

# 4-H FAMILY FORUM

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\*The Positive Development of Youth: Comprehensive Findings from the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development, 2013. <http://www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/positive-youth-development-study/>

4-H youth are **3.4 times** more likely to actively contribute to their communities.

**VOLUNTEER**

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Girls in 4-H are **2X** more likely to plan to pursue science careers.

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## Thoughts from your educator...

“This is a new year. A new beginning. And things will change.” –Taylor Swift

It is human nature to resist change. All of us enjoy the familiarity and comfort we have when things remain unchanged, and when change occurs we become uncomfortable. I think it is safe to say most of us are creatures of habit. I, too, do not always welcome change. I am the person that has my favorite meal at a restaurant and when an item is removed from the menu it is hard for me to find a “new favorite”. As I’ve gotten older, I have had to adapt to change within our family. With the addition of family members (whom I love), traditions have changed. And while these changes are not easy, change is necessary.

The Bartholomew County 4-H program has experienced many changes since its beginning and we will continue to change. Change allows us to grow and adapt. While individually we may not benefit, we must remember that all changes are made with the desire to have a positive impact on the entire 4-H program.

As the 4-H Educator my door is always open to listen to your thoughts and concerns. As I often share, nothing is permanent in 4-H, but we must try before writing changes off completely. Each year, we ask for feedback, and we truly consider this feedback as we move forward into the next year. We welcome your thoughts and concerns. Thank you for the support you give our youth and the 4-H program. We are better because of you!

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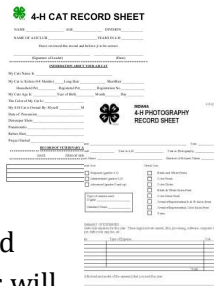
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The Bartholomew County 4-H Scholarship packet is available on our website at <https://extension.purdue.edu/bartholomew/article/31336>. Many scholarships available to seniors involved in the 4-H program are included in this packet. Each scholarship has different requirements, and deadlines for some scholarships are approaching quickly! Be sure to pay attention to the scholarship deadlines and where scholarships should be submitted. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office.



**Record Sheets are now available through our website!**



It can be a challenge to make it in to the Extension Office to get your yearly record sheets. For your convenience, 4-H members can now find all county and state project record sheets on our website. While these documents will continue to be available at our office, you may now take advantage of printing these documents at home.

Head to our Purdue Extension Bartholomew County website and look for the article *4-H Project Record Sheets* or follow the link below.

<https://extension.purdue.edu/bartholomew/article/31288>



**4-H Reminders**

4-H Enrollment is **NOT COMPLETE** until the \$20 Program Fee has been paid.

Add or Drop dates for 4-H projects is **May 15th**.

If showing animals, please turn to pages 3-6 for further information.



Join Lauren Peightel, Indiana Historical Society, for a Genealogy Workshop

Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 P.M.

Purdue Extension—Bartholomew County Office



Youth ages 3 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are encouraged to join us monthly for crafts and activities. Adventure Days are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month from 9:00—11:00 a.m. in the Community Room at the Extension Office. Set up in an open house setting, we ask that an adult be present with the child.

Upcoming Adventure Days will be held:

**February 2**

**March 2**

**April 6**

**May 4**



## JUNIOR LEADERS

DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND FOCUSING ON SERVICE LEARNING AND FELLOWSHIP

Junior Leaders is a club designed to provide members with the opportunity to learn about the qualities needed to be a leader. Any 4-H member in 7th– 12th grade is welcome to join us at the next meeting. Junior Leader meetings are generally held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, unless there is a scheduling conflict (holiday, school break, etc.). Below is a list of meeting dates for 2019:

**February 18**

**May 20**

**March—TBA**

**June—TBA**

**April 22**



Green Record Books have been graded and are ready to be picked up from your club leader.

### NEW PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

#### *Cupcake Decorating*

Cupcake decorating allows youth to show skills in creativity and originality. While the state project cake decorating follows a more formal approach with achieving set skills each year, cupcake decorating is about visual presentation. Depending on exhibitors level, cupcakes could be decorated individually, or as a theme. All items that are to be used on the cupcake must be edible. So this means experimenting with a lot of different candies! If you are interested in this project, be sure to add it to your project list on 4hOnline. More information on this project will be available in the 2019 Family Handbook.



### Beginner Livestock Exhibitor Meetings

Every 4-H member that is enrolled in a 4-H livestock project for the first time is **REQUIRED** to attend one of two Beginner Livestock Exhibitor meetings. These meetings will be held Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. Both meetings will be held at the Extension Office and start at 6:30 p.m. At these meetings, important information will be shared about identification of animals, deadlines, health and selection of livestock. Again, if you are a beginner livestock exhibitor you **MUST** attend one of the Beginner Livestock Exhibitor meetings.



# LIVESTOCK CHECKLIST



Please use this helpful checklist to ensure you are ready to show your animal(s) at the 2019 Bartholomew County 4-H Fair and the 2019 Indiana State Fair.



## **Register for 4-H/Pay Program Fee**

Go to [in.4honline.com](http://in.4honline.com) and sign up for 4-H. 4-H program fees should be paid within a timely manner (within two weeks of enrollment). Those who have not paid by the May 15 deadline will be unable to register animals in 4hOnline & FairEntry, and therefore unable to exhibit at the county fair.



## **Add your animals to the 4hOnline system**

Animal information should be double checked after entry. Information deadline dates:

Steers: Midnight, April 1

Beef Heifers, Dairy, Dairy Starter Calves, Goats, Sheep, Swine: Midnight, May 15



## **ID Day Dates:**

Beef: Saturday, February 9; 9:00-11:00 AM, Livestock Barn

Starter Calf: Tuesday, April 2; 6:00-7:30 PM, Livestock Barn

Sheep: Wednesday, May 1, 6:00-7:30 PM, Little Hands, Pavilion

Goats: Thursday, May 2, 6:00-7:30 PM, Little Hands, Pavilion



## **YQCA**

Verify when your certification expires. You must show valid proof of certification at Livestock Packet Pick up. If it is NOT valid through the 2019 Bartholomew County 4-H Fair, you may elect to recertify online or in a instructor led class. See page 5 for more information about YQCA.



## **Pen Request Form**

Pen Request forms will be mailed out to livestock members after the May 15 deadline has occurred. The Pen Request Form will need to be returned to the Extension Office by June 7, 2019, no later than 4:30 PM. Remember, DO NOT inflate requested number of pens for tack pens.



## **State Fair Entry**

If you intend on showing at the Indiana State Fair, you will need to register your animals through the Indiana State Fair website. The earlier you enroll, the cheaper the entry fees. Deadline for enrollment is July 1. DNA samples for Beef and Swine need to be turned in to the Extension Office no later than May 15. *Please note: The Extension Office does not have access to any State Fair entry records. All queries or changes will need to be made through the website or by contacting the Indiana State Fair.*

# YQCA

## YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

This educational program will allow 4-H members to learn about the importance of animal-wellbeing, quality assurance practices, and their part in the food production system. All 4-H members enrolled in Beef, Dairy, Dairy Starter Calves, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine must complete the YQCA program annually in order to exhibit livestock at the Bartholomew County 4-H Fair and/or the Indiana State Fair.

Bartholomew County 4-H members are asked to complete YQCA by May 15, 2019. YQCA can be completed via the online module or by attending an in-person training. To sign up for in-person training, or to take the online certification training, head to [www.yqca.org](http://www.yqca.org). Click “sign in/register” at the top right corner and select sign in with 4HOnline. DO NOT sign in as an independent user. (See correct login selection below.) Once you have completed the training, you should print your certification. Select the training that was completed. There should be a small star towards the top. It will give you the option to print. You must show proof of completion at packet pick-up.



In-person trainings will be held according to the following schedule:

Date:	Time:	Location:
Wednesday, February 6, 2019	6:30 PM	Purdue Extension—Bartholomew Co. Community Room
Tuesday, February 19, 2019	6:30 PM	Purdue Extension—Bartholomew Co. Community Room
Thursday, March 7, 2019	6:30 PM	Purdue Extension—Bartholomew Co. Community Room
Wednesday, April 3, 2019	6:30 PM	Purdue Extension—Bartholomew Co. Community Room
Thursday, May 9, 2019	6:30 PM	Purdue Extension—Bartholomew Co. Community Room

No instructor led trainings will be held after May 9th and class size is limited to 50 participants. Do not wait until the last minute to sign up to attend YQCA! If you have any questions, regarding YQCA please contact the Extension Office at 812-379-1665.



## 4-H Livestock Identification and Enrollment

Please mark your calendars for the following animal ID dates:

Beef	Saturday, February 9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00—11:00 a.m.
Starter Calf	Tuesday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00—7:30 p.m.
Sheep	Wednesday, May 1 <sup>st</sup>	6:00—7:30 p.m.
Goat	Thursday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00—7:30 p.m.

Each species will receive a letter that will include information about ID days, an ID worksheet, location form, and instructions on how to complete the livestock enrollment at [in.4honline.com](http://in.4honline.com). All livestock enrollment will be completed online, with the exception of Rabbit and Poultry.

Attending the livestock ID date **DOES NOT** enroll your livestock. Enrollment of livestock must be completed at [in.4honline.com](http://in.4honline.com) by the following dates:

**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Beef & Dairy Beef Steers**

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Starter Calves, Heifers, Sheep, Goat, Horse & Pony, Swine**

Enrollment **MUST** be done online **NO LATER** than 12 midnight of the listed date.

Poultry and rabbit enrollment papers must be submitted to the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, please give the office a call at 812-379-1665. Failure to complete the livestock enrollment process by the above deadlines may result in your 4-H member not being permitted to exhibit at the Bartholomew County Fair and/or the Indiana State Fair.

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### Livestock Showing Amounts

As previously announced there are new guidelines for the number of animals each 4-H member may exhibit starting with the 2019 Bartholomew County 4-H Fair. It is important to point out that this is **NOT** a limit on the number of animals that you may enroll in 4hOnline, it is just the maximum number that may be exhibited at the Bartholomew County Fair.

Each 4-H member may exhibit the following:

**Beef**—maximum of 4 beef animals per gender (i.e. 4 beef steers, 4 heifers, 4 dairy steers, 4 starter calves)

**Dairy**—maximum of 5 heifers and 3 cows

**Goat**—maximum of 10 goats, limit of 2 goats per class

**Poultry**—may have 2 entries per class, maximum of 16 birds

**Rabbit**—2 rabbits per class, 1 meat pen, and 1 each of the following: roaster, stewer, & fryer; maximum of 20 rabbits

**Sheep**—maximum of 10 sheep

**Swine**—maximum of 4 hogs

# NEW 4-H FAMILY ORIENTATION



4-H Youth Development Extension Educator, Elisabeth Smith, will share experiences in 4-H, offer tips for how to succeed as a 4-H family, help you understand the 4-H rules and paperwork, and answer your questions about 4-H.

The information shared will be the same at both meeting. Choose the one that works the best for your schedule.

**Tuesday, February 5th &  
Thursday, April 18th**

**6:30 PM**

**783 S MARR RD**

**COLUMBUS, IN 47201**

Questions? Call Purdue Extension—Bartholomew County  
at 812-379-1665, or e-mail [smit1664@purdue.edu](mailto:smit1664@purdue.edu).

**PURDUE EXTENSION**

Southeast Indiana

# Judges & Leaders' Clinic

Saturday, February 23, 2019

10:00am-3:15pm

Registration from 9:30-10am



Purdue Extension- Bartholomew County Office  
783 S Marr Road  
Columbus, IN 47201

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch and materials)

Registration Due by February 8, 2019 on <https://in.4honline.com>

Visit our website, [bit.ly/INJLClinic](http://bit.ly/INJLClinic) for instructions on how to register.

Purdue Extension is offering a hands-on opportunity for Southeast Indiana Judges and Leaders to enhance or develop their skills to be a Judge or Volunteer for Indiana 4-H. This clinic is ideal for tenured and beginning Judges and Leaders. Topics will include:

- Working with Passionate Families
- Helping Youth Communicate their Message (Posters, Demonstrations, & More)
- Fun STEM for your Meetings
- Constructive Judging Feedback for All Levels

Topics will cover both Livestock and Exhibit Hall Projects. Judges will be placed on a *Preferred Judges' List* for Southeast Indiana 4-H.

This clinic is made possible with sponsorship from



For questions, contact Purdue Extension-Lawrence County at  
812-275-4623 or email Lesley at [lodmell@purdue.edu](mailto:lodmell@purdue.edu)

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**STRENGTHENING**  
*Families* PROGRAM  
FOR PARENTS AND YOUTH 10-14

**ALL FAMILIES HAVE STRENGTHS. THIS FREE PROGRAM WILL HELP YOUR FAMILY BECOME EVEN STRONGER!**

For Parents and Youth ages 10-14, help your family learn to manage emotions, set goals, avoid peer pressure, make better decisions, and create better relationships.

**TUESDAYS, MARCH 26TH, APRIL 2ND, 9TH,  
16TH, 23RD, 30TH, & MAY 7TH**

**5:30 - 8:00 PM**

**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE**

**783 S MARR RD**

**COLUMBUS, IN 47201**

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

**TO REGISTER, CALL 812.379.1665 BY MARCH 19TH**

**PURDUE EXTENSION**

Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action university. If you have special needs, please call 812-379.1665.

# FEBRUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			30 Whitecreek Needlers, White Creek Lutheran School, 6 PM	31	1	2 Adventure Day, 9-11 AM, Ext. Office
3	4 Jr. Leader Officer Meeting, Ext. Office, 5:15 PM	5 New 4H Family Orientation, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office.; Kiddin Around, Fairgrounds, 7 PM	6 YQCA, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office	7 Sandcreek Starz, 6 PM, Shoaf's	8	9 Beef ID Day, Fairgrounds 9 AM; Happy H'ers, 3 PM, Col. Reformed Presbyterian
10	11 Happy Faces, Burnsville Church 6:30 PM; SRC, Arnholt's, 7 PM	12 Bunny Bunch, Fairgrounds, 6 PM	13 Tractor Meeting, 6:30 PM, Arnholts	14 Happy Go Luckies, 7 PM, Oliverio's; Circle C Horse & Pony, Fairgrounds 6:30 PM	15 Totally Awesome, 4:30 PM, Armstrongs	16 Feathered Friends, 8 AM, Statewide 4-H Poultry Workshop Fairgrounds
17	18 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7 PM, Ext. Office	19 YQCA, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office	20 Clover Kids, Hope Moravian, 7 PM; Tractor Meeting, 6:30 PM, Arnholts	21	22	23
24	25 Beginner Livestock, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office	26	27 Tractor Meeting, 6:30 PM, Arnholts	28 Feathered Friends, Fairgrounds, 6:30 PM		

# MARCH 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Adventure Days, Ext. Office 9-11AM
3 Circle C Horse & Pony Tack Auction, fairgrounds	4 Jr. Leader Officer Meeting, Ext. Office 5:15 PM; Happy Faces, Burnsville Christian Church, 6:30 PM; SRC, Burnsville Christian Church 7 PM	5 Kiddin Around Goat club, Fairgrounds 7 PM	6	7 YQCA, Ext. Office, 6:30 PM	8 Totally Awesome, 4:30 PM, Armstrongs,	9 Happy H'ers, Columbus Reformed Presbyterian, 3 PM
10	11	12 Bunny Bunch, Family Arts, 6 PM	13 Clover Kids, Hope Moravian Church, 7 PM	14 Happy Go Luckies, Oliverios, 7 PM	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Indiana Historical Society Genealogy Workshop, 7 PM, Ext. Office	26	27 4H Volunteer Meeting, Ext. Office, 7 PM	28 Feathered Friends, Fairgrounds, 6:30 PM	29	30
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# APRIL 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Jr. Leader Office Meeting, Ext. office, 5:15 PM	2 Kiddin' Around, Family Arts, 7 PM; Starter Calf ID Day, 6PM, Fairgrounds	3 YQCA, Ext. Office, 6:30 PM	4 Beginner Livestock, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office	5	6 Adventure Days, Ext. Office, 9-11 AM
7	8 Happy Faces, Burnsville Christian Church, 6:30 PM; SRC, Sandcreek Cons. Club 7 PM	9 Bunny Bunch, Comm. Bldg, 6 PM	10	11 Circle C, Fairgrounds, 6:30 PM; Happy Go Luckies, Oliverios, 7 PM	12	13 Happy H'ers, Columbus Reformed Presbyterian, 3 PM
14	15	16	17	18 New 4H Family Orientation, Ext. office 6:30 PM	19	20
21	22 Jr. Leader Meeting 7PM Ext. Office	23	24 Clover Kids, Hope Moravian 7 PM	25 Feathered Friends, Comm Bldg, 6:30 PM	26 Totally Awesome, 4:30 PM, Armstrong's	27
28	29	30				

# MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Sheep ID Day, 6 PM, Fairgrounds	2 Goat ID Day, 6 PM, Fairgrounds	3	4 Feathered Friends- Open Poultry Show
5	6 Junior Leader Officer Meeting, 5:15 PM, Ext. Office	7 Kiddin' Around Goat Club, 7 PM, Fairgrounds	8 Clover Kids, 7 PM. Hope Moravian Church	9 Circle C Horse & Pony, 6:30 PM, Fairgrounds; Happy- Go Luckies, 7 PM, Oliverio's; YQCA, 6:30 PM, Ext. Office	10	11 Happy H'ers, 3 PM, Columbus Reformed Church
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