

The LINK

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2022-2023 4-H Enrollment

If you haven't re-enrolled for 2022-2023, now is the time!

Enroll at: <https://v2.4honline.com>



MINI 4-H

The next Mini 4-H meeting will take place on Wednesday December 14th at 6pm in the Activities Building. Join us for Elf Training! We have lots of fun things planned for this holiday meeting! We can always use more volunteers, too! Email Taylor at tvanmet@purdue.edu if you can help!



Bring On
SUMMER!



We are looking for current college students to apply to be a 2023 Summer Intern with Purdue Extension- Vanderburgh County!



Contact Taylor at tvanmet@purdue.edu for an application or with any questions!



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Welcome

Please join us in welcoming our newest member of the Extension family, Tracy Shutt. She is an Administrative Assistant in our office. Stop by and say hello to Tracy!



National 4-H Conference

Attention 10-12 graders! The [National 4-H Conference application](#) is now available! National 4-H Conference is the annual premier national civic engagement opportunity for 4-H members across the country. Delegates will not only learn while at the conference, but will have the opportunity to practice and apply in a real world setting their newly developed and refined skills. Delegates choose an important societal topic and in round table groups prepare a briefing. It will be held on April 14-19, 2023 in Washington D.C.. One to four delegates will represent Indiana at National 4-H Conference. Due to recent sponsorship, cost is \$125. [LEARN MORE](#). **Due Dec 1.**



Vanderburgh County 4-H Spa & Relaxation Spark Club

What: Learn productive ways to de-stress and rejuvenate with a parent or caring adult

Who: 3rd-12th graders and adult partner

When: Monday December 19th, 2022, 10am-4pm

Where: EVPL Central, Browning Room
200 SE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Evansville

Cost: \$50 for non 4-H youth (includes 4-H membership) and \$30 for current 4-H youth and adults. Includes lunch and all supplies.

Register: Download the registration form at <https://tinyurl.com/4Hspa2022> and return with payment by December 9.

All youth are invited to attend with or without an adult partner.

Activities Include:

- *Stress Relievers
- *DIY Scrubs
- *Self Care Ideas
- *Meditation
- *Making healthy snacks
- *Much more!



COOKING AROUND THE WORLD

Cook your way through the world with this 4-H virtual experience! Learn about new cultures as instructors lead participants through hands-on recipes that can be made from the comfort of your own home.

When: Each Saturday from
Jan 21 - Feb 25

Time: 10-11 am CT

Who: Youth in grades 3-12

Where: Zoom

Cost: \$30

Register in 4-H Online by Jan 6
Questions? Email Megan Hoffherr
at mkron@purdue.edu



PACK YOUR BAGS!

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VANDEBURGH 4-H CENTER PRESENTS:

WINTER Carnival



Nov. 26th - Jan. 1st

Santa's
Workshop

Fridays & Saturdays
6 - 9 pm

Sundays
6 - 8 pm

Get in the holiday spirit at the 4-H Center! See the dazzling display of Christmas lights, fully decorated Christmas trees & other beautiful holiday decorations.

Santa's Workshop is FREE to the public.

Donations will be accepted.



Supper with Santa

Friday, December 2nd
6 - 8 pm

Vanderburgh 4-H Center Auditorium

\$5 per person (adults & children) Pay at the door upon entry.

Santa will be there along with games & crafts!

MENU:

Hamburgers | Hot Dogs | Chips | Applesauce | Drink | Homemade Cookies

\$5

4-H Trips

Are you in grades 7-12 and looking for a fun trip in 2023? Apply to attend a 4-H trip by **January 31, 2023**. Apply for Citizenship Washington Focus, 4-H Academy, 4-H Round-Up, 4-H Chorus, 4-H Band, or State Jr. Leader Conference! Trip fees are covered by generous sponsors of Evansville Kiwanis, Evansville Young Dairymen, Vanderburgh Co. Fair Association, Extension Homemakers, and 4-H Council. You can find the application and a description of each trip [here](#).

Please note - the dates for Round-Up, Band, and Chorus were recently changed and have been updated on the form.



Community Service Opportunity

The Boys & Girls Club offers a Christmas store for the children to earn “Santa Bucks” and then be able to shop for gifts that were donated for each family member in their household. Jr. Leaders have shopped and provided gifts for the store. The club needs our help as volunteers to help the kids “shop” and wrap their gifts. I can speak from experience before the pandemic when our family did this, this will be one of the most rewarding experiences you will have during the holidays. Please sign up to volunteer with Jenny Deutsch - (812) 431-1706 (call/text). Dates: **Tuesday, December 13, 4-7 pm** at Fulton Square (Our Fulton Clover 4-H Club is here) and **Friday, December 16, 4-7 pm** at Main Club on Bellemeade Avenue. - Jenny Deutsch



Camp is
June 5-7 in
Santa
Claus, IN

Be a Camp Counselor!

OPEN TO YOUTH IN
GRADES 9-12

SIGN UP IN 4-H
ONLINE BY FEB 15

Build your leadership skills and serve as a positive role model for younger youth by being a 4-H Counselor!



Applicants
will be
interviewed
in Feb/Mar

Camp is
June 5-7 in
Santa
Claus, IN

Apply to be a Camp Jr. Director!

NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR
10-12 GRADERS

SIGN UP ON CAMP
COUNSELOR APPLICATION
IN 4-H ONLINE BY FEB 15

Help plan and lead 4-H camp! You'll have camp counselor duties and additional planning and leadership duties to ensure a safe, educational, and fun camp!

Looking for a fun way to build leadership skills next summer? Apply to be a 4-H Camp Counselor! We also have new positions of Jr. Directors available. Jr. Directors will help plan and lead camp. It's a great opportunity! Find the role descriptions and instructions for applying [here](#).

4-H LIVESTOCK ONLINE AUCTION

All profits go directly to the Vanderburgh Livestock fund for future projects.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS



For for a complete list and pictures in advance go to <https://tinyurl.com/vandco4honlineauction>

DONATE NOW



**BEGINS AT 12 NOON
DECEMBER 5TH. BID BY
PLACING YOUR AMOUNT IN
THE COMMENTS. ENDS
DECEMBER 9TH AT 12 NOON.
AN INVOICE WILL BE SENT
TO WINNING BIDS.**

SUPPORT 4-H



Auction is located on the Vanderburgh Co 4-H Program Facebook page.

If you are not on Facebook give the office a call and we can bid for you.

Sorry, we are
CLOSED

Our office will be closed on the following days for holidays:

Friday, December 23

Friday, December 30

Monday, December 26

Monday, January 2



JANUARY
14
SATURDAY

4-H TECH CHANGEMAKERS *Training*

TEAMS ARE MADE UP OF YOUTH IN GRADES 8-11, WITH 3-5 YOUTH ON A TEAM. THE COST IS \$15 PER YOUTH MEMBER, YOUTH DO NOT HAVE TO BE A 4-H MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE.

The 4-H Tech Changemakers program allows youth the unique opportunity to explore the impact of the digital divide in their communities, learn high value digital skills, and provide adults with tools to expand their digital literacy skills.

To register, visit v2.4honline.com by Friday, January 6th.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 14TH
CHECK-IN @ 10AM
PROGRAM STARTS @ 10:30AM
THE MACHYNE:
1220 WATERWAY BLVD,
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204



Extension - 4-H Youth Development



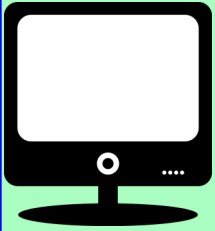
PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY:
LAND O' LAKES, inc. | Microsoft | TRACTOR SUPPLY CO. | verizon

If your youth requires special accommodations, please contact the Montgomery County Extension office at (765) 364-6363.

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Volunteer Updates!

Adult Volunteers need to re-enroll each year as a 4-H volunteer at <https://v2.4honline.com>. After you have updated your profile, you will have the opportunity to complete the following



trainings:

- Orientation to Indiana 4-H Youth Development
- Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and response and Guidelines for Youth Safety and Working with Minors
- Increasing Cultural Awareness and Equity in Extension Programs

These video trainings may be completed all at one time or at different times. **ALL trainings must be completed PRIOR to working with youth in the 4-H program.** If you'd prefer an in-person training, please let Megan know. As we begin a new 4-H program year, we ask you to join us in embracing values we all hold true in 4-H - those of integrity, respect, honor, inclusion, innovation, and growth. A letter and email was sent in October with more details.

4-H Junior Leader/Advisors
RETREAT RESOURCE WEBINAR
Monday, December 5th,
7-8:30pm (ET)

All County Jr. Leader officers and Jr. Leader Advisors are welcome to attend

Log on to:
<https://bit.ly/JrLdrOfficers>

Topic: Jr. Leader Officer Resources – learn about a variety of options to help Jr. Leader Officers gain skills they need to lead effectively at the county and area levels

Scan to join the webinar

Junior Leaders
INDIANA 4-H

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Head Leaders

It's time to begin setting up the 2023 Calendar. We **MUST** have a list of your meeting dates (with times and locations) to the Extension Office once you have your year planned out (if you haven't already). Your events won't be included in the LINK calendar if you do not share your information.

Thanks for your help!

Volunteers Wanted!



We're also looking for caring adults to serve as 4-H Superintendents for the following projects:

- Computer
- Entomology
- Model Crafts
- Geology
- Construction & Architectural Replica

Caring adults are also needed for 4-H Spark Clubs, short-term experiences on specific topics, such as Coding, Careers, Marketing, Welding, Baking, or Website Design, just to name a few! If you have a skill you're willing to share, you can lead a Spark Club!

If you or someone you know is interested in any of these opportunities, contact Megan Hoffherr at mkron@purdue.edu for details on how to apply.



2023 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship

Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

Accomplishment Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

Categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

Eligibility: Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.

Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

Awards: A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.

A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship, and a silver tray, will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

Additional scholarships may be awarded depending on sponsorship availability. The number of scholarships awarded in each category may be adjusted to meet special criteria of a particular sponsor.

Visit bit.ly/4hscholarship to download applications.

Applications due to County 4-H Educator January 25.

Contact your county's Purdue Extension Office to learn more.



Achievement Banquet

Congratulations to all the 4-H members and volunteer recognized at the 4-H Achievement Banquet. It was a wonderful evening celebrating the accomplishments of our 4-H family! If you received an award and weren't able to attend the Achievement Banquet, you may pick up your award at the Extension Office.



Junior Achievement Award Winners



Jackson Cherry
Breydon Curtis
Lilly Fee
Jarrett Keil



Senior Achievement Award Winners



Sydney Woodard
Reagan Koester



Special County 4-H Award Winners



Reagan Koester
Sydney Woodard
Not Pictured: Drew Early
& Caroline Bossman



Farm Bureau Achievement Award Winners



Dallas Bergman, Ridge Compton, Ireland Guetling,
Caitlin Kramer, Mikayla Lamey, Will Melton, Kiley
Standring, and Grace Temple
Not Pictured: Aubree Beyer, Emma Davidson, Jack
Hirsch, Joseph Knea, Isaac Luigs, Katherine Roemke,
Jaxton Trinh, & Clare Wisnoski

CONGRATULATIONS!

We recognize the following volunteers for their years of service to the Vanderburgh County 4-H program!



Bronze Clover – 1 Year of Service

Pictured: Amanda Deutsch, Douglas Bergman, Amanda Herrmann, Justin Reising, Mollie Standing

Not Pictured: Emma Brandt, Dennis Brenner, Sara Knea, Emily Orth, Alexandra Pulling, Kayla Sensmeier, Daniel Sweeney, JT Welte



Silver Clover – 5 Years of Service

Pictured: Tera Andrecht

Not Pictured: Kelsey Gerhardt, Kendra Gries, Kristina Hughes, Malia Lousignont, Natalie Westby, Laura Ziliak



Pearl Clover – 15 Years of Service

Pictured: Andrew Groening

Not Pictured: Cynthia Deig, Matthew Keil, Robin Lax



Gold Clover – 10 Years of Service

Pictured: Timothy Pohl

Not Pictured: Kelly Bobbitt, Emily Jackson, Jeremy Stotlar



Diamond Clover – 20 Years of Service

Pictured: Mark Deutsch

Not Pictured: Roger Angermeier



Emerald Clover – 25 Years of Service

Pictured: Laurie Thomas

Not Pictured: Chris Lantaff

Diamond Clover – 40 Years of Service: Doris Goebel

Thank you for your service!





Hosted by
Purdue Extension
and Indiana 4-H

Open to all students
in Grades 9-12!



1

Online Safety/Social Media

Jan 17

This session will focus on the Social Media Dos and Don'ts. Participate in an activity as if interacting with a real live hacker!

2

Budgeting

Jan 24

Money, Money, Money! Learn how to manage taxes and credit, make smart investments and start thinking about financial decisions for your future.

3

Self Care & Mental Health

Jan 31

Learn how to manage stress, stay motivated, and the importance of goal setting in our everyday busy lives!

4

Food Preparation & Safety

Feb 7

This topic will focus on food preparation basics (measuring, abbreviations, substitutions, etc.), meal planning and grocery shopping, food and kitchen safety, and recipe preparation. Learn how to prepare a simple recipe and receive items that will be helpful in recipe preparation!

5

Home Care

Feb 14

Learn how to organize and manage a household! Discover tips and tricks on how to maintain everyday activities such as laundry and cleaning, while also learning how to handle emergency situations.

6

Etiquette & People Skills

Feb 21

Join this session to learn how to navigate people skills! Discover how to handle awkward situations, how to properly eat at the dinner table, and the importance of communication.

7

Auto Care

Feb 28

As a driver, there is lots to know besides just the rules of the road! Learn all about car maintenance, what to do in an accident, and different insurance options.

8

Celebration!

March 7

Registration Information

All sessions will be held via Zoom and start at 6pm central/7pm eastern and will last for an hour. To register go to v2.4honline.com and after creating (or signing in) to your profile you will find the Life Lessons program in the events tab. Select the program and continue through the registration process.

The registration deadline is January 6th so sign up today!

This program has a \$30 registration fee that covers the cost of all provided material, content, and supplies that will be sent to registrants. Scholarships/Financial Assistance is available. Contact Purdue Extension – Hendricks County at 317-745-9260 or email hendrces@purdue.edu for details on how to register with Financial Assistance.



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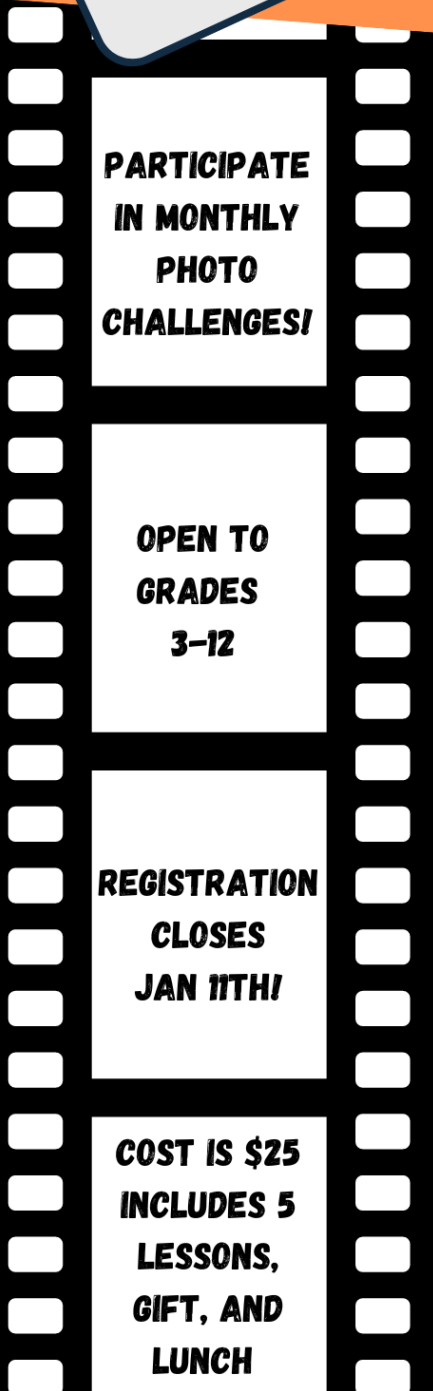
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PHOTOGRAPHY

SPARK CLUB



**PARTICIPATE
IN MONTHLY
PHOTO
CHALLENGES!**

**OPEN TO
GRADES
3-12**

**REGISTRATION
CLOSES
JAN 11TH!**

**COST IS \$25
INCLUDES 5
LESSONS,
GIFT, AND
LUNCH**

**Jan
18
Feb
15
March
15
April
19
M**

**6-7:30 PM CT/
7-8:30 PM ET**

Virtual Workshops

Learn all about photography tips and tricks from experts! On the third Wednesday from January to April join us for virtual photography lessons ranging in topics. Learn skills in editing, social media, photography careers, how to prepare your exhibit for the fair and more!

10 AM - 2 PM In Person Workshop

**April
15**

Join us for a day of interactive learning from photography professionals! Participate in activities that are guaranteed to sharpen your photography skills and SPARK your interest. Location TBD, lunch will be provided.

*Location in southern or central Indiana
Register on 4honline!*

For more information reach out to your county educator.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

It is the policy of the 4-H program that if school has been cancelled or released early, all 4-H events are also cancelled. Please note - virtual meetings/events can still be held. County-wide activity cancellations will be posted on the Vanderburgh County 4-H Program Facebook page.

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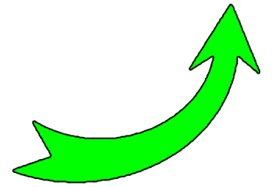
An Indiana 4-H Podcast

FOR INFORMATION:
extension.purdue.edu/4h



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Check out this month's Clover Call podcast [here](#) featuring our very own 4-H Alumnae, Amanda Deutsch and Kylie Bedel. Amanda and Kylie talk about their participation in Indiana 4-H, 4-H Scholarships they have earned, 4-H Ambassadors, State 4-H Junior Leader Conference and Council, and Collegiate 4-H. Way to go ladies!



December 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:00 Jr. Leaders	2 Supper with Santa	3
4	5	6 Armstrong Hi-Lighters Holiday Party	7 4-H Adult Leader/ Council Party	8	9 Jr. Leader Holiday Party	10
11	12 Centerrific Officer Election Night	13 German Gems Holiday Party	14 6:00 Mini 4-H	15	16	17
18	19 Spa & Relaxation Spark Club 6:00 Scott Achievers	20	21	22	23 Office Closed— Holiday	24
25 	26 Office Closed— Holiday	27	28	29	30 Office Closed— Holiday	31