

4-H FRIDAY NUGGET FAIR SPECIAL!

Fair Entry

All 4-H youth with projects that plan on exhibiting at the fair this year will need to complete FairEntry. Please complete your profile and select projects by July 8! This will help us start preparing reports and items that we need to get ready for the fair. The website is: www.FairEntry.com If you have any questions or need assistance on completing FairEntry please contact the Purdue Extension Office at 574-533-0554 and our support staff will be happy to assist you! A video link and instructions will help you complete this process. 4-H FairEntry - [Video Instructions](#) & [Paper Instructions](#) can be found on the Purdue Extension Elkhart County website under "4-H Information".

Fair Tickets

Each 4-H member who has completed their enrollment by June 1 and is exhibiting a project at the fair is eligible to receive a fair pass along with two parent passes per family. Members who elect not to exhibit will not be issued passes. 4-H'ers who are members of more than one club will receive passes from only one club. Tickets sold to the general public will need to be used on a specific date. The passes for 4-H'ers and their families however, will be the same as they have been in the past.

Be aware that there is a policy concerning fair tickets. Passes are for the exclusive use of the person to whom they are issued. Passes should have the owner's name on them. This will aid in tickets being returned if lost and later found. Passes that are shared with others (an offense) will be confiscated by gate personnel and will not be replaced nor returned if confiscated.

Your tickets are a gift from the 4-H Fair Board, not a "right" you have just because you are in 4-H. Many county fairs charge admission to everyone who enters the gates. We are fortunate to have a Fair Board that values 4-H and does not pass along this financial burden to 4-H families.

Project Requirements

Many of our 4-H Projects require project description reference cards, skills sheets or recipe cards to be included with the exhibit. Make sure you do not forget these important items as it may cause your project to not receive the highest ribbon placing possible. You can verify exhibit requirements or view project checklists by reviewing the Elkhart County 4-H Handbook or visit our website at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/Elkhart> then select the section titled "4-H Projects". This will give you access to required forms, manuals, and exhibit requirements for each of the Elkhart County 4-H Projects.

Project References

It is recommended/suggested that all posters, notebooks, and display boards include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this 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.

Poster Boards & Sleeves

For your convenience, foam board and poster sleeves in appropriate sizes are available for purchase at the Purdue Extension Elkhart County office for a nominal cost. Cash or check are accepted. These items will also be available (while supplies last) during project check in prior to the fair. Don't wait until the last minute. Be prepared!

Ribbons

All 4-H projects that are judged and exhibited at the Elkhart County 4-H Fair will receive a ribbon. If your project is part of Open Judging Day, you will receive your ribbon (up to the honor level) that day. All other project ribbons (including Mini 4-H) will be available in the kitchen area of the 4-H Exhibit Building during the hours that the building is open to the public. Along with the ribbons, you will also receive any judge's comment/scoring sheets that are available. Ribbons may also be picked up during Project Check-out.

Building Set-Up

Come join the fun and fellowship during fair set up in the ECCC on Wednesday, July 14th @6pm. This is our big setup night. Help is needed to set up displays, set up shelving, provide electrical needs, clean, and much more. Many hands make the job easy! This is also a great way to meet other 4-H members, families, and leaders in the county. Even though it is hard work, it is a good time. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide!

Building Supervision

4-H families, please do your part and help supervise/monitor our visitors and exhibits during the fair. The fair board graciously gives us space to exhibit our youth's projects and they also provide free fair passes to the parents of 4-H members. It is our 4-H families' responsibility to donate 1-2 hours of their time to make sure projects are not damaged or removed from the building. If we want to keep our building open to the public we need to step up and do our part in making sure we have adequate supervision. If you have already signed up to help, THANK YOU! If you have not, please get in touch with your 4-H Leader immediately. Your Club Leader will let you know what days/times are still in need of supervision.

- First shift volunteers should report to the catering door of the Exhibit building.
- Please note that the first shift begins 15 minutes before the building actually opens for the public.
- Last shift volunteers should expect to stay until 9:15pm for clean-up after the building closes.

Junior Leader Food Stand Day

Thursday, July 29 is Junior Leader Food Stand Day. Please consider helping out in the food stand if you are available. Even if it just for an hour! They could use the help!

Project Check-In

Be sure to mark your calendars for the appropriate time for your 4-H projects to be delivered to the fair. Failure to bring a project on time will likely cause your project to receive a participation ribbon due to the fact that judging may have already taken place. Don't let this happen to you! Also, don't forget skill and recipe cards! The following is a list of projects and check in dates and times:

4-H Achievement Record Book, Computer, Consumer Clothing & Genealogy notebooks are due in the Extension Office by Wednesday June 30. Consumer Clothing open judging will take place in the ECCC on Tuesday, July 13 between 12n-6pm. Genealogy from 12n-3pm and Computer from 3pm-6pm. Achievement Record Books are judged with closed judging.

Foods, Canning, Microwave Cooking & Sewing exhibits open judging will be Tuesday, July 13 in the ECCC between 12n-6pm. If you have several projects to enter, please consider coming early in the day. If you would like to set up contactless drop off of projects this year, please contact the Purdue Extension Office.

Cake Decorating open judging is Wednesday, July 21 from 8:30am –11:30am & 12:30pm –2:30pm in the ECCC.

Floriculture, Garden & Potatoes open judging is Thursday, July 22 from 9am –11am in the ECCC. Vegetables entered are considered as non-returnable to the exhibitor due to their deterioration.

Mini 4-H Project Check-in is Wednesday, July 15th from 9am-6pm in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

ALL OTHER PROJECTS – Should be brought to the ECCC between 2pm-6pm on Sunday, July 18 OR Monday, July 19. This is closed judging. Please be prompt in getting projects checked in .

Project Check-Out

Don't forget that you need to pick up your 4-H exhibits after the fair is over! We do not have the storage space or ability to keep your exhibits after the fair. All 4-H exhibits (including Mini 4-H) will be released on Sunday, August 1 from 2pm-5pm & Monday, August 2 from 12n-5pm. If you cannot be there for either of these times, it is your responsibility to have someone pick up your project(s). Unclaimed projects will be discarded.

State Fair Projects

Any 4-H member who has a exhibit selected for the State Fair must come to the ECCC on Friday, July 30 from 5pm-9pm. This is a day earlier than in the past! This also includes Floriculture, Garden & Potato this year! Bring packing materials such as a sturdy box or plastic wrapping. We will provide tape and scissors. Garden projects do not need to be on plates. Just pack them in a strong plastic bag or cardboard box. We will transfer them to plates provided by the State Fair when we check in your exhibit. Be sure you have the correct tags with your project.

Only State Fair Foods exhibits will need to be dropped at the Purdue Extension office by Wednesday, August 4 at 8am. Have your exhibit packaged and ready to go.

State Fair Transportation

As a service to you, projects selected for State Fair exhibition will be transported by volunteers/ Extension Educators. If you would like to volunteer to help transport state fair projects, please speak with Sthele Greybar @ 574-533-0554. If projects are too large, heavy and/or fragile for staff to transport, 4-H'ers will be notified. Projects will be stacked in order to conserve space. Projects should be boxed in a sturdy box no more than 1 inch larger than the project itself. Cover clothing exhibits with a dry cleaner bag and on a hanger.

Fashion Revue

On behalf of the Fashion Revue Committee, we would like to invite all 4-H members, especially those enrolled in Sewing to be part of Elkhart County's 4-H Fashion Revue. Fashion Revue gives you an opportunity to show off an outfit you have sewn!

- The garment you model does not need to be the same one that you have judged in the construction category.
- The garment must have been completed since the previous Elkhart County 4-H Fair.
- You are not required to enter sewing construction to enter 4-H Fashion Revue.
- Garments are not judged on construction at this event but rather on their fit and your choice of accessories to complete your total look.
- Pre-Registration is required. Please email a typed rough draft of your commentary (double spaced to allow for changes) for registration to sgreybar@purdue.edu by Tuesday, July 13.
- Commentaries should be a maximum of 250 words and may be edited.

Fashion Revue Judging & Public Show will be Saturday, July 17 at Greencroft Community Center.

Both judging & public show will be livestreamed on the Elkhart County 4-H Facebook.

The State Fair Fashion Revue competition will take place in 4-H Exhibit Hall on Friday, August 6.

Garden Container Contest

Containers and their plantings will remain the property of the 4-H fairgrounds following the fair, and will be used to decorate various locations around the fairgrounds after the fair is over. Therefore, you should not plan on using materials in your container that you wish to keep. Container check-in will be Thursday, July 22 between 8am and 4:30pm. Clubs will check-in at the Purdue Extension office where they will be directed to place their container in a designated area.

Ten Year Member Recognition

Ten Year Member Hub is an event available on 4HOnline. Please visit it if you have not already. It is where you can supply a photo of yourself for your 5 year pass and social media/building display. It is also where you can enter information regarding future plans and special shout-outs to club leaders who have helped you along the way. All of the Ten Year Member information you need can be found there.

Don't forget to be at the Grandstand Stage by 4pm on Sunday, July 25. You will be lining up alphabetically to receive recognition for 10 years of 4-H membership and receive a bag full of gifts, including the 5 year pass.

Mini 4-H

All Mini 4-H projects are due on Wednesday, July 15th from 9am-6pm in the 4-H Exhibit Building. Mini 4-H Ribbons will be available for pick-up during fair in the kitchen area of the Exhibit Building. Ribbons will also be available during project check-out on August 1st and 2nd from 2-5pm. Please make sure to pick up your project during project check-out or it will be discarded.

Mini 4-H is supervising the 4-H Exhibit Building on July 29th from 8:45-5pm. If you are able to volunteer one hour of your day to ensure the building remains open to the public, please call Anna Balas @ 574-533-0554.



July 2021

4-H Schedule



Extension - Elkhart County

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4	5 Independence Day Observed Extension Office Closed	6	7 2:00pm Bldg Keys, 2pm	8	9	10
11	12 6:00pm 4-H Building Set-Up for Open Judging	13 12:00pm-3:00pm Open Judging - Genealogy 3:00pm-6:00pm Open Judging - Computer 12:00pm - 6:00pm Open Judging for Canning, Consumer Clothing, Foods, Microwave Cooking, & Sewing	14 6:00pm 4-H Building Set-Up	15 9:00am - 6:00pm Mini 4-H Project Check-In for All Mini 4-H Projects	Approved by 4-H Corp April 1, 2021	
18 2:00pm - 6:00pm 4-H Project Check-In All 4-H projects (except Cake Decorating, Floriculture, Garden & Potato)	19 2:00pm - 6:00pm 4-H Project Check-In All 4-H projects (except Cake Decorating, Floriculture, Garden & Potato)	20 4-H Project Judging - Closed to Public	21 8:30am-11:30am & 12:30pm-2:30pm 4-H Cake Decorating Open Judging	22 9:00am-11:00am 4-H Floriculture, Garden & Potatoes Open Judging	23 2021 Elkhart County 4-H Fair Opens 9:00am 4-H Exhibit Building Opens	24
25 4-H Fair Parade 4:30pm 4-H 10-Year Member Recognition at Grandstand	26	27 5:30pm 4-H Youth Awards at Heritage Park Stage	28 9:00am 4-H ATV Rodeo at Grandstand 5:30pm 4-H Youth Awards at Heritage Park Stage 7:00pm 4-H Youth Awards at Grandstand	29	30 4-H Livestock Auction 5pm - 9pm State Fair Project Check-Out	31 9:30am 4-H Rocket Launch South of Gate 6
Aug. 1 2:00pm - 5:00pm Project Check-Out/ Pick-Up	Aug. 2 12:00pm - 5:00pm Project Check-Out/ Pick-Up	Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity institution.				