote speakers in the industry! Topics include ag careers, job interview skills, and making a good first impression! A sit-down dinner is included with the registration cost, with Indiana FFA State Treasurer Jordyn Wickard as the Keynote speaker! FFA Official Dress or business casual attire

is requested. The registration cost is \$20 per young lady (the same cost applies to FFA advisors, 4-H leaders, or parents who are attending as chaperones). Payment is requested in advance, but can also be paid upon arrival. An email will be sent after your confirmation is received with more details. An invoice can also be sent for groups. To register for the Young Ladies in Ag forum, please complete this sign-up no later than Jan. 31st at 11:59 PM EST. Registration Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4ba9a82ea6ff2-young>

Reminders:

Indiana 4-H scholarship applications are available now and are due January 25. Visit [Indiana 4-H Scholarship Applications](#) to learn more about these opportunities, supported by the [Indiana 4-H Foundation](#)!

Indiana 4-H is excited to provide an upcoming statewide **Experience 4-H: Game Design** opportunity to engage youth and volunteers in the art and science of video game design with an eye toward career development. Youth in grades 6-12 will form teams of 3-5 along with two adult volunteer mentors to develop a video game that will address a challenge they see in their local community. Youth do not need to be 4-H members to participate. More details are located at bit.ly/4hgamedesign22.

Tuesday, February 1, 2022, will be our **Indiana 4-H Day at the State House!** Youth in 7th-12th grade will learn about their state government through a day full of civic engagement and leadership. Participants will tour the state house, meet representatives, and have the opportunity to serve as student pages. Registration is currently open and will close January 18th. You can register at the [Indiana State 4-H Website!](#)

FEBRUARY 25-27, 2022 AT CAMP TECUMSEH - BROOKSTON, IN **Teens as Teachers** is an opportunity for teams of 3-5 youth and one adult mentor to learn how to be teachers and subject matter experts of a topic of their choice, and are empowered to deliver programming to their community. This training is for youth in grades 8-11. In addition to studying the subject matter of their choice, youth will learn fundamentals of hands-on learning, ages and stages of youth development, public speaking, and lesson planning.

Upcoming Events (all events subject to change):

All indoor 4-H activities must have an approved Safety Plan in place.

January 15—4-H enrollment due

January 17 – Extension Office Closed-Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

January 25—[Indiana 4-H Scholarship Applications](#) due in 4-HOnline

January 31—4-H Club annual reports due (download at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/volunteer/resources-and-development/club-resources.html>)

February 1 – [Indiana 4-H Day at the State House](#) registration deadline January 18th

February 3—Horse and Pony Committee, Extension Office, 7 pm

February 21 – Extension Office Closed -Presidents Day

February 25-27 – Teens as Teachers registration deadline February 11th

March 19—Horse and Pony Demo, Clark Middle School, St. John, check in 8 a.m.

March 24—NEW DATE: County Committee Annual Meeting & Volunteer Recognition Banquet, Great Oaks, Cedar Lake

April 12—4-H Spice Club starts, Extension Office, 5:00-6:30 pm, registration due March 29

If you have any club or project information that you'd like to share in the weekly email, please let 4-H Secretary Roz Adams rdcoleman@purdue.edu know by Wednesday each week.

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