This Special FAIR Edition Newsletter is packed with important Fair information.

Please read carefully !!

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Moving the Extension Office

From Wednesday, July 19th thru the end of the Fair, we will not be in our regular office. During those dates you can find us at the Pike County 4-H fairgrounds at Hornady park. We will still be available by phone @ 812-354-6838. We will return to our office in the Courthouse Monday, July 31st.

PIKE COUNTY 4-H
CONGRATS CLASS OF
2023

Trenton Armstrong       Corey Goeppner       Grace Goodpaster
Carlie Halbrader        Rebecca Haycraft      Isaac Ross
Clay Keeker             Shelby Keeker         Tessa Vinnedge
                      Chloe Williams

4-H Volunteers Needed During Fair

Like most other things, our fair would be next to impossible without the help of our incredible volunteers!

In order to secure sufficient help for each aspect of our Pike County 4-H Fair, we have created a sign-up sheet with various time slots being identified on each day. Dates to sign up are:

Saturday, July 15 during the Fairgrounds Cleanup Day 7am-noon
Or by calling our office from 8am-4pm during the week

With 4-H volunteers signing up for at least two time slots each, we hope to help make a successful Pike County 4-H Fair.

Please feel free to call our office at 812-354-6838 or email Brooke bgoble5@purdue.edu or Mandy achannah@purdue.edu with any questions you might have or to sign up!
FairEntry

The annual Pike County 4-H Fair provide a great opportunity for 4-H members to show off their hard work through fair exhibits. Starting on June 1st, you could begin entering exhibits that members wish to exhibit into FairEntry.

*All Building and Livestock exhibits must be entered into FairEntry by July 10th!*

Below are instructions to help you get started with FairEntry. If you have any questions or issues, please do not hesitate to contact our office and we will gladly assist.

**FairEntry Instructions:**

1. Go to Pike County 4-H FairEntry page at https://pikecounty4hfair.fairentry.com
2. Select “Sign in with your 4-H Online” account (GREEN box)
3. A separate box will pop up where you can enter the login email address and password from 4HOnline. **If you don’t remember your password, you will need to select the “I forgot my password” option to get a temporary one emailed to you. If your email address has changed, log in using the old email address and change it in 4HOnline.**
4. Click the “Login” box.
5. This will take you to the Welcome screen, where you will need to select the green box to “Begin Registration”
6. Choose that you want to register an “individual.”
7. Choose the dot next to the name of the 4-H’er you would like to register and then click the green “continue” box
8. Answer any required questions and review the exhibitor registration information. Make any corrections using the edit boxes.
9. Click the green “Continue to Entries” button.
10. Click the green “Add an Entry” box to the right of the exhibitor’s name
11. Click the green “Select” box next to the Department you would like to enter
12. Click the green “Select” box next to the Division you would like to enter
13. Click the green “Select” box next to the Class you would like to enter
14. Review your selections and click “continue” to move to the next step.
15. Select the dot next to the 4-H Club that you belong to and then select the green “Continue” box
16. Answer any Additional questions required for that entry then click the green “Continue” box.
17. Decide if you would like to:
18. Add another entry
19. Add another entry in this division
20. Register another exhibitor
21. Continue to payment (the payment section is just a formality of the system. No payment is needed)
22. To register an animal entry from 4HOnline, you will select the white “add an animal” box during the entry process.
23. A smaller box with two options will pop up. Choose the green “Choose an Existing Animal Record” box to enter an animal that was identified in 4HOnline.
24. A list of those animals that you have previously ID’d in 4-H Online that are eligible for that class are listed. Select the circle next to the animal you would like to enter. Then select the green “Select Animal” box.
25. Check to make sure that is the correct animal. If correct, click the green “Continue” box.
26. This then takes you to answer any Additional Questions required for that entry again like in step 16. This is again if you are participating in the virtual fair for livestock shows. You will need to upload any documents, images, or video links required.
27. Confirm your entries and click the green “Submit” button when you are done. **Note once you hit submit, you cannot edit your entries**
28. You will receive an email from FairEntry after your entry has been submitted.
**General Exhibit Tips for the Fair**

**Posters**

* All posters must be 22x28-inches (unless otherwise stated in the Scoop) and displayed horizontally with your exhibit tag in the lower right corner (see diagram here or in the Scoop) **When designing your poster, be sure to leave a space in the lower right corner for an exhibit tag.** Re-check the Scoop to see if your project is an exception. **Any exhibit not following all poster requirements will drop one placing.**

* All posters must have a stiff backing and must be securely covered with clear plastic.

* We have lightweight foam board and plastic poster sleeves available in the Extension Office. We have 22x28-inch foam boards, 22x28-inch plastic sleeves and salon print sleeves in stock. Foam boards are $5, large sleeves are $1 and salon sleeves are .50 cents. Items are sold on a first come, first serve basis. **Hint:** Foam backs can be reused for several years if you create your poster on a separate poster board and mount it to the foam back before covering it in plastic.

* If you purchase your stiff backing at a retail store or make your own from plywood or corrugated card-board, make sure that it is exactly 22 by 28 inches.

* Please be aware that foam backing and poster supplies found at many stores (Hobby Lobby, Wal-Mart, etc.) may not be the correct size!

**Entry Tags & Entering Projects**

* Entry tags will be available at project check-in. Each project and separate piece of your project must have an entry tag. For example, if you have multiple pieces that make one exhibit, each piece must have a tag. **Please call the Extension Office before the project check in if you need more than one tag.**

* Make sure you have everything for your exhibit with you at check-in! Volunteers checking in projects will not check to see if you have followed all of your project rules. Consult your Scoop and ask your 4-H leader or call the Extension Office before the fair if you have questions.

* A note of explanation may be attached for the judge’s use.

* Labels must be firmly attached to the exhibit.

* 4-H’ers are encouraged to maintain their Green Record Book. However, we will not collect them during Fair; please keep the books with you so that you can work on them throughout the year.

**4-H Manuals, Record Sheets, Skills Cards & More**

* Project manuals, record sheets and other paperwork will not be available during project check-in, so be prepared when you come.

* If your project requirements says to complete a record sheet, skill card, craft card, project manual, etc., **PLEASE bring your completed paperwork/book for judging. We’ve often heard “Well, it said to complete it, but it didn’t say to bring it to Fair.” The judge won’t know if you completed the requirements without proof.**

* Completed 4-H manuals, record sheets, skills cards and other paperwork may be required for your project. Check the Scoop to see what you need to bring with your exhibit. A few examples include but are not limited to: Arts & Crafts, Cats, Collections, Floriculture, Genealogy, Model, Pets, Photography, and Sewing.

* If the project does not require a specific record sheet, you may use the “General Record Sheet”.

* If you have not used a project manual, please turn it in at the Extension Office or during fair so it can be reused. Attach a note to the book with your name so we know who returned it. If you plan to take the project again next year and will have the same book, be sure you keep it for next year.
Verbal Communications Contest

July 17: 6 PM at the 4-H Exhibit

Those enrolled in the 4-H Communications projects and are interested in preparing and giving a speech, demonstration, or persuasive talk, should plan to attend the Pike County 4-H Verbal Communications Competition on July 17. The communications projects guidelines can be found in the 2023 4-H Scoop. If you have any questions, please contact Brooke at bgoble5@purdue.edu or call the Extension Office.
Tips for 4-H Members in Grades 3-12

Getting Your Project Ready
- Don’t wait until the last minute to start your projects.
- **Read your Scoop carefully!**
- Find your 4-H project in the Scoop. Make sure you follow exhibit guidelines for the correct grade level. You should use the rules for the grade you completed during the 2022-2023 school year (not the grade you will start in August).
- Check to see if you must complete activities in your project manual or complete a record sheet. Remember to bring your completed manual and/or record sheet to check-in!
- Is there anything else you need to include with your exhibit? Do you need a recipe card? Skill card? Any type of report? Make sure you follow these rules and have everything ready before check-in and judging.
- Does your project have more than one piece (such as a pair of pillow cases, multiple insect or geology boxes, Home Environment furniture and notebook, etc.) If so, each piece will need to be labeled. Call the Extension Office during office hours so that we can make additional tags for your project.
- Are you creating a poster? Did you follow the poster guidelines? Double check the project rules to make sure you have followed the specific poster requirements for your project. (For example, there are specific titling and numbering requirements for photography exhibits.)
- Make sure you check-in your projects on time. Late entries will receive participation ribbons only.

The Night Before the Fair
- Have all of your projects ready to load in a vehicle or have a list prepared of what you will need to do or pack in the morning.
- Double check to make sure you have everything! Volunteers checking in projects will not check to see if you have followed all of your project rules.
- Try to get a good night’s sleep!

During the Fair
- All 4-H’ers and parents should show good sportsmanship, respect and courtesy at all times. Sometimes it’s tough when it’s hot and you might even lack adequate sleep. If you feel upset during fair, find a cool place, drink some water, take deep breaths and relax. After that, you might feel better!
- Every precaution will be taken to insure the safety of all exhibits, but in no case will the Pike County 4-H Council or Pike County Extension Office and each of their employees and volunteers be held responsible for loss or damage to articles.
- Project exhibit tags will be available during project check-in. Make sure tags are securely attached to your projects. You may, of course, have your projects pre-labeled with your name, club, and grade, but you will need to attach the “official” tag during check-in.
- The judge’s decision is final! Be sure to be courteous to all of our judges.
- Even if you don’t get a blue ribbon, you can learn a lot. Remember the goal is not to get a grand champion or even a blue ribbon, but to learn something.
- For 4-H Building projects, blue, red, white, participation, and class champion ribbons will be given out when projects are picked up. Grand Champion ribbons will be awarded at the Achievement Day Banquet.
- Exhibits must be kept in place until the time of exhibit release (unless special permission from the Pike County Extension Office and 4-H Council has been granted for a particular exhibit). All 4-H members who remove their exhibits before release time, without permission, will forfeit both premium money and ribbons.
After the Fair

- Pick up your projects! All 4-H Building projects may be picked up on Sunday, July 30th from 11am-2pm. If you can’t pick up your project, ask a family member, another 4-H family or your 4-H leader if they wouldn’t mind picking up your project. Ultimately, it is your responsibility to make sure your projects are picked up.
- 2023 4-H Achievement Day: Many awards, as well as premium money and auction checks, will be given out at the Achievement Banquet. Plan to attend! September 30th, 2023. More details to come!

**Information for Mini 4-H Members**

*(Applies to Members in Grades K-2 ONLY)*

**General Information**

- Check the “Mini Scoop” when completing your exhibits.
- If you have questions, ask your 4-H leader or call the Pike County Extension Office.
- Mini 4-H Livestock members will participate in the livestock shows. Be sure to check the schedule for specific times.
- Mini 4-H exhibitors will receive blue ribbons for participation. Mini 4-H do not receive premium money.
- Remember to pick up your projects! Mini 4-H projects may be picked up on Sunday, July 30th from 11am-2pm. If you can’t pick up your project, ask a family member, another 4-H family, or your 4-H leader if they wouldn’t mind picking up your project. Ultimately, it is your responsibility to make sure your projects are picked up.
- All Mini 4-H’ers will be recognized at the 2023 4-H Achievement Day Banquet. Plan to attend on September 30th!

**Mini 4-H Poster Pointers**

- Mini 4-H posters may be either 11x14 inches or 22x28 inches, the choice is yours! All posters must be displayed horizontally.
- Your exhibit tag must be in the lower right corner. Exhibit tags will be available during project check-in.
- All posters must have a stiff backing and must be securely covered with clear plastic.
- Make sure that your stiff poster back matches your poster’s dimensions exactly!

**Building Project Judging**

Building projects will be judged using the Danish System. Exhibits will be judged based upon a set of established standards of quality, and not against each other. The projects will be evaluated and arranged into groups based upon how closely the exhibits meet the established standard for that exhibit. The main evaluation groups are:

- **Blue Ribbon** = Excellent; exhibit most nearly meets the standard for that project.
- **Red Ribbon** = Good; general level is less than excellent or enough specific short-comings cause the placing to drop from “blue” to “red”.
- **White Ribbon** = Fair; exhibit is found lacking and rates only average or acceptable or enough specific short-comings cause the placing to drop from “red” to “white”
- **Green Ribbon** = Participation; awarded for projects that fail to meet a reasonable expectation in relation to the specific class in which they are entered. Commonly given to late project entries, exhibits that are completed at the incorrect level, and “white ribbon” projects that have enough short comings to drop one placing.
Grand Champion & State Fair Exhibits

Grand Champion
Grand Champion winners will be able to choose their fair award. Building Grand Champions may choose either a trophy or $10 cash. Grand Champion Choice Cards may be picked up and returned at the 4-H Building beginning the first night the 4-H Building is open to the public. Choice Cards must be completed and returned by Friday, July 28th @ 4:00 pm.

If no selection is made by the deadline, the default award will be $10 cash. Please note that no additional ribbon premium is awarded for Champion exhibits. The $10 cash prize is in lieu of a trophy.

Livestock Grand Champions
Select Grand Champions may choose their award. Grand Champion Choice Cards will be available at each livestock show, after winners have been announced.

Choice Cards must be completed and returned to an Extension staff member or Superintendent no later than Friday, July 28th @ 4:00 pm. If no selection is made by the deadline, the default award will be a trophy.

State Fair Exhibits
If your project has a State Fair sticker on it, congratulations! Be sure to check the State Fair rules to make sure your exhibit follows all of the project requirements. Indiana State Fair rules may be accessed on the Indiana State Fair website https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests/4-h-projects-entry-book

Our office delivers projects to the Indiana State Fairgrounds. However, if you have a large project, we ask that you take the project yourself. Contact the Extension Office if you are unsure if you need to take your State Fair project or not.

All State Fair projects, will be taken to the Indiana State Fair on July 31st. The Pike County Extension Office will take care of taking these projects.

Our office will pick up projects from State Fair. State Fair exhibits will be released Monday, August 21st. State Fair projects, ribbons and pins may be picked up at the Extension Office beginning on August 22nd. Please pick up your project(s) as soon as possible. Unclaimed State Fair projects will be discarded if not claimed by Achievement Day.

Fairgrounds Cleanup Days
All 4-H Exhibitors must attend Fairgrounds Cleanup Day to contribute to the upkeep and preparation of the 4-H Fairgrounds to help make the 2022 Pike County 4-H Fair a success! Any time that youth and their families are able to spend to help is appreciated. On Cleanup Day, please find Brooke, Mandy, or your 4-H Club leader to sign in so we know you came to help out!

Saturday, July 15: 7:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.
Sunday, July 30: 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
**PLEASE review the 2023 Pike County 4-H Scoop before bringing your 4-H projects to check-in at the Fair. *******

**Project Check-In**

This year all 4-H Static (Building) Projects will be checked in **Thursday, July 20 5PM-8PM or Friday, July 21 9AM-7PM.**

Make sure to bring all record sheets that are required for projects! Check your Scoop to see if record sheets are required. If you have any questions about the check-in process, reach out to Brooke Goble at bgoble5@purdue.edu or at 812-354-6838. Project judging will begin on Saturday, July 22nd and you will be able to find out what ribbon you received on Sunday, July 23rd when the Exhibit Building opens at 6PM.

**T-Shirts**

The Pike County 4-H Council is again graciously giving every 4-H Member:

- A Fair t-shirt
- FREE passes for the amphitheater events
- FREE parking passes

Be sure to pick up your t-shirts and passes during Fair Check-in (July 20 & 21).

*These items are for every member whether you participate in the fair or not.*

**Project Check-Out**

All 4-H Static Projects will be checked out on **Sunday, July 30th from 11AM-2PM.** If you are unable to pick up projects during this date or time, please let Brooke Goble (bgoble5@purdue.edu) know to make other arrangements. If your project was selected to go to State Fair, you will pick up those projects on a later date. More information will be coming out on a later date.

**2023 Indiana State Fair - 7/28—8/20**

The Indiana State Fair will be held July 28th through August 20th at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis. They are again planning to be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays this year. The livestock show schedule can be found here: [https://www.indianastatefair.com](https://www.indianastatefair.com) under the Competitions tab.
General Livestock Information

Livestock Exhibitor Meeting:
Saturday, July 15: 9:00 A.M.

This is REQUIRED for all Pike County Livestock Exhibitors. We will meet in the Arena and go over rules and expectations for the fair. Attendance will be taken.

Livestock Check-in: Sunday, July 23: 7:30-10:00 A.M.

All 4-H’s bringing livestock MUST call the office at (812) 354-6838 or e-mail Mandy (achannah@purdue.edu) to reserve a check-in time. A DVM with the Princeton Veterinary Hospital will be present at check-in and will be examining the animals.

- Livestock Superintendents will assign stalls for exhibitors.

Breakfast for 4-H Livestock Exhibitors:

Pike County Chamber of Commerce has partnered with several local businesses to provide a complimentary hot (and delicious!) breakfast for our 4-H Livestock Exhibitors who are out at the Fairgrounds early to take care of their animals. Breakfast will be served from 8:00-10:00 A.M. near the Arena on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday during Fair Week.

Please take time to thank these businesses:

- Farm Bureau Insurance with Dustin Schnarr
- Shelter Insurance with Sarah McCracken
- Home Building Savings Bank with Jessica Aldridge
- Petersburg Hardware with Robin Smith

Pike County Livestock Superintendents 2023

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Did You Get Hurt? Please report to your Superintendent or an Educator (Brooke or Mandy) if you were injured at the Pike County 4-H Fair. We need to fill out an Incident Report. You are all important to us and we want to ensure that you have a fun, safe filled Pike County 4-H Fair!
Open Class

Open Class Exhibits will be entered Saturday, July 22nd from 9:30am-11:30am. Entry in Open Class will be $1.00 per exhibit. Two different items per exhibitor may be exhibited in each subdivision. Classes will be divided into three age groups: 5 & under, 6-17, and 18 & over. Entry tags will be available during check-in. Every precaution will be taken to ensure safety of all articles, but in no case will the management be responsible for loss or injury to articles. Open Class check-out will be on Sunday, July 30th from 11am-2pm. If you are unable to pick up your projects during this time, please reach out to Brooke Goble at bgoble5@purdue.edu or 812-354-6838 to make other arrangements.

Gardening Division
All exhibits should be uniformly and properly labeled as to kind and recognized variety.
1: Beans: green or wax - 10 pods
2: Beans: shelled (navy, kidney, lima) - ½ pint
3: Beets with 1-inch tops - 3
4: Cabbage - 1 head
5: Corn: sweet, white or yellow - 3 ears
6: Cucumber: slicing, dill pickle - 3
7: Kohlrabi - 3
8: Okra - 3 pods
9: Papaya: any type - 3
10: Squash: any type including zucchini - 1
11: Tomatoes: any type - 3
12: Other

Herb Division
13: Fresh
14: Dried
15: Other

Canning Division
Label container with product, name, and date preserved. Product must be in proper canning jar such as Ball, Mason, or Kerr with lid and ring on tightly. Jars may be opened by judges.
16: Fruits
17: Vegetables
18: Jellies, jams, or preserves
19: Pickles and relishes [any style]
20: Honey

Baking and Food Division
21: Fruit and Nut Bread
22: Yeast Bread (Artisan Boule) or 4 Dinner Rolls
23: Muffins - exhibit 4
24: Cakes (Homemade - NO mixes)
25: Decorated Cakes (form or cake), judged by appearance only
26: Drop Cookies - exhibit 4
27: Bar Cookies - exhibit 4
28: Other Cookie
29: Fruit Pie (no cream pies)
30: Other

Needlework Division
31: Crocheting
32: Knitting
33: Embroidery and Crewel
34: Counted Cross Stitch
35: Bobbin Lace
36: Other

Quilt Division
Must be made by the exhibitor or can be the work of several people including the exhibitor.
37: Handmade
38: Machine Made
39: Baby Quilt
40: Applique
41: Quilt Block
42: Other

Clothing - Sewing Division
43: Children's Garments
44: Adult Garments
45: Costumes - Adult
46: Costumes - Children
47: Wearable Accessories
48: Other

Crafts Division
50: Ceramics
51: Doll Making
52: Doll Clothes
53: Wreaths
54: Handmade Toys
55: Wood or Metal Items
56: Door Decorations
57: Jewelry Items
58: Wall Hangings
59: Scrapbook (10 pg. or more)
60: Coloring Book Pages (one page)
61: Recycled Craft
62: Handmade Health or Beauty Products (soaps, etc.)
63: Other

Fine Arts Division - NO Kits
64: Oils & Acrylic
65: Watercolor
66: Other

Flower Division
67: Cut flowers (1-2 stems)
68: Flower Arranging (fresh or artificial)
69: Potted Plants

Photography Division
One picture any size OR a display no larger than 14"x22" with up to 5 pictures.
70: Black and White
71: Color
72: Sepia Tone
73: Other

Miscellaneous Division
74: Other
For the most up-to-date information and some fun surprises in between, please like our pages on Facebook!

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