# LAKE COUNTY 4-H CLOVER CONNECTIONS





## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Enrollment started on October 1 on the 4HOnline website https:\\v2.4honline.com/. The enrollment form is how we know who is participating in the program and that parents have given permission for youth to participate. It tells us how to reach you, so that the office and 4-H leaders can communicate with you. It also tells us which projects you are interested in, so we can share information about workshops, rule changes, etc. Families can log back in and edit this as needed throughout the year, so please keep your information current. If you were enrolled in 4-H last year, do not try to create a new account! Just log in to your existing family profile and update your information as needed. You can reset your password if you have forgotten it.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

Purchase a 4-H Paper Clover at Tractor Supply Co. November 29th-December 15th and create more opportunity for kids! You can purchase a clover in the store or add a donation at checkout on tractorsupply.com Funds raised help support 4-H camp and leadership activities.

Save the Date: Prairie Pioneers 4–H Club is sponsoring a delicious all-you-can-eat chili supper, on Saturday, November 9th from 4 – 7 P.M. at the Lowell VFW Post 6841, 17401 Morse Street. All proceeds and extra donations will go to help replace the roof at the VFW. Purchase tickets at the door (\$12 includes drinks and dessert; \$7 hotdog/chips option for kids 8 & under.

The 2025 4-H scholarship applications are available on the <u>4-H</u> <u>Scholarship web page</u>. Applications are completed through your 4-H Online account and are due January 25th.

## **PROJECT HIGHLIGHT**

Exciting News: Animal Education is a NEW Project!

Be sure to read below to know what the guidelines are so when it's Fair time you'll know what to do.

## **Description:**

Youth can learn about livestock and companion animals through a variety of experiences.

#### **State Fair Entries:**

- 1 Beef entry per county.
- 3 Cat entries per county; one per level.
- 1 Dairy Cattle entry per county.
- 3 Dog entries per county; one per level.
- 1 Goat entry per county.
- 1 Horse entry per county.
- 3 Llama entries per county; one per level.
- 3 Poultry entries per county; one per level.
- 3 Rabbit entries per county; one per level.
- 1 Sheep entry per county.
- 1 Swine entry per county.

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHT CONTINUED

#### **Exhibit Guidelines:**

Owning or showing an animal is not required. Members enrolled in any 4-H animal or livestock project can exhibit in this project and are to contact their county 4-H educator to learn if they are to also be enrolled in animal education. Artificial Intelligence (AI) may be used, with parent permission, when creating this exhibit and is to be documented as a reference. A majority of the work to create this exhibit is to be the 4-H member's original work. All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the way references are listed. Posters are to be 22"x28" and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. Display boards should be designed to sit on a table using no more than 36" of tabletop space. Space should be left in the lower right hand corner to place an exhibit tag provided by Purdue Extension staff.

Judges evaluating exhibits should recognize individual differences and creativity, therefore using information in this document as a guide rather than a requirement.

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHT CONTINUED

#### **Exhibit Class Guidelines:**

### Beginner (grades 3-5 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any specie related topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate. Check with the Purdue Extension office in your county to determine if enrollment is required in the species project you want to learn about. Owning or possessing an animal is not required.

### Intermediate (grades 6-8 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any specie related topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate. Check with the Purdue Extension office in your county to determine if enrollment is required in the species project you want to learn about. Owning or possessing an animal is not required.

### Advanced (grades 9–12 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any specie related topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate. Check with the Purdue Extension office in your county to determine if enrollment is required in the species project you want to learn about. Owning or possessing an animal is not required.

## JR. LEADERS

Congratulations to the newly elected 2025 Junior Leader Officers! We are excited to welcome this incredible group of young leaders who will help shape the future with their energy, passion, and dedication. Their commitment to excellence and willingness to serve are truly inspiring, and we are confident you will lead with integrity, innovation, and teamwork. As you step into these roles, remember that leadership is not only about guiding others but also about learning, growing, and building strong communities. We look forward to seeing all the amazing things you will accomplish in the year ahead! Wishing you all a successful and fulfilling year as the 2025 Junior Leader Officers!

President: Noah Miller

Vice-President: Annalise Neal

Secretary: David Spaniol

Treasurer: Claire Donaldson

Social Media: Colleen Donaldson

Social Media: Mikayla Klopp

Recreation Team: Garrett Neal

Recreation Team: Fawwaz Shareef

## JR. LEADERS CONTINUED

## Attention all 4-H Clubs!

The Lake County Jr. Leaders' 4–H Club has made a thoughtful decision and voted to purchase gift cards to send to an Educator in Green County, Tennessee, to help distribute to surrounding families affected by the recent hurricanes. Additionally, they would like to ask other 4–H Clubs in our county if they would like to contribute gift cards to further support the cause.

## How to help?

- Discuss in your 4-H Club
- Vote and purchase Gift Cards
- Bring them to the Extension Office by December 1st



- Fri. 11/1 4-H Memory Books Due, Extension Office, 2291 N Main St, Crown Point
- Fri. 11/1 The Seekers 4–H Club Meeting, 6729 W 133rd Ave, Cedar Lake, 2:00pm
- Mon. 11/4 Hobart Hurricanes 4-H Club Meeting, 301 E 10th St, Hobart, 6:00pm
- Tues. 11/5 Saddle & Spurs 4-H Club Meeting, 122 N Main St, Crown Point, 6:00pm
- Wed. 11/6 Shelby Ag 4-H Club Meeting, 299 N Burr St, Lowell, 6:00pm
- Thurs. 11/7 4-H Horse & Pony Meeting, 2991 N Main St, Crown Point, 6:30pm
- Thur. 11/7 Brunswick Beavers 4–H Club Meeting, 14804 W. 113th Ave, Dyer, 7:00pm
- Fri. 11/8 Crown Clovers 4–H Club Meeting, 250 S Indiana Ave, Crown Point, 6:00pm
- Sat. 11/9 Hammond Explorers 4–H Club Meeting, 564 State St, Hammond, 4:00pm

- Sun. 11/10 Prime Beefmakers 4–H Club Meeting, Lowell, 2:00pm
- Sun. 11/10 Eagle Creek Up & At'em 4-H Club Meeting, 18095 Clay St, Hebron, 4:00pm
- Sun. 11/10 RPFF 4-H Club Meeting, 183 S West St, Crown Point, 5:00pm
- Mon. 11/11 Extension Office Closed Veterans Day
- Mon. 11/11 The Lone Rangers 4-H Club Meeting, 4613 E 109th Ave, Crown Point, 7:00pm
- Wed. 11/13 4-H Computer Workshop, 11900 Wicker Ave, Cedar Lake, 6:00pm. We will be learning to program microbits. Tired of only coding robots? Think the world is more than robots? Learn to microcomputer to life. Learn to program in either block or Python depending on your age/experience. Get your computer project completed early. All divisions are welcome. Questions, please email Lin Wozniewski at <a href="mailto:lwozniewski@gmail.com">lwozniewski@gmail.com</a>. Please register at
- https://computer-11-13-24.4honline.com by Nov.12th.
- Fri. 11/15 Rockin' Clovers 4-H Club Meeting, 8651 W 93rd, St. John, 6:00pm

Sun. 11/17 Griffith Grinners 4–H Club Meeting, 9717 Spring St, Highland

Mon. 11/18 4-H Consumer Meats Workshop,11900 Wicker Ave, Cedar Lake, 6:00pm. Recipe Exchange! Bring your favorite Beef, Goat, Lamb, Pork, Poultry and/or Rabbit recipe and some blank recipe cards and enlarge your recipe file! All levels welcome. Questions, please email Lin Wozniewski

at <a href="mailto:lwozniewski@gmail.com">lwozniewski@gmail.com</a>. Please register by Nov. 17th at <a href="https://consumermeats11-18-24.4honline.com">https://consumermeats11-18-24.4honline.com</a>.

Wed. 11/20 Hammond Explorers 4-H Club Meeting, 564 State St, Hammond

Thurs 11/21 4-H County Committee Meeting, 2291 N Main St, Crown Point, 6:00 pm

Tues. 11/26 4–H Communications Workshop,11900 Wicker Ave, Cedar Lake, 6:00pm. It is never too early to start your speech or demonstration for the 2025 contests. Should you do it yourself or have a partner? Horse and Pony people welcome. Come get pointers. All levels welcome. Questions, please email Lin Wozniewski

at <a href="mailto:lwozniewski@gmail.com">lwozniewski@gmail.com</a>. Please register by Nov. 25th

at <a href="https://communications11-26-24.4honline.com">https://communications11-26-24.4honline.com</a>.

Thurs & Fri 11/28-29 Extension Office Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

See the complete Lake County 4-H Calendar and more at <a href="https://extension.purdue.edu/county/lake/lake-county-4-">https://extension.purdue.edu/county/lake/lake-county-4-</a><a href="https://extension.purdue.edu/county/lake/lake-county-4-">h.html</a>. If you are in need of accommodations to attend a program, please contact the Extension Educators at least 14 days prior to the meeting at 219-755-3240.