

SPRING INTO 4-H!

April 2023



Mini 4-H'ers enjoying an egg hunt at their first mini 4-H meeting of the year!

WELCOME

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Spring has sprung in the 4-H world! With warmer weather upon us, more outdoor activities and fun is in store. Summer trips and camps are just around the corner, be sure to keep your eye out for registration information

As 4-H'ers start acquiring their livestock animals and preparing for their other projects, remember to review the project terms and conditions and review deadlines. Be sure to enroll in everything on 4-H Online and remember that all livestock animals are to be entered into the system by May 15th.

If you know a friend who wants to join in on the fun, it's not too late! Direct people to our county website: <https://bit.ly/3KVS2Wy> or have them reach out to the Extension Office at 812-448-9041. As always, we are here to answer any questions!

BARN LIGHTS
&
SUMMER NIGHTS
CLAY COUNTY
4-H FAIR 2023

Clay County 4-H Fair July 15-21

Important
Dates to
Remember:

**DEADLINE TO
ADD/DROP
PROJECTS:
LIVESTOCK - MAY 15
EXHIBIT HALL - JULY 1**

**CATTLE, SHEEP &
GOAT TAG DAY:
MAY 6
9AM-NOON**

**POULTRY BLOOD
TESTING:
JUNE 13 & 25**

**ALL LIVESTOCK
ID'D IN 4HONLINE:
MAY 15**



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Clay County 4-H

County Website:

<https://bit.ly/41gF7DU>

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2023 CLAY COUNTY QUEEN & PRINCESS PAGEANT

Registration is now for the Clay County Fair Queen, Princess, Duchess pageants and the Little Miss and Mister contest. Registration is from March 15 through May 26. Entry fee is \$30 for all divisions.

For more information and to register, visit <https://bit.ly/41mfYHL>.



AWARD SPONSORS NEEDED!

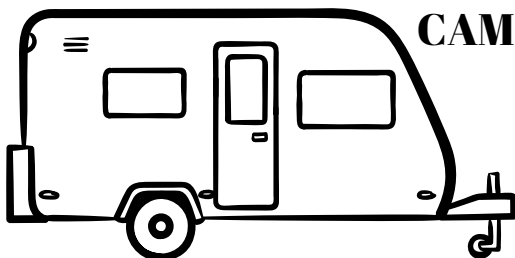
If your family or your business would like to sponsor awards for the 2023 Clay County Fair, please contact Ashley at the Extension Office. The awards that are still needing sponsored range in price from \$9-\$30. Our 4-H members put a lot of time & effort into the projects that these awards go towards, they are all so well earned and greatly appreciated!

Working on your posters yet?

GET YOUR STATE APPROVED POSTER BOARD AND SLEEVES AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE!

We are offering foam core poster boards for \$3 and clear plastic covers for \$1. The clear plastic covers are designed like an envelope where you simply slip your foam core poster inside and seal it with its own self-adhesive strip.

Just a couple of things to keep in mind: All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained and giving credit to the original author. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is required for the reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed. Make sure to carefully review the project requirements prior to the fair. These can be found on our county website (extension.purdue.edu/clay) or in the Extension Office.



CAMPER SPOTS ARE NOW OPEN FOR RESERVATIONS!

You can now reserve a spot to park your camper during fair. Visit Claycountyfairgrounds.com and use the map to select your space. The cost this year for the week is \$250 for 50 amp with water or \$200 for a regular site. Don't wait long, spots are filling up fast!

If you have any questions, please contact Bryce Schopmeyer at 812-243-4210.

HELP INDIANA FARM BUREAU FILL THE INDIANA SPEED TEST MAP TODAY!

On your home computer or other device, visit infb.org/speedtest.

Enter the address of your current location to test the internet quality. No internet connection? Please report your address!

The Indiana Speed Test collects data about your broadband service experience. It creates a real-time map that helps plan improvements to internet availability in your community.



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4-H CAMP - JUNE 11-14 @ SHAKAMAK STATE PARK

4-H Camp registration is now open for 4-H members in grades 3-6.

Join us for a fun filled time of recreation, learning, and making new friends! Camp is held at Shakamak State Park June 11th through the 14th and is for our 3rd through 6th graders. We will spend the week with Owen, Sullivan, and Vigo County 4-H'ers. The camp fee is \$120 for 3 nights/4 days full of fun! This is an awesome opportunity to meet 4-H'ers from other counties, learn new skills, and have lots of fun! There will be recreation time, art, swimming, and lots more. Enjoy the experience of sleeping in cabins,

eating meals in the mess hall, and exploring nature. Registration forms can be found in the Extension Office or on our website at: <https://bit.ly/3UuzM9E>.

Forms are due back to the Extension Office by May 12.



MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

4-H ACADEMY @ PURDUE JUNE 7-9, 2023 for grades 9-12

4-H Academy @ Purdue is a program held at Purdue University specifically designed to offer hands-on, exciting opportunities to learn about a diverse selection of subjects and careers. During this conference previously known as 4-H Science Workshops, participants will meet and learn from professors, graduate students and other experts in their respective fields and participate in interactive activities and experiential learning. Participants stay in a Purdue University Residence Hall for two nights while exploring the Purdue University campus and meeting 4-H members from across Indiana.

Registration opens March 15! Contact the Extension Office to begin your registration.

STATE 4-H JUNIOR LEADER CONFERENCE JUNE 13-16, 2023 for grades 9-12

The 2023 State 4-H Junior Leader Conference will be held June 13-16 at DePauw University. The Conference theme is "Leadership Under Construction - Building Better Leaders". High School students, this is one you won't want to miss!!

Registration is due by May 15! Contact the Extension Office to begin your registration.



4-H ROUND-UP JUNE 26-28, 2023 for grades 7-9

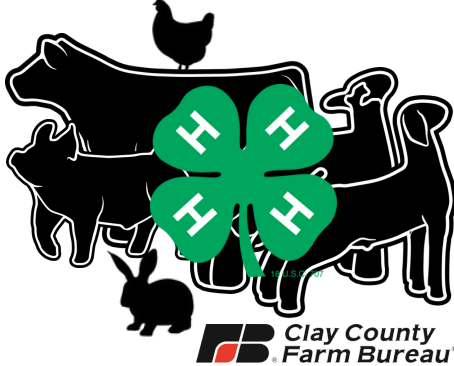
4-H Round-Up is an exciting opportunity offered to youth who have completed grades 7, 8, and 9. Attendees have an opportunity to explore a variety of careers by attending classes created just for Round-Up attendees at Purdue University. Participants will get a taste of college life and will live in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights. Youth have an opportunity to meet others from across the state and further develop their leadership skills. Recreation events are planned in the evenings and blocks of free time allow attendees the opportunity to build friendships on their own.

Registration is due by June 1! Contact the Extension Office to begin your registration.

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LIVESTOCK INFORMATION & DEADLINES

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care



All Livestock Exhibitors (Cattle, Poultry, Sheep, Goats, Swine & Rabbit) must complete the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care (QLC) training. This is a new program that is replacing the previous Youth for the Quality Assurance Program or YQCA. This program is currently only offered in-person, thanks to the sponsorship of Clay County Farm Bureau, this is FREE! If you are not able to attend one of the in-person trainings, the YQCA online program will fill the requirement for the quality care training. This can be done at yqcaprogram.org. If you complete it online, you MUST provide your certificate to the Extension Office (email korniak@purdue.edu or bring it in during office hours Monday-Friday 8 am to 4 pm).

The trainings are scheduled for April 27th, May 23rd, and June 21st at 6:30 pm in the Exhibit Hall.
Please call the Extension Office to RSVP your spot.

DEADLINE TO ADD ANIMAL INFORMATION INTO 4-H ONLINE - MAY 15, 2023

May 15th is the deadline to enroll all your animals (Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Goats, and Rabbits)* into 4-H Online. In order to be eligible to show at the fair, this step must be completed! Refer to the livestock packet you should have received in the mail for instructions. If you did not receive a packet or have questions on this, please contact the Extension Office. After May 15 we will not be able to add animals, making them ineligible to show, so please don't hesitate to get them registered!

*Poultry will be registered by paper form this year, due June 24th.

STATE FAIR DNA - MAY 15

If you are planning on exhibiting swine, beef or dairy cattle, sheep or meat goats at the Indiana State Fair, you are required to submit a DNA hair sample to the Extension Office by May 15. DNA envelopes can be obtained at the office or on tag day.

CLAY COUNTY BEEF & SWINE OPEN SHOW OPPORTUNITIES

On April 22nd the cattle club will be hosting an open show. The show starts at 11 am with check in beginning Friday from 6 to 8 pm and Saturday from 7 to 9 am. Entry Fee is \$45 a head. Our Swine Club will be hosting their open show on June 3rd with more details to come. Both shows offer a great opportunity to get experience in our show ring and practice with your animals. Help spread the word to surrounding counties & extend an invite to attend!

2023 INDIANA STATE FAIR

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 and entry books can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3Kq113b>

CATTLE, SHEEP & GOAT TAG DAY - MAY 6, 2023 9AM - NOON

On May 6th from 9 am to Noon at the Fairgrounds, bring your animals in order to get their proper identification. All tags will be \$3.00. Refer to your livestock letters you should have received in the mail for what animals you need to bring.

SWINE RFID TAGS

*NEW THIS YEAR

All swine must be assigned an 840-RFID ear tag to be eligible to show at the Clay County & State Fair. These tags can be purchased at the Extension Office or at Swine club meetings for \$3.00. You will need to enter the assigned 840 number for each animal when you identify them on 4HOnline by May 15. There will not be a swine tag day, if you need assistance in tagging please call the Extension Office & we can put in contact with someone who can assist.



CLAY COUNTY 4-H CLUB DATES

Clever Clovers 

Clay City
7:00 pm

- May 2, 2023
- June 6, 2023
- July 3, 2023

Goat Club 

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
2:30 pm

- April 23 - in the Extension Office basement

Horse & Pony 

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm

- April 20, 2023
- May 18, 2023
- June 15, 2023

Sheep Club 


Extension Office
6:00 pm

- April 26, 2023
- May 25, 2023
- June 20, 2023

Mini 4-H 


Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm

- April 17, 2023
- May 15, 2023
- June 19, 2023

Jr. Leaders 


Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm

- April 17, 2023
- May 15, 2023
- June 19, 2023

Busy Bees 

Clay Co. Extension Office
6:00 pm

- May 4, 2023
- June 1, 2023
- July 6, 2023

4-Ever Achievers 

Staunton Community Center
6:00 pm

- May 2, 2023
- June 6, 2023
- July 6, 2023

Jackson Twp. Farmhands 

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm

- April 13, 2023
- May 11, 2023
- June 8, 2023
- July 13, 2023

Harrison Handy Happy Helpers 

- April 24, 2023
- May 22, 2023
- June 26, 2023 *
- July 31, 2023

Cattle Club 

Clay Co. Fairgrounds

- May 8, 2023
- June 12, 2023
- July 10, 2023

Poultry Club 

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm

- May 9, 2023
- June 13, 2023

CLAY COUNTY 4-H CLUB DATES

Archery Club



Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm

- April 17, 2023
- May 1, 2023
- May 15, 2023
- June 5, 2023
- June 12, 2023
- June 19, 2023
- June 26, 2023
- July 3, 2023
- July 10, 2023

Rabbit Club



Clay Co. Fairgrounds
5:00 pm

- April 16, 2023
- May 7, 2023-Bunny Boot Camp 10am-2pm
- May 12, 2023
- June 4, 2023-Bunny Boot Camp 10am-2pm
- June 25, 2023

Dog Club



Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm

- April 14, 2023
- April 21, 2023 (@ Forest Park)
- April 28, 2023
- May 5, 2023
- May 12, 2023
- May 19, 2023
- May 26, 2023
- May 29, 2023
- June 2, 2023 (@ Craig Park)
- June 5, 2023
- June 9, 2023
- June 12, 2023
- June 16, 2023
- June 19, 2023
- June 23, 2023
- June 26, 2023
- June 30, 2023

Top Shots



Lost Creek Conservation Club
6:00 pm

- April 13, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle
- April 20, 2023 @ 6:00 - Shotgun
- May 11, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle
- May 18, 2023 @6:00 - Shotgun
- June 8, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle
- June 15, 2023 @ 6:00- Shotgun

Swine Club



Clay Co. Fairgrounds
4:30 pm

- April 16, 2023
- May 7, 2023
- June - TBD
- July 11, 2023

Van Buren Hustlers



Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm

- April 25, 2023
- May 16, 2023
- June 20, 2023

