

LAPORTE COUNTY

4-H Thursday Tidbit



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES



Things happening in November:

- Area X Crops, Entomology, & Forestry Nov. 12
- Purdue CARET State Conference Nov. 13
- Livestock Superintendent Meeting Nov. 19

Important Announcements:

All animals must be entered in 4-H Online by May 15th and project options should be chosen by then.

All animals and exhibits must be entered in Fair Entry to be shown or exhibited in the 2026 year. We know this is early but it is hard to add exhibitors at check in, it really makes it more difficult on staff and volunteers.

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Check out our calendar for all 4-H Events & Club Meetings

VOLUNTEER RENEWAL/SIGN UP

October is just around the corner and we have sparked creativity, built confidence, and helped grow tomorrow's leaders—and now it's time to do it all again! Re-enroll as a 4-H volunteer and continue your incredible journey of impact, learning, and connection.

Why Re-Enroll?

- Reignite your passion and purpose with fresh opportunities
- Reconnect with your local 4-H community and fellow changemakers
- Refresh your toolkit with new resources, training, and ideas
- Recommit to making a difference—your presence makes magic happen

☒ Re-Enrollment is Easy! Log into your 4-H Online account to update or confirm your information, complete your trainings, and submit your enrollment. Need help? Do not hesitate to reach out to the Extension Office Monday to Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A 4-H VOLUNTEER?

Not sure what to select for your volunteer type? Use the chart below to know your type!

Volunteer <u>Type</u> in 4-H Online:	PROJECT VOLUNTEER	PROGRAM VOLUNTEER	CLUB VOLUNTEER
Volunteer <u>Role</u> in 4-H Online:	Subject Matter/Project Leader	General Program Volunteer	1. Club Organizational Leader 2. Shooting Sports 3. 4-H Affiliate member
<u>For:</u>	Superintendents, committee members, coaches & clinic leaders	Anyone wanting to volunteer in any aspect of 4-H	1. All club leaders, including assistant club leaders or other club helpers. 2. Coordinator, instructor & Associate instructor 3. 4-H Council members

NEW VOLUNTEER	New Volunteer Applicant	New volunteers and any volunteers who were not approved during the previous 4-H year.
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YOU CAN HAVE MORE THAN ONE VOLUNTEER TYPE



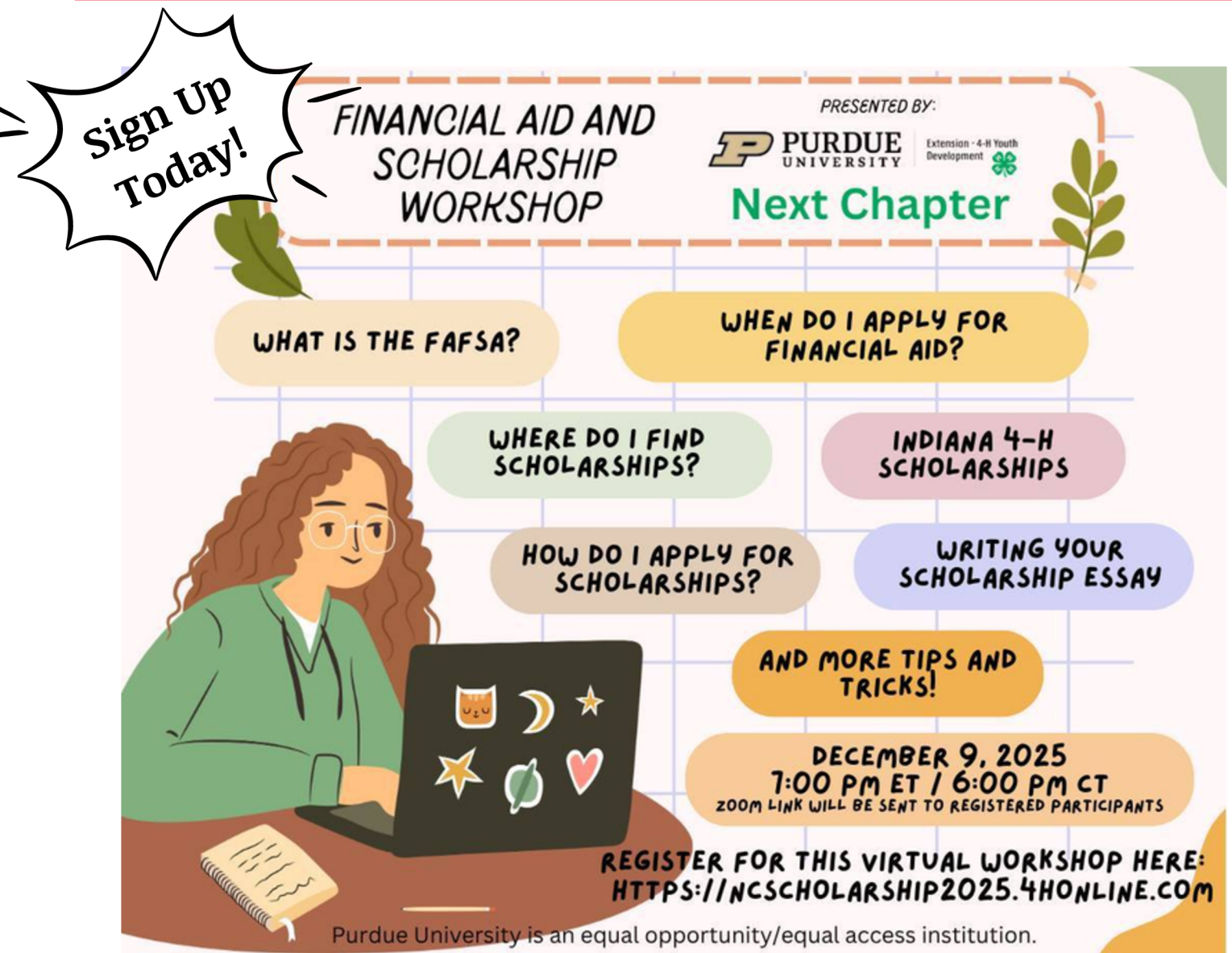
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VOLUNTEER BANQUET

We wanted to let you know that the 2025 Volunteer Banquet has been postponed until March. The event will now be held alongside the Purdue Extension – LaPorte County Annual Meeting.

A formal invitation will be sent once the date is finalized, and more details will be shared in early 2026. We look forward to celebrating your hard work and dedication together in the spring!

If you happen to receive an invitation for the original 2025 banquet date, please disregard it, as those details are no longer current. Thank you for all that you do to make LaPorte County 4-H and Purdue Extension a success.



Sign Up Today!

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP

PRESENTED BY:
PURDUE UNIVERSITY | Extension - 4-H Youth Development

Next Chapter

- WHAT IS THE FAFSA?
- WHEN DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?
- WHERE DO I FIND SCHOLARSHIPS?
- INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS
- HOW DO I APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?
- WRITING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY
- AND MORE TIPS AND TRICKS!

DECEMBER 9, 2025
7:00 PM ET / 6:00 PM CT
ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT TO REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS

REGISTER FOR THIS VIRTUAL WORKSHOP HERE:
[HTTPS://NCSCHOLARSHIP2025.4HONLINE.COM](https://ncscholarship2025.4honline.com)

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BEEF REMIND

4-H Members enrolled in the beef project, the committee has decided to try using remind to keep everyone up to date. They will post and remind you of weigh-ins, tagging deadlines, county fair schedule, and workshops!

It is super simple and only takes 30 seconds, and it will send you alerts straight to your phone. Use this link to join: <https://www.remind.com/join/lpc4hbeef>

FAIR INFORMATION

It is never too early to start planning! 2026 Fair Dates: **July 11th-18th** Stay up to date through their website (<https://lpfair.com/>) or [Facebook](#)!

Approved Black Friday Prices: November 28-December 13

- Season Pass: \$42
- Senior/Child (ages 10-15) Season Pass: \$32
- Family Pass Bundle: \$50
- Includes 8 single-day passes (1 pass = 1 person, 1 day)
- All Gates Parking Pass: \$10
- Admission not included. Free parking lot also available!
- Golf Cart Permit: \$125
- 4-H Family Campground Spot: \$224 (to first of the year)

MINI MONDAYS

We are ready for another year of mini fun! Please save the dates for our Mini Monday events. We will start at 6 PM in the Small Projects Building.

Save the dates:

- January 26 - Recycling
- February 23 - Wearable Art
- March 23 - My Pet & Me: Cat
- April 27 - Garden
- May 18 - Bike Rodeo
- June 29 - Project Judging & Pet Parade
- July 11 to 17 - Fair Week, we will do Mini Graduation again this year for all 2nd graders. You will need to register in Fair Entry for ALL fair activities.

WE'RE HIRING FOR A SUMMER 4-H ASSISTANT



Looking for a summer job that makes a difference?
Join Purdue Extension - LaPorte County as our
Summer 4-H Assistant and help us create a fun,
educational, and engaging summer for local youth!

- Hands on experience in youth development & community programs
- Assist with 4-H workshops, events, and the LaPorte County Fair
- Gain leadership, communication, and organizational skills
- Great opportunities for college students pursuing education, agriculture, communications or related fields

Applications are due November 3rd, 2025

SCAN THE QR CODE TO APPLY ONLINE!

Apply today and be part of an unforgettable summer with 4-H!



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Training Opportunity

INDIANA 4-H BEYOND READY VOLUNTEERS

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming volunteer workshop! Learn about the Beyond Ready initiative and how YOU can be a part of preparing Indiana youth to be Ready for Work, Ready for Life!

DETAILS



**Beyond
Ready**

Workshop is in conjunction
with the 4-H Foundation
Scholarship Luncheon

Workshop participants earn
FREE Luncheon admittance!
Luncheon immediately
follows workshop.



Volunteer Ready!

Complete the workshop and
you, too, are Beyond Ready!
You walk away with skills to
help Indiana youth in their
career exploration journey.

RSVP

Complete this short survey to let us know
you are coming. We will have a variety of
resources ready for you!

https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6SCeMA0OEfKMJIY or QR code



Contact Us

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More Information

<https://in4h.org/luncheon-RSVP/>



10:45 AM - NOON

15
NOVEMBER

**JONATHAN
BYRD'S EVENTS
AND CATERING**

502 EAST EVENT CENTRE
CARMEL, IN



INTERESTED IN BEING A 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR OR CHAPERONE AT

CAMP TANNADOONAH?

REQUIREMENTS FOR CAMP COUNSELORS:

- GRADES 7-12
- MUST BE ENROLLED FOR THE 2025/26 4-H YEAR
- ATTEND CAMP COUNSELOR TRAINING DAYS (DATES TO BE DETERMINED)

CAMP COUNSELORS ARE EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT FROM JUNE 8TH TO JUNE 11TH, 2026.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CAMP CHAPERONES:

- MUST BE APPROVED VOLUNTEER FOR THE 2025/26 4-H YEAR

TWO MALE CAMP CHAPERONES ARE EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT FROM JUNE 8TH TO JUNE 11TH, 2026.

THE 2026 4-H CAMP WILL TAKE PLACE AT CAMP TANNADOONAH IN VANDALIA, MICHIGAN.

APPLY TODAY!

Applications are open now through January 25

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Sewing CLASSES

KIDS CLASS

ages 10 and up

November 28

12:30-4 p.m.



Project:
Simple Backpack
Cost:
\$30



Pre-registration is required at the Park Office.
Call 219-326-9600 or visit 250 Pine Lake Avenue.

Class size is limited.

Must be 10 years or older.

All supplies

including machine and instruction will be furnished.

If you prefer, you may bring your own machine.

Class to be held at 1640 First Street, La Porte

Steady Stitchers contact: Janet 219-363-8122

250 Pine Lake Ave.
La Porte, IN 46350
219.326.9600



laporteparkandrec.com
livinthelakelife.org
facebook.com/laporteparks

November Archery Schedule

20th - Intermediate Project Discussion 6 - 8PM

22nd - Shooting 9AM - 12PM

All events will be held at the Small Projects Building. All participants are welcome to the shooting on the 22nd

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2026 BEEF TAGGING DAYS
FEBRUARY 20 (APPOINTMENTS ONLY) | FEBRUARY 21 8 AM - 11 AM
APRIL 25 FOR FEEDERS 8 AM - 10 AM



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2025-2026 Sewing Dates

****All dates for workshops are in the extension office****

November

11/12 @ 6:00pm - Informational meeting

Planning for wearable and non-wearable projects.

Informing about fund raiser to help with supplies needed for workshops.



January

01/17 and 01/19 from 9:00am-3:00pm

Working on fundraiser bags or next summer's projects.

****Please come in the back door of the extension office****

February

02/16 from 9:00am-3:00pm

Working on fundraiser bags or next summer's projects.

****Please come in the back door of the extension office****

March

03/21 and 03/28 from 9:00am-3:00pm

Working on next summer's project

****Please come in the back door of the extension office****

April

04/09 9:00am-3:00pm - Workshop

04/10 9:00am-3:00pm - Workshop

June

1st, 4th, 5th 9:00am-12:00pm - Workshop

8th, 11th, 12th 9:00am-12:00pm - Workshop

15th, 18th, 19th 9:00am-12:00pm - Workshop

22nd - 26th 9:00am-12:00pm - Workshop

***June 29th - Judging and Fashion Revue @ Westville HS**

For any
questions, call
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