

**Indiana 4-H Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program**

This program is only available for Indiana residents and must be completed by July 15 annually.

**Applicants must also complete the 4-H Animal Ethic Online Modules every 3 years (this started in 2019) located at:**

**<https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/Online-Animal-Ethics-Program.aspx>**

**Modules will be available on 5/15/2021.**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Former Names** \_\_\_\_\_

**County** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gender** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

It is the intent that the 4-H member take responsibility for caring for and grooming his/her own animals. However, it is recognized that all youth need assistance. The purpose of this program is to provide an avenue for equal access to qualified animal grooming assistance. Those enrolled in this program should not see this as a way to do the work for the 4-H member, but should provide hands-on learning opportunities that further the skills and abilities of the 4-H member.

**By initialing each of the items below,**

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I accept my responsibility to be a positive role model for youth by conducting myself in a courteous and respectful manner, exhibiting good sportsmanship, and striving to make educating youth the priority.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I understand that I am not covered by the Purdue University Liability Insurance or the Indiana 4-H Activity Accident Insurance, and I understand that approval of this application does NOT provide me with approved status as an official Purdue University 4-H Volunteer.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I have read, understand and agree to follow all Indiana 4-H and Indiana State Fair 4-H Animal Identification, Ownership and Exhibition Policies and that I will be truthful and forthright with the youth that I am assisting. <https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests/4-h-competitions-entry-information>

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I will treat animals in a humane manner, will teach responsible animal care to the youth that I am assisting, and will maintain a high standard of ethical exhibition of animals.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I understand that failure to comply with these expectations may result in removal from the Indiana 4-H Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I understand that grooming assistance includes day of show activities (clipping, combing, washing, drying, animal movement) and does not include feeding, housing, exhibiting and other animal management activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I authorize Purdue Extension to conduct a search of the current national and state sex ad violent offender registries and release any information found on the registries to Purdue Extension.

Submit this completed form along with a copy of your current, valid Indiana driver's license to Courtney Stierwalt **by July 15** via:

**Email:** [dickerso@purdue.edu](mailto:dickerso@purdue.edu)

**Mail:** Purdue Extension, State 4-H

Office 615 W State Street

West Lafayette, IN 47907

### **Personal Liability Waiver**

I understand that participating in this program involves certain risks to me and I accept those risks. I hereby release The Trustees of Purdue University, The County Commissioners, Purdue Extension, and each of their affiliates, trustees, officers, appointees, agents, employees and volunteers ("Released Parties") from all claims which I might have for any injury or harm to me arising out of my participation in the program, even if such injury or harm is caused by the negligence or fault of any of the Released Parties. I do not release the Released Parties from liability for intentional, willful, or wanton acts. I understand that if claims are made against me in connection with the Program, I may be eligible for indemnification in accordance Purdue University's policy on indemnification.

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Signature

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Date