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Happy fall! With fall brings a new year of enrollment! 4-H online is officially open. Please remember to register ASAP if you are planning to attend club meetings and other events in the next few months. We want to make sure you are covered through our insurance.

Join us on Sunday, October 12th from 1-3 pm for our enrollment kickoff party at the Allen County Extension Office. Families can enroll both youth and volunteers on the spot. The event will feature food, games, and even a chance to see some animals, so be sure to RSVP to guarantee your spot. You'll also have the opportunity to meet club leaders, explore a variety of 4-H projects, and learn how your family can get involved in a year full of fun, friendship, and growth with 4-H! RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/3ftkUepxWwaCQydb7>

We have some fun events coming up. If you are in grades 7-12, our junior leaders will be throwing a fall themed party with snacks, games, pumpkin painting, and much more! Join us on October 28th at the Extension Office from 6:30 to 8 pm. Bring your friends!

As we enter a new year, we are working on our website and rules book. As you work on your projects, feel free to continue using the previous years rules. Most of the changes will occur with the live animal projects. Please reach out if you have questions. It is not too soon to start working on your projects!

Thank you, Erin, Kacy and Stephenie

Fond farewell: Thank you everyone for making my time in 4-H memorable and fun! Keep up the amazing work in the new year and be proud of everything you do. -Rebecca

4-H INFORMATION

4-H Enrollment Kick-Off

Enjoy a fun-filled day with tasty food, exciting games, and a chance to meet some animals. Best of all—you can enroll on the spot and for a chance to win a prize!

Come discover all that 4-H has to offer—explore a variety of projects, connect with club leaders, and meet our board members.

Whether you're a youth ready to jump into new adventures or a volunteer looking to make a difference, this is the perfect time to join in!

RSVP: <http://bit.ly/3HGxBhg>

Where: Allen County Extension Office,
4001 Crescent Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46815

When: October 12th

Time: 1-3pm (open house style)



An RSVP is strongly recommended to ensure we purchase enough food. However, if you did not RSVP, we would still love for you to join us. Invite your friends and neighbors!

Enroll Today!

Open enrollment for youth and volunteers is officially open! As a reminder, there is an annual \$15 state program fee for youth in grades 3-12. Mini 4-Hers are free to enroll. If you are going to pay by check, please make sure to make checks payable to Purdue University.

For returning volunteers, you will have 1 training video to watch. These videos rotate every year. If you are enrolling as a new volunteer, please ensure to select "New Volunteer." When you enroll, you will have to select a volunteer type. There will be a diagram when you get to this step. Please select the type that most describes you.

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



New 4-H Board Members Needed!!

Its time again to vote in new board members. If you are interested in applying for a position during the Annual Meeting in December, fill out an application found on the Allen County 4-H website: [Here](#)

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.

Their Mission: Young people in Allen County need creative informal learning opportunities to develop basic life skills. Allen County 4-H Clubs, Inc. bonds families, community and businesses to provide leadership, activities, incentives and support for young people to develop these skills by utilizing various resources of the Cooperative Extension Service.

NOTE: All Board Members must be approved volunteers!!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



October 2025



1 4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT OPENS FOR MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS

5 Archery Classes, Beginners 12-1:30
Advanced 2-3:30@FG's
7 4-H Rule change board meeting 7pm@CEO
11 Nature Navigators 10pm@ Ouabache State Park
12 Enrollment Kick-Off Party 1-3pm @ CEO
12 Archery Classes, Beginners 12-1:30
Advanced 2-3:30@FG's
15 Horse & Pony Leaders Meeting 7pm@CEO
15 .22 Rifle Orientation @Concordia 6:30pm (see back)
19 Archery Classes, Beginners 12-1:30
Advanced 2-3:30@FG's
26 Archery Classes, Beginners 12-1:30
Advanced 2-3:30@FG's
28 Jr Leaders Halloween Open House 6:30pm@CEO

November 2025

4 4-H Board Meeting 7pm@CEO
15 Nature Navigators 10pm@ Salamonie
26-28 CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY

December 2025

2 4-H Board Annual Meeting 6:30pm @FG
24-26 CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY



January 2025

1 CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY
6 4-H Board meeting 7pm @CEO
17 Nature Navigators 10pm@ Pokagon

Join the Junior Leaders for a spooktacular Halloween Open House Party Tuesday, October 28th from 6:30–8:00 PM at the Allen County Extension Office. Youth in grades 7–12 are invited to enjoy an evening of fun with games, pumpkin painting, crafts, and food. This is a great chance to learn more about the Junior Leaders Club, meet new friends, and see how you can get involved. Costumes are welcome (but not required), and families are encouraged to come along.

SAVE THE DATE!!
Allen County 4-H Fair
June 23-28, 2026

Follow us on Facebook We share pictures, important information, and workshop flyers on our page! Allen County Indiana 4-H: <https://www.facebook.com/AllenCounty4H>

Have photos to share ? We would love to see them! Please feel free to email allences@purdue.edu with a few of your favorites!



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CEO = County Extension Office
FG's = Fairgrounds
All dates subject to change



.22 Rifle Fall 2025

Everyone in grades 4-12 is welcome!

\$15 annual 4-H program fee
(If you are not a current 4-H member)

The discipline fee has been graciously
covered by Whitetails Unlimited.

Thank you for your support.

Workshop Dates:

October 15, 22, 29
November 5, 12, 19, 26
December 3, 10, 17
Time: 6:30-8:30 PM

Workshop Location:

Concordia Lutheran High
School Shooting Range
1601 St. Joe River Drive
Fort Wayne IN

Enroll Here!

<http://bit.ly/4pPzA3Z>



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Learn About:

- Safe handling of firearms, proper use of equipment, shooting techniques, and ethics.
- Instructors are certified through the Indiana 4-H Shooting Sports Program of Purdue University and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.
- Materials, Ammunition, and equipment furnished.
- Parent or guardian: please plan to stay for the entire first meeting.
- Materials, Ammunition and equipment furnished.

Thanks to: Friends of the NRA for their grant in support of the Allen County 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

Workshop must have a minimum of 14 registrations to run and a maximum of 22

Interested in being a 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor or workshop volunteer? Please email allences@purdue.edu or call 260-481-6826



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