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We hope everyone is recovering and taking some time for themselves after the county fair. We had around 1,800 exhibit hall projects and **850 animals!** We were excited to see all of the hard work our 4-Hers put into their projects this year.

Some of you are preparing for the state fair! You can find directions for project drop off and pick up in the following pages. For everyone else, it is hard to believe it is over. Now it's time to prepare for next year! As a reminder, **4-H Enrollment for 2026 will be opening up on October 1!** Get signed up early so you can stay up to date on everything happening! Also, you can start on your projects for next year now!

Don't miss our Junior Leader Back to School Brunch Fundraiser on August 24th! We will be serving brunch at the fairgrounds from 10 am to 1 pm. Adults \$10 and Children \$5. Come out and support our Junior Leaders who will be preparing the food!

We would appreciate any feedback you have for us from fair. Please take a few minutes to fill out this survey: <https://forms.gle/nvjFag8A1JCiXRcF8>

Last, we would like to thank everyone who stepped up before, during and after the County Fair to help. It was greatly appreciated and we could not have done it without your help. Thank you for your dedication, hard work, and passion for this program. You are making a huge difference in the lives of our 4-Hers! THANK YOU!

All the best, Rebecca, Stephenie, and Erin



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News for Everyone

Projects selected for State Fair

Letters were handed out during the awards ceremony at fair. If you missed the letter, we will be emailing them out again this week. For all projects except garden and foods, please drop your projects off to the extension office between July 21-25 from 8am to 4:30 pm. If you have a very large, heavy, or fragile exhibit, we ask that you transport it yourself. For cakes, models, floriculture, and other fragile exhibits, please feel free to package your project appropriately for transportation. If you have questions please reach out. The vehicle will be leaving at 9 am on July 28th.

Food and garden items can be dropped off to the office July 31st and August 1 during business hours and then on the 3rd between 4 and 6 pm. Canned, frozen, and preserved items can be dropped off the week prior but we recommend fresh products be dropped off morning of. If you plan to drop off on the 4th, please make sure you are here before 9:30 am!!! Please make sure a recipe card is attached. Rebecca will provide coolers for food items. If you plan to take your own food or garden project please email Rebecca. We will need to send you a parking pass.

***Please read the rules for your specific project to ensure all necessary sheets and components are attached. For example, if you completed a sewing project, you will need to attach a skills card. Failure to do so will result in points being deducted. If you have questions please feel free to reach out to the office.**

All projects will be picked up on August 18th. You may come to the office starting August 19th to pick up your ribbons and projects. Please pick up all projects by August 29th!

STATE FAIR TICKETS

We have received state fair tickets in the office. Youth will have priority and will receive 2 tickets if they have a state fair entry. All approved adult volunteers are eligible for 1 ticket. Tickets can be picked up at the Extension Office During Business Hours.

THANK YOUR SPONSORS!

Please be sure to thank your sponsors and let them know you truly appreciate their support. If you lost the sticker with the donor, please reach out. We do expect a thank you note for each award you received during fair. Thank you!



4-H Board Members Needed

If you are interested in running for a position on the 4-H board during the Fall Annual Meeting in December, please contact the Extension Office to indicate your interest, or get more information.

The 4-H Board consists of 18 Members, with 3 of those being appointed Youth, who meet 12 times a year to oversee the 4-H program in Allen County. We are looking for adults and youth to join the board as there will be numerous openings. Please note that you need to be an approved 4-H volunteer to serve on the board.

For current members: To be a voting member for 2024-2025 you need to complete your training on 4-H online before October 7th. Thank you.





LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

State Fair Entry Books and Information

The 2025 Indiana State Fair Entry Books have been posted here: <https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/livestock-new/4-h-competitions-entry-information> Please refer to the book for information regarding participation at the state fair.

Please make sure you take a physical copy of your QLC or YQCA certificate to check in. If you need another copy of your QLC certificate, please email Rebecca.

Also, please watch your emails as state has made changes to grooming assistance, premiums, and other livestock related items. Please email if you have questions.

2025 Allen County Livestock Executive Committees

Listed below are your executive committee members for each specie. If you feel that I missed someone please reach out at rcclay@purdue.edu. If you would still like to be on a committee, except swine, please email me and I will send an application to you. Thank you.

Beef

- Ryan Ott

Dairy

- Cindy Berning
- Melissa Berning

Dairy Beef

- Youth-Kyleigh Cripps
- Olivia Clark
- Steve Clark

Dairy Goat

- Beth Wood
- Amy Kenseth
- Tate Bonin

Dog

- Cody Brake
- Grace Johnson
- Sarah Kuntz

Meat Goat

- Roger Clark
- LJ Freed
- Jill Bonin

Llama

- Rita Simmons
- Deb Roth
- Youth-Cash Robinson Stewart

Poultry

- None yet

Rabbit

- Mindy Flesher
- Jennifer Malcolm
- Heather Brown

Sheep

- Robert Reider

Swine

- Liz Chaffee
- Amy DeBolt
- Ryan Harrell
- Greg Kneubuhler



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 2025

4 Extension Office Closed-4th of July
15 Horse and Pony Leader Meeting 7-9 pm @CEO
21-25 State fair project drop off 8 am- 4:30 pm
@CEO (all projects except food and garden)



**2025 Indiana
State Fair
August 1—17**

August 2025

July 31-Aug 1 Drop off Foods projects for State Fair @CEO
3 Drop of Foods projects for SF-4—6 pm @CEO
Awards Committee (look for email)
Curriculum Committee (look for email)
Exhibit Committee (look for email)
Shooting Sports Fall Planning (look for email)
19- 29 Pick up State Fair Projects, 8 am-4:30 pm @CEO
19 Horse & Pony Leader Meeting 7-9 pm @CEO
24-Junior Leaders Breakfast Brunch Fundraiser @FG 10 am—1 pm (No meeting in July!!!)

September 2025

1 Extension Office Closed—Labor Day
2 4-H Board Meeting 7pm @CEO
16 Horse & Pony Leaders 7-9 pm @CEO
30 Junior Leader Meeting 6-8pm @CEO

CEO = County Extension Office
FG's = Fairgrounds
Subject to Change

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025

SHOWMAN OF SHOWMEN

Holly Howard-winner
Kyleigh Cripps
Kaydance Cripps
Kreigh Emenhiser
Hailey King
Landen King
Merek Malcolm
Ava Scheiderer
Logan Young



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Have photos to share from the fair? We would love to see them! Please feel free to email Stephenie, Erin, or Rebecca with a few of your favorites!

