

2025-2026

Martin County 4-H

Program Handbook



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President – Jennifer Boswell
Vice-President – Mitch Green
Secretary – Jill Ziegler
Treasurer – Kathy Lingenfelter

2025-2026 4-H COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND DUTIES

AT A GLANCE COMMITTEE & CHAIRPERSON

Oct 1, 2025- Sept 30, 2026

1	Activity, Fundraising & Outreach Committee	Neely Richer
2	Budget & Finance Committee	Kathy Lingenfelter
3	Constitution, Handbook, and Grievance Committee	Julinda Adams
4	Executive Committee	Jennifer Boswell
5	Grounds & Upkeep Committee	John Lindsey
6	Exhibition Animals & Livestock Auction Committee	Abbey Lindsey
7	Nominating Committee	Paula Ringwald
8	Static Projects Committee	Kathy Lingenfelter
9	Trips & Awards Committee	Neely Richer

1. **Activity, Fundraising & Outreach Committee: Neely Richer**

Paula Ringwald, Jenny Hembree, Mimi Hawkins, Reva Troutman, Melanie Hawkins, Candace Clark, Mitch Green, Eva Ringwald, Dena Held

Duties: Organize workers and activities for 4-H. Major area of activity is the 4-H Fair. This committee is responsible for assigning members of 4-H Council to do activities and help at the Fair. It is not this committee’s responsibility to do all the work all of the time. This committee helps organize the activities, but overall, every 4-H Council member should serve some capacity at the Activity Committee’s discretion.

Previous Fair Committees include: Entertainment, Kids Night, Kids Tractor Pull, Antique Tractor Show, Set Up and Tear Down static Projects, Fair Food and Kitchen, Parking and Security. The Committee is responsible for organizing/developing any fundraising activities for 4-H Council. This includes ensuring adequate resources are available and assisting the office with advertisements. The Committee will also coordinate efforts for 4-H Council workers at activities and work with the 4-H Council Treasurer and 4-H Educator to remain within the budget.

In charge of promoting the events and function of 4-H through Internet, TV, radio, newspapers, posters and flyers in unison with the 4-H Educator and Purdue Extension. Special events such as Turkey Dinner, Fair agenda, etc. Additionally, the committee shall disseminate information and promote 4-H to the public, news media and social media. The committee will oversee fundraising and coordinate a structured outreach plan in contacting potential donors for 4-H programs and activities as well as increasing 4-H enrollment and involvement.

2. Budget & Finance Committee: Kathy Lingenfelter

Jill Ziegler, Trevor Guy, Erin Bateman, Andy Ringwald, Brent Courter, Dena Held

Duties: Propose an Annual Budget to the Council and consider and make recommendations on other financial matters of the 4-H Council as directed. They will present the proposed annual budget in **December**. The budget will then be approved in **January**. Also, the Budget and Finance Committee shall be responsible for maintaining the list of Martin County 4-H donors and shall secure new donors from time to time as deemed necessary.

3. Constitution, Handbook, and Grievance Committee: Julinda Adams

Erin Bateman, Abbey Lindsey, Kathy Lingenfelter, Jennifer Boswell, Dena Held

Duties: Review the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, By-Laws and 4-H Handbook annually for possible revisions according to the laws of the State of Indiana or the needs of the Martin County 4-H Program. A function of this committee shall be to review all grievances filed concerning the Martin County 4-H Program in accordance with the Grievance Policy.

4. Executive Committee: Jennifer Boswell

Mitch Green, Paula Ringwald, Kathy Lingenfelter, Jill Ziegler, Dan Wagler, Neely Richer, Dena Held

Duties: This committee is responsible for the execution of the 4-H Constitution and By-laws. Duties also include overall Committee assignments and close communication with the 4-H Educator in all aspects for a robust 4-H Program. Assignments for Fair week shall be reviewed and approved by the executive committee and Extension Educator.

5. Grounds & Upkeep Committee: Andy Ringwald & Trevor Guy

John Lindsey, Dan Wagler, Abbey Lindsey, Candace Clark, John Hart, Jim Sanders, Danny Phillips, Dena Held

Duties: This committee shall be responsible for maintaining the fairgrounds and buildings. Specific responsibilities include organizing lawn care, snow/ice removal, building upkeep and maintenance.

6. Exhibition Animals & Livestock Auction Committee: Abbey Lindsey

Kathy Lingenfelter, Candace Clark, John Lindsey, Mitch Green, Erin Bateman, Justin Clark, Sarha Jones, Shelby McAtee, Richard Lingenfelter, Jill Phillips, Kenadi Wells, Rhonda Rumble, John Hart, Caleb Richer, Mimi Hawkins, Jack Richer, Dena Held

Duties: This Committee shall be responsible for the oversight of all exhibition animal projects within the program. This committee is also responsible for assisting in the coordination and implementation of the 4-H Livestock Auction. This committee shall include all livestock Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents, 4-H Council Representatives and the Extension Educator. This committee will meet at a minimum with the Extension Educator every year after the State Fair in August or September to discuss and recommend improvements to the exhibition animal and livestock rules.

7. Nominating Committee: Paula Ringwald

Jill Ziegler, Jenny Hembree, Eva Ringwald, Dena Held

Duties: Annually prepare a slate of Council members to be elected at the **October** 4-H Council meeting and presented at the Annual Meeting. It is the Nominating Committees responsibility to ensure a balanced representation of volunteers in Martin County.

8. Static Project Committee: Kathy Lingenfelter

Jill Ziegler, Paula Ringwald, Trevor Guy, Krista Sims, Andy Ringwald, Jennifer Boswell, Dena Held

Duties: The committee shall be responsible for the oversight of all non-livestock projects within the program. This committee shall include all general club leaders, 4-H Council Representatives and Extension Educator. This committee will meet with the Extension Educator every year after the State Fair in August or September to discuss and implement improvements to the static processes. This committee is also responsible for setting up project displays for the Fair.

9. Trips & Awards Committee: Neely Richer

Julinda Adams, Kathy Lingenfelter, Jennifer Boswell, Paula Ringwald, Melanie Hawkins, Dena Held

Duties: The Trips and Awards Committee shall meet with the Extension Educator to determine Fall Achievement Award winners according to established criteria and help determine Purdue trip participants if the Council ever establishes limits on the number of kids it can afford to send.

Ad Hoc Committees may be created for needed tasks as those arise.

Martin County 4-H Clubs & 4-H Club Leaders

Please contact the Extension Office for the most up to date information.

4-H COLORS

PMS 347 Green and White

4-H MOTTO

“To Make the Best Better”

4-H EMBLEM

A four-leaf clover with the letter “H” on each leaflet, meaning the development of Head, Hearts, Hands, and Health, is the official 4-H Club emblem.

4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE:

My Head to clearer thinking, My Heart to greater loyalty, My Hands to larger service,
My Health to better living, For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

Martin County 4-H Fair Points of Contact & Superintendents

Available at The Extension Office or by emailing heldd@purdue.edu

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(4-H Members 3rd -12th Grade)

Full listing of projects link: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/index.html>

4-H Project Guidelines, Score Cards, further information and skill sheets as applicable may be obtained for all:

1. Via the links below
2. From your 4-H Club Leader, or
3. Purdue Extension Martin County Office.



4-H Project Name	Link	Category of Project
Aerospace	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-aerospace.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Animal Education	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-animal-education.html	Animal Science - Static Projects
Arts and Crafts	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-arts-and-crafts.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
ATV Safety & Operating Skills	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-atv-safety.html	Healthy Living
Beef	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-beef.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Beekeeping	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-beekeeping.html	Plants and Environmental Science
Bicycle	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-bicycle.html	Healthy Living
Cake Decorating	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-cake-decorating.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Cat	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-cat.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Child Development	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-child-development.html	Healthy Living
Communications	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-communications.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Computer Science	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-computer-science.html	Engineering and Technological Science

Construction and Architectural Replica	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-arts-and-crafts.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Consumer Clothing	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-consumer-clothing.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-consumer-clothing.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Dairy	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-dairy-cattle.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Dairy Beef	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-dairy-cattle.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Dairy Goats	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-goat.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Dog	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-dog.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Electric	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-electric.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Entomology	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-entomology.html	Plants and Environmental Science
Fine Arts	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-arts-and-crafts.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Floriculture	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-floriculture.html	Plants and Environmental Science
Foods	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-foods.html	Healthy Living
Forestry	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-forestry.html	Plant and Environmental Science
Garden	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-garden.html	Plants and Environmental Science
Genealogy	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-genealogy.html	Leadership and Citizenship
Geology	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-geology.html	Plant and Environmental Science
Health	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-health.html	Healthy Living

Home Environment	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-home-environment.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Horse and Pony	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-horse.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Junior Leaders	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-junior-leaders.html	Leadership and Citizenship
Lawn and Garden Tractor Safety and Operator Skills	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-tractor-and-mower-safety-and-operator-skills.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Leadership	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-leadership.html	Leadership and Citizenship
Llama and Alpaca Craft	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-llama-and-alpaca.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Llamas and Alpaca	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-llama-and-alpaca.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Meat Goats	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-goat.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Model Craft	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-arts-and-crafts.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Needle Craft	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-arts-and-crafts.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Photography	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-photography.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Poultry	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-poultry.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition & Eggs
Pygmy Goats	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-goat.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Rabbits	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-rabbit.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Sewing	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-sewing-and-fashion-revue.html	Communications and Expressive Arts
Sewing Fashion Revue	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-sewing-and-fashion-revue.html	Communications and Expressive Arts

Sheep	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-sheep.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Shooting Sports	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-shooting-sports.html	Healthy Living
Small Engine	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-small-engine.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Soil and Water Science	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-soil-and-water-science.html	Plant and Environmental Science
Sportfishing	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-sportfishing.html	Healthy Living
Swine	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-swine.html	Animal Science / Live Animal Exhibition
Tractor Safety and Operator Skills	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-tractor-and-mower-safety-and-operator-skills.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Veterinary Science	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-vet-science.html	Animal Science - Static Projects
Weather and Climate Science	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-weather-and-climate-science.html	Plant and Environmental Science
Wildlife	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-wildlife.html	Plant and Environmental Science
Woodworking	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-woodworking.html	Engineering and Technological Science
Zero-Turn Mower Safety and Operator Skills	https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/4-h-project-tractor-and-mower-safety-and-operator-skills.html	Engineering and Technological Science

Official announcements and rulings declared after the finalization of this handbook override the details contained herein.

State 4-H terms, policies & procedures provide the structure for all 4-H programs, exhibitions and learning experiences.

10 Year 4-H Member

MARTIN COUNTY 4-H SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Cameron Crays

Child of: Megan Crays

2026 Graduate of: Loogootee High School

4-H Club: Dream Team

Favorite 4-H Project: Cattle

Life Ambition: Welding

Advice for first year 4-H Members: Listen to your leaders.



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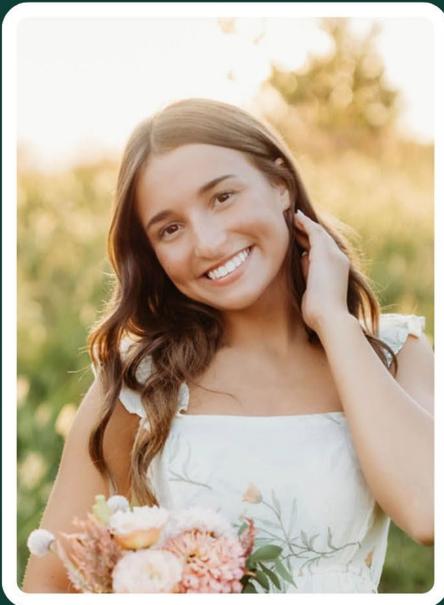


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Brooklyn Knepp

Child of: Kenny & Amber Knepp

2026 Graduate of: Loogootee High School

4-H Club: Dream Team

Favorite 4-H Project: Swine

Life Ambition: To graduate college with a business degree and start a successful career.

Advice for first year 4-H Members: Try different projects and most of all Have Fun!



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Makenzie Mauder

Child of: Rick & Teresa Mauder

2026 Graduate of: Loogootee High School

4-H Club: Jolly Juniors, Junior Leaders

Favorite 4-H Project: Fashion Revue, Sewing and Scrapbooking

Life Ambition: To earn a college degree and become an agriculture teacher.

Advice for first year 4-H Members: Try new things before it's too late and be involved.



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Chloe Ramsey

Child of: Robbin & Clint Keller & David Ramsey

2026 Graduate of: Loogootee High School

4-H Club: Dream Team

Favorite 4-H Project: Scrapbooking, Photography, and Arts and Crafts

Life Ambition: To be a successful business woman.

Advice for first year 4-H Members: Try new things, don't be afraid of mistakes, pick projects that interest you, and have fun.



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MARTIN COUNTY 4-H ANNUAL FALL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CRITERIA

In the event of a tie, both or all 4-Hers will be recognized.

Award Name	Number	Criteria
Outstanding 4-H Animal Science Award	2	<p>4-H member must complete at least 5 of the static projects to be considered for this award.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Education <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Beef 2. Cat 3. Dairy Cattle 4. Dog 5. Goat 6. Horse 7. Llama & Alpaca 8. Poultry 9. Rabbit 10. Sheep 11. Swine • Vet Science
Outstanding 4-H Communication & Expressive Arts Award	2	<p>4-H member must complete at least 5 of the static projects listed to be considered for this award.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arts and Crafts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Arts and Crafts ○ Construction and Architectural Replica ○ Fine Arts ○ Model Craft ○ Needle Craft • Cake Decorating • Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Demonstration ○ Informative 4-H Presentation ○ Professional Persuasive Presentation ○ Public Speaking ○ Creative Writing • Consumer Clothing • Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue • Home Environment • Photography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Black and White Print Board ○ Color Print Board ○ Black and White Salon Print ○ Color Salon Print ○ Creative/Experimental Salon Print

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sewing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sewing, Wearable ○ Sewing, Non-Wearable • Sewing Fashion Revue
Outstanding 4-H Engineering & Technological Science Award	2	<p>4-H member must complete at least 3 of the static projects listed to be considered for this award.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerospace • Computer Science • Electric • Lawn and Garden Tractor Safety and Operator • Robotics • Small Engine • Tractor Safety and Operator • Woodworking • Zero-Turn Mower Safety and Operator
Outstanding 4-H Healthy Living Award	2	<p>4-H member must complete at least 3 of the static projects listed to be considered for this award.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATV Safety • Bicycle • Child Development • Foods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Foods, Baked ○ Foods, Preserved • Health • Shooting Sports • Sportfishing
Outstanding 4-H Leadership & Citizenship Award	2	<p>4-H member demonstrates outstanding leadership, enthusiasm and drive to get things done in the 4-H Program, school and community. They must be an active Martin County 4-H Junior Leader and implemented the Jr. Leaders Binder Framework.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genealogy • Jr. Leaders • Leadership
Outstanding 4-H Plant & Environmental Science Award	2	<p>4-H member must complete at least 3 of the static projects listed to be considered for this award.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beekeeping • Entomology • Floriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Floral ○ Floriculture educational • Forestry

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ collection ○ single vegetable ○ herb ○ potato tray ○ tomato plate ○ educational • Geology • Soil and Water Science • Weather and Climate Science • Wildlife
Outstanding 4-H Achievement Award	2	4-H members with highest overall 4-H accumulative points excluding the first year, sixth year and Top Notch 4-H Ten Year Member recipients of the same year. Includes all 4-H related activities for the 4-H member, including this year's 4-H program year as verified on completed annual point sheet.
Outstanding 4-H First Year Member Award	2	This award will go to the two youth 4-Hers who have the most total points accumulated during their first year of participating in the 4-H Program as verified on completed annual point sheet.
Outstanding 4-H Sixth Year Member Award	2	This award will go to the two youth 4-Hers who have the most total points accumulated during their six years of participating in the 4-H Program as verified on completed annual point sheet.
Top Notch 4-H Ten Year Member Award	1	This award will go to the 4-Her who has the most total points accumulated during their ten years of participating in the 4-H Program as verified on the completed annual point sheet.
Outstanding 4-H Auction Buyer	1	The recognition is awarded to the top buyer at the 4-H Auction. This award may be won by the same individual or business in consecutive years.

Chartered 4-H Club Cumulative Awards

All Martin County 4-H Club Leaders are invited and encouraged to submit a Club Awards Plan annually to the 4-H Educator annually and participate in the Martin County 4-H Fall Achievement Awards Ceremony. Clubs may choose to opt in to participation in the Fall Achievement Awards or may host their own Club Awards.

All Club Awards plans must meet the following requirements:

1. Led by 4-H Club Leaders and certified Extension 4-H Volunteers as approved by the 4-H Educator
2. Framework created by March 31
3. Fully communicated in the Purdue Extension Martin County News Blast beginning no later than April
4. Fully communicated at respective club meetings
5. Fully communicated through club group communication platforms
6. Award selections reviewed by the 4-H Educator and the Trips and Awards Committee Chair or Committee

4-H Donations, Awards, and Award Procurement Guidelines

Purpose

To establish a clear and transparent process for handling donations, awards, and award procurement within the 4-H program, ensuring proper oversight and approval by the 4-H Educator, Trips and Awards Committee, & 4-H Council.

Oversight and Approval

All donations, awards, and award procurement related to 4-H must be reviewed and approved by the 4-H leadership. This ensures that all contributions align with the mission and objectives of the program.

Donations

1. All monetary and in-kind donations intended for 4-H awards must be submitted for approval.
2. Donations should align with 4-H programming and must not conflict with 4-H/Extension and/or university policies.
3. Proper acknowledgment and recognition of donors will be determined by the committee.
4. All financial donations must be processed through the designated 4-H financial system.

Awards

1. Award categories and criteria must be reviewed annually by the committee to ensure alignment with 4-H values.
2. All awards given through 4-H must be pre-approved before distribution.
3. Sponsorships for awards must follow the donation approval process.
4. Award recipients must meet established criteria set forth by 4-H and the Trips and Awards Committee.
5. The committee, Council & 4-H Educator to oversee the selection process to maintain fairness and objectivity.

Award Procurement

1. All award purchases must be pre-approved.
2. Vendors must meet 4-H procurement guidelines and offer cost-effective, high-quality options.
3. Orders should be placed well in advance to ensure timely delivery.
4. Award designs and wording must reflect 4-H branding and values.
5. Invoices and receipts must be submitted for record-keeping and auditing purposes.

Enforcement and Review

1. Any deviation from these guidelines must receive prior approval.
2. The guidelines will be reviewed annually and updated as needed.
3. Any concerns regarding donations, awards, or procurement should be directed to the 4-H Youth Educator for resolution.

These guidelines ensure that all contributions and awards align with the mission and integrity of the 4-H program while maintaining transparency and accountability.

Mini 4-H Projects in Martin County (Kindergarten, First, and Second Graders)

1. Aerospace
2. Arts & Crafts
3. Beef – exhibition/show
4. Beef –static project
5. Bicycle
6. Bugs
7. Cake Decorating
8. Cats –exhibition/show
9. Cats –static project
10. Collections
11. Construction Toys
12. Dairy – exhibition/show
13. Dairy – static project
14. Dinosaurs
15. Dog –exhibition/show
16. Farm Scene
17. Floriculture
18. Foods
19. Forestry
20. Garden
21. Goats- exhibition/show
22. Goats – static project
23. Helping Mom & Dad
24. Horse & Pony – exhibition/show
25. Horse & Pony – static project
26. My Pet & Me
27. Models
28. Poultry – exhibition/show
29. Poultry – static project
30. Rabbit – exhibition/show
31. Rabbit- static project
32. Recycling
33. Sewing
34. Sheep – exhibition/show
35. Sheep – static project
36. Sports
37. Swine – exhibition/show
38. Swine – static project
39. Weather
40. Whales & Dolphins
41. Wildlife

Mini 4-H is a program designed to encourage positive development of children, Kindergarten through second grade. Mini 4-H is not a requirement, yet is available in the majority of counties in Indiana. The goal of Mini 4-H is to help young children explore friendships outside the family; explore the way in which things work; practice both small and large muscle control; and think about the ways people work together on projects.

The NON-COMPETITIVE learning environment for Mini 4-H includes:

1. Planned learning activities in which children are invited to be active and explore materials and ideas without the pressure of completing a specific product or exhibit.
2. Low adult/leader to child ratio that allows time for adults/leaders to provide individual, positive encouragement and assistance.
3. Simple, interesting activities that are
4. Encouragement of children to participate in a group activity by sharing and or displaying their activity projects.
5. Rewards that are identical and/or ribbons of the same color.

DO NOT JUDGE projects, but instead discuss them with the child. If counties have Mini 4-H animal exhibitions, additional requirements may apply for the safety of participants.

4-H PROJECT TABLE OF CONTENTS OVERVIEW

Project organization reflected is to simplify and support creativity in projects, focusing on project-based learning. Competitiveness and judging can be a component of learning and should be fun for 4-H members. Judges evaluating exhibits should recognize individual differences and creativity, using information in exhibit documents as a guide rather than requirements so that youth participate and learn how to follow guides while being included in 4-H!

Most projects are organized in a category of being able to be elevated to the Indiana State Fair. Please ask your club leader or the Extension Office for clarifications, we are here to assist. The intention is for youth to complete the projects of interest to him/her in a more straightforward manner and in a consistent manner across the State of Indiana. Many guidelines are sweeping and broad for the very reason of encouraging youth variety, growth, and inclusion. Guidelines for 4-H Projects can be found inside this handbook. Please check online for potential updates at:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/>

If updates occur, those updates on the website supersede this handbook. If a discrepancy in guidelines is discovered, please notify the Extension office and follow state guidelines.

All projects' offerings are based on volunteer leader skill certification.

Not all projects are offered at the county level.

Development of project offerings may be discussed by calling the Martin County Purdue Extension Office at 812-295-2412, Text 812-653-2089.

4-H Volunteer development is encouraged and desired.

If you need access to the internet or printed copies, please contact your club leader or the Extension Office and help will be provided!

4-H Project Table
Martin County 4-H Grand Champions
State Fair Advancement Details

	Project Name	Handbook Page Number	Martin County Grand Champions	State Fair Advancement Maximums
ANIMAL SCIENCE				
1	Animal Education	7	<u>11 Grand Champions</u> 1. Beef 2. Cat 3. Dairy Cattle 4. Dog 5. Goat 6. Horse 7. Llama 8. Poultry 9. Rabbit 10. Sheep 11. Swine	1 Beef entry per county. 3 Cat entries per county; one per level. 1 Dairy Cattle entry per county. 3 Dog entries per county; one per level. 1 Goat entry per county. 1 Horse entry per county. 3 Llama entries per county; one per level. 3 Poultry entries per county; one per level. 3 Rabbit entries per county; one per level. 1 Sheep entry per county. 1 Swine entry per county.
2	Beef	28	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
3	Cat	29	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
4	Dairy	31	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
5	Dairy Beef	31	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
6	Dairy Goats	32	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
7	Dog	32	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-

8	Horse and Pony	35	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
9	Llama and Alpaca	40	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
10	Meat Goats	32	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
11	Poultry	40	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
12	Pygmy Goats	32	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
13	Rabbit	42	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
14	Sheep	42	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
15	Swine	44	Live Animal Exhibition Guidelines	-
16	Vet Science	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
COMMUNICATION & EXPRESSIVE ARTS				
17	Arts and Crafts	7	1 Grand Champion	5 entries per county
18	Cake Decorating	7	1 Grand Champion	3 entries per county; one per level.
19	Communications	7	<u>5 Grand Champions</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstration 2. Informative 4-H Presentation 3. Professional Persuasive Presentation 4. Public Speaking 5. Creative Writing 	<p>Demonstration – 3 junior individuals, 3 senior individuals, 3 junior teams and 3 senior teams per county.</p> <p>Informative 4-H Presentation – 3 junior individuals, 3 senior individuals.</p> <p>Professional Persuasive Presentation – 3 junior, 3 senior, 3 junior teams and 3 senior teams per county per county.</p> <p>Public Speaking – 3 junior and 3 senior per county.</p> <p>Creative Writing – 3 exhibits per county, one per level.</p>

20	Construction & Architectural Replica	8	1 Grand Champion	1 entry per county.
21	Consumer Clothing Exhibit	8	1 Grand Champion	3 Notebooks per county, no clothing; one per level.
22	Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue	8	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level.
23	Fine Arts	8	1 Grand Champion	2 entries per county.
24	Home Environment	9	1 Grand Champion	6 per county; two per level.
25	Llama and Alpaca Craft	9	1 Grand Champion	3 entries per county; one per level.
26	Model Craft	9	1 Grand Champion	2 entries per county
27	Needle Craft	9	1 Grand Champion	2 entries per county
28	Performing Arts	-	Contest framework	Advance through Area Contest
29	Photography Exhibits of: Black and White Print Board Color Print Board Black and White Salon Print Color Salon Print Creative/Experimental Salon Print	9	1 Grand Champion	2 beginner per county. 3 intermediate per county. 3 advanced per county.
30	Sewing Skills & Techniques	9	<u>2 Grand Champions</u> 1. Sewing, Non-Wearable 2. Sewing, Wearable	Non-Wearable 10 exhibits per county; one per grade level Wearable: 5 junior exhibits per county; one per grade level 6 senior exhibits per county; one per category.
31	Sewing Fashion Revue	9	1 Grand Champion	6 senior exhibits per county with no more than two exhibits per category. An exhibitor may participate in only one senior fashion revue category at state fair.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note – State fair fashion revue grand champion will be selected from the six senior sewing category champions modeling their sewn garment or outfit
ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGICAL SCIENCE				
32	Aerospace	7	1 Grand Champion	3 rockets, drones, remote control aircraft, posters, notebooks or display boards per county; one per level.
33	Computer Science	7	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level.
34	Electric	8	1 Grand Champion	5 electric exhibits per county, one per level 1 electronic exhibit per county, level 5
35	Lawn and Garden Tractor Safety Operator Skills	9	<u>3 Grand Champions</u> 1. Educational Exhibit 2. Jr Lawn & Garden 3. Sr. Lawn & Garden	4 educational exhibits per county; one per level 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the county level to compete at the area level contest. 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the area level to compete at the state contest.
36	Small Engine	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level.
37	Tractor Safety and Operator Skills	10	<u>3 Grand Champions</u> 1. Educational Exhibit 2. Jr. Operator 3. Sr. Operator	4 educational exhibits per county; one per level 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the county level to compete at the area level contest. 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the area level to compete at the state contest.

38	Woodworking	10	1 Grand Champion	4 per county; one per level.
39	Zero-Turn Mower Safety and Operator Skills	10	<u>3 Grand Champions</u> 1. Educational Exhibit 2. Jr. Zero Turn 3. Sr. Zero Turn	4 educational exhibits per county; one per level 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the county level to compete at the area level contest. 3 junior and 3 senior driving contestants will qualify at the area level to compete at the state contest.
HEALTHY LIVING				
40	ATV Safety and Operating Skills	7	1 Grand Champion	3 posters, notebooks or display boards per county.
41	Bicycle	7	1 Grand Champion	No state fair entries.
42	Child Development	7	1 Grand Champion	4 entries per county; one per level.
43	Foods	8	2 Grand Champions 1. Foods, Baked 2. Foods, Preserved	<u>Foods, Baked</u> 2 Level A entries per county. 2 Level B entries per county. 3 Level C entries per county. 3 Level D entries per county. <u>Foods, Preserved</u> 2 Level A entries per county. 2 Level B entries per county. 3 Level C entries per county. 3 Level D entries per county.
44	Health	8	1 Grand Champion	3 exhibits per county; one per level.
45	Shooting Sports	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
46	Sportfishing	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level

LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP

47	Genealogy	8	1 Grand Champion	5 entries per county; one per division.
48	Junior Leaders	9	-	No state fair entries.
49	Leadership	9	1 Grand Champion	No state fair entries.

PLANT & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

50	Beekeeping	7	1 Grand Champion	1 educational exhibit per county. 1 honey exhibit per member, unlimited number of county entries.
51	Entomology	8	1 Grand Champion	3 collection exhibits per county, one per level 3 educational exhibits per county, one per level
52	Floriculture	8	<u>2 Grand Champions</u> 1. Floral 2. Educational Exhibit	8 floral exhibits per county, 2 per level 4 educational exhibits per county, 1 per level
53	Forestry	8	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
54	Garden	8	<u>6 Grand Champions</u> 1. Plate collection (includes 3, 4 & 5 Plates) 2. Single vegetable 3. Herb 4. Potato tray 5. Tomato plate 6. Educational exhibit	1 collection per member, unlimited number of county entries. 5 single vegetable entries per member, unlimited number of county entries. 3 herb entries per member, unlimited number of county entries. 1 potato tray entry per member, unlimited number of county entries.

				1 tomato plate entry per member, unlimited number of county entries. 1 educational exhibit entry per county.
55	Geology	8	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
56	Soil and Water Science	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
57	Weather and Climate Science	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level
58	Wildlife	10	1 Grand Champion	3 per county; one per level

Full listing of projects link: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/index.html>

4-H Project Guidelines, Score Cards, further information and skill sheets as applicable may be obtained for all:

4. Via the links below
5. From your 4-H Club Leader, or
6. Purdue Extension Martin County Office.



Animal specific details may be located at:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/animal-identification.html>

Animal Exhibition Departments

All animal science project details: at <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/animal-identification.html>

BEEF

Superintendent– Justin Clark

Assistant Superintendents– Caleb Richer & Richard Lingenfelter

1. All market beef animals must be tagged with official tag/s including RFID by tagging day, identified on 4honline, and entered into fair entry. DNA hair samples are also required by May 15 to be eligible to show at the Indiana State Fair.
2. All purebred cattle must have registration papers to Extension Office by June 20 to be shown in a purebred class. Registration papers must comply with state guidelines, including owner name.
3. Beef cattle must be tied with neck ties and rope halters. NO HORSE HALTERS.
4. Using a leather show halter to exhibit your animal is strongly recommended and encouraged.
5. The 840-RFID tag is required for all beef cattle on the fairgrounds.
6. Prospect steers and prospect heifers must have the 840 RFID tag, identified on 4honline by May 15 and entered on FairEntry between June 1 – 20. The 4-H member must be enrolled in accordance with county requirements.

Shown by breeds. 4-H members can only show a maximum of six market beef and six breeding heifers.

4-H Market Beef Classes: the market beef may be a steer or heifer. Heifers may only be designated by members choice as market or breeding upon Fair Entry by June 20th.

Weight classes will be broken at Fair with Champion of breeds and a Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef selected.

4-H Breeding Heifer Classes:

1. Junior heifer calves born January 1 to March 31, 2026
2. Winter heifer calves born November 1 to December 31, 2025
3. Senior heifer calves born September 1 to October 31, 2025
4. Late summer yearling heifers born July 1 to August 31, 2025
5. Early summer yearling heifers born May 1 to June 30, 2025
6. Spring yearling heifers born March 1 to April 30, 2025
7. Junior yearling heifers born January 1 to February 29, 2025
8. Senior yearling heifers born September 1 to December 31, 2024

Champion of each breed and commercial heifer will be awarded with Grand & Reserve Grand Heifer also being selected.

4-H Prospect Calf Classes:

1. Steer calves: Any steer born after January 1st of the current year. The calf must be weaned by Fair time and cannot be sold in the auction.
2. Heifer calves: Any heifer born after April 1st of the current year. The calf must be weaned by Fair time and cannot be sold in the auction.

ALL BEEF ANIMALS, INCLUDING PROSPECTS, MUST BE TAGGED WITH AN OFFICIAL RFID TAG, IDENTIFIED ON 4HONLINE & FAIR ENTRY BY RESPECTIVE DEADLINES.

Showmanship

Exhibitor can only enter once in showmanship class – ages as of January of the current year.

Mini – Members in Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade on January 1 of the current year.

Junior – 4-H members in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Intermediate – 4-H members in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Senior – 4-H members in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Master- See master showmanship description in this handbook.

Once a 4-Her has won a showmanship grade-based level, they must advance to the master's level in subsequent years only in that particular division. The successful winning exhibitor will remain in the master's level for the next year and future years of the showmanship class, until they advance to the grade level of the next division.

MARTIN COUNTY BORN AND RAISED CLASS

If the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef or the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Heifer was not born and raised in Martin County, then there will be a class held for market beef and breeding heifers born and raised exclusively in Martin County after the Grand Champion drive. A Martin County Born and Raised Champion Market Beef and Champion Breeding Heifer will be selected. **To be eligible for county born and raised, the animal must be born from a cow on your farm (or family farm) and raised on your farm (or family farm) and you must register the animal and submit its information by May 15th. Must enter into Martin County 4-H Born & Raised Class on Fair Entry by June 20th.**

CAT

Superintendent – Mimi Hawkins

1. Cat(s) may be purebred or grade animals (household pets).
2. Cat(s) must be owned, cared for, and shown by the 4-H member.
3. Each 4-Her's cat will be judged on a) health, b) cleanliness, c) grooming, d) personality, and e) if all categories are equal, the judge will choose a winner by its "star quality."
4. All 4-H cats must be brought and taken from the show in carriers. Cats on leashes without carrying cases will not be accepted.
5. Please do not use paper/cardboard boxes as carriers.
6. Harnesses should not be used because they interfere with judging. A leash and collar may be used but shall be removed for judging.
7. Cats will be brought the day of the show and shall be taken home after the completion of the show.
8. Pregnant or lactating female cats will not be permitted to show.
9. It is preferred that 4-H cats must have their claws clipped or be declawed.
10. It is recommended that 4-H cats, other than pedigreed breeding stock, be neutered or spayed.
11. 4-H cats must be free of fleas, fungus, ear mites, or other communicable diseases.
12. All cats 3 months of age and older must be vaccinated for rabies by a licensed and accredited veterinarian in accordance with the state rabies vaccination law.
13. Proof of completion of health requirements must be shown at time of check-in or prior as requested by the Superintendent: Form 4-H-777-W – "Certificate of Completion of Indiana Board of Animal Health Requirements for Exhibition of Cats" must be completed by your veterinarian and presented at check-in. Please note: the "Feline Leukemia Test" must be completed within 180 days before the show. The lack of an appropriately executed form will disqualify the exhibitor/cat from exhibition.

14. 4-H cats will be removed from their cages during judging. The 4-H member will be in control of his or her cat while being judged, then return the cat to its cage. If a 4-H cat is not on the judging table at the time the class is judged, it will not be judged.
15. The 4-Her and/or his/her parent(s) should not speak with the judge unless conversation is initiated by the judge.
16. 4-H cats shall never be left unattended.
17. 4-H Exhibitors must provide appropriate draping whether or not they are entered in the cage decorating class to prevent cats from coming in contact with one another. This procedure helps prevent the spread of air borne disease from sneezes or Male/Female attraction.
18. Judge's decisions are final.
19. To be eligible to be shown the cat or kitten must be at least 4 months old and have had its first distemper shot by the day of the show.
20. A 4-H member may enter and show a maximum of 1 cat in the 4-H cat show. A cat may be shown in only one cat composition type class.
21. Additional categories for age may be added at the discretion of the judge.
22. 4-Her must dress appropriately for show. No shorts allowed. Jeans/pants must be free of holes. Shirts are to be without design unless it is 4-H related.
23. A 4-Her/cat pair may participate in any combination (one, two or three) of the three classes: composition, showmanship and/or cage decoration.

4-H Cat Show Classifications

Ages: **Kittens** – cats aged 4 thru 7 months on day of show.

Adults – cats 8 months of age or older on show day.

Pedigree: **Purebred** – cats of a recognized breed, kept pure for many generations. If the cat is registered, it must have a current registration number from one of the national cat registries, such as Cat Fanciers Association.

Household Cats – sorted by hair coat, long haired or short haired.

The following is the class listing:

CT LK Long Hair Kitten

CT LC Long Hair Cat

CT SK Short Hair Kitten

CT SC Short Hair Cat

CT PK Purebred Kitten

CT PC Purebred Cat

Long Haired – cats whose coat has long top hairs, with a thick woolly undercoat. The length of hair on a cat's tail is often used as a determining factor. Hair length is normally 1-1/2" long or more.

Short Haired – cats whose coat has only short hairs, a smooth, textured coat. Cat tail hair is usually less than 1-1/2" in length.

Note: Indiana State Fair entry may be completed at www.Indianastatefair.com. Please refer to the online Indiana State Fair handbook for additional exhibit requirements and regulations because they may be different from the county fair exhibit classes.

Showmanship

Exhibitor can only enter one cat in showmanship class – ages as of January of the current year.

Mini – Members in Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade on January 1 of the current year.

Junior – 4-H members in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Intermediate – 4-H members in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade on January 1 of the current year.
Senior – 4-H members in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade on January 1 of the current year.

1. Reference material may not be used during the activity by the participants.
2. Questions of the activity will likely be taken from one or more of the following publications
 - a. Mini & Juniors (Level 1) BU-8148 (Grades 3,4,5) – Purrr-fect Pals!
 - b. Intermediates (Level 2) BU-8148, BU-8149 (Grades 6, 7, 8) – Purrr-fect Pals! and Climbing Up!
 - c. Seniors (Level 3) BU-8148, BU-8149, BU-8150 (Grades 9 and above) – Purrr-fect Pals!, Climbing Up!, Leaping Forward
3. Showmanship Judging
 - a. Showing your cat
 - b. Cleanliness of your cat
 - c. Oral questions about the cat and/or cat project

Once a 4-Her has won a showmanship grade-based level, they must advance to the next level in subsequent years. The successful winning exhibitor will remain in the advanced level for the next year and future years of the showmanship class, until they win again or advance to the next grade level.

Cage Decoration Class

Cat cage decoration is an optional activity for 4-H members with a cat entered in the cat show. If a 4-H member chooses not to decorate the cage, he/she must plan to bring a sheeting or material with which to cover the inside of the cage.

DAIRY CATTLE

Superintendent– Justin Clark

Assistant Superintendents– Caleb Richer & Richard Lingenfelter

Shown by Breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn.

1. dairy cattle must comply with identification guidelines.
2. The 840-RFID tag is required for dairy cattle.

All leased dairy animals are required to have lease papers on file at 4-H office. Age Group Classes

1. Spring calf– born March 1, or later.
2. Winter calf—born Dec. 1 to Feb. 28.
3. Fall calf– born Sept. 1 to Nov. 30.
4. Summer yearling– born June 1 to Aug. 1.
5. Spring yearling– born Mar. 1 to May 31.
6. Winter yearling– born Dec. 1 to February 28.
7. Fall yearling– born Sept. 1 to Nov. 20.
8. Jr. 2-yr-old cow– born Mar. 1 to Aug. 31.
9. Sr. 2-yr-old cow– born Sept. 1 to Feb. 28.
10. 3-yr-old cow– born Sept. 1 to Aug. 31.
11. 4-yr-old cow– born Sept. 1 to Aug. 31.
12. Aged cow– born prior to Aug. 31.
13. Dry cow—2 yrs. old or older, but not in production.
14. Champion female by breeds

DOG

Superintendent: Pending

Please contact the Extension Educator at 812-295-2412 or heldd@purdue.edu for most up to date details.

GOAT

(Dairy Goats, Boer/Market, Pygmy Goats)

Superintendent: Mitch Green

The 4-H goat educational program and related activities (such as workshops, tours) provides youth a fun and hands-on learning experience which develops both goat subject skills (such as nutrition housing, and healthcare) and life skills such as responsibility, decision making, nurturing and communications) under the direction of caring adults.

Feeding and Care of Animals at the Fair

- 4-H members are responsible for the daily feeding and care of their animals during the 4-H fair week.
- All goats should be fed and pens clean before 6:00 pm each evening during the fair by the 4-H member.
- No Animals are allowed out of pens from 6:00-9:00 pm.
- 4-H exhibitors are responsible for unruly animals, pen area and general maintenance of goat project.
- If a 4-H Goats does not meet health/nutritional requirements, it can be asked to leave according to the Sick Animal Protocol.
- Please read the section on “Ethical treatment of Animals.”

General Goats Rules

1. All goats must be identified online by May 15, unless required to attend County Identification, then it will be the date that comes first.
2. On day of show, all members must enter the show ring and show their own animals or have the assistance of other 4-H Goat members.
3. Owners who wish to use microchips instead or a permanent ID must provide the scanner to read the micro-chip at the designated ID check date, before May 15.
4. All 4-H exhibitors must have a Premise I.D. number when completing online Animal Identification.
5. All Registered animals must have a copy of registration papers to the Extension Office by the business day on June 20, or will be shown as unregistered.
6. Pens will be used to full capacity. Pens will be assigned by the Superintendent.
7. All purebred breeding animals must follow breed association rules on breed eligibility, and be registered correctly to show in Indiana 4-H programming.
8. When enrolling “pending birth” entries, the dam’s registration number needs to be under on the 4-H animal ID website, and put the doe to kid after May 15 deadline, mark the gender as female in case you want to show doeling at county/state fair. Wethers will not be allowed to show at the county and/or state fair if not tagged appropriately at the designated tag in date before May 15.
9. All goat exhibitors at the Martin County 4-H fair must have class entry completed on FairEntry before the publicized deadlines.

10. The Extension Educator and Superintendent reserve the right to make further divisions in age breaks classes.
11. All goat wethers (Dairy and Market) will be weighed in 30 min after check-in is complete on check-in. All Dairy/ Market must weigh a minimum of 40 lbs. at fair. Exception to Nigerian Dwarf: need to weigh a healthy weight for the age (30-50 lbs. at six months).

Dairy Division

- All Breeds of Dairy Goats will show in the respective breed classes and age breaks. Breeds: Nubian, Alpine, LaMancha, Obehasli, Toggenburg, Saanen, Sable, Nigerian Dwarf, Recorded Grade, Commercial, etc.
- All crossbred dairy-type goats must be 100% dairy-type blood. Crossbred goats that have meat type blood must show in the meat-type show (i.e., Boer show). Each breed will show all the Senior Dairy Does, and pick the Champion Titles for the Senior Dairy Doe. Then breeds will show the junior dairy does, and pick the Champion Titles for Junior Dairy Doe.

Classes

Senior Dairy Doe Division (Milking)

- Milking Yearling under 2 years and has freshened
- 2 years and under 3 years Old
- 3 years to 5 years old
- Aged does (5 years and up)

Champion and Reserve champion senior doe will be picked from the class winners.

Junior Dairy Doe Division (Dry)

- Junior Kids- April 1 – current year
 - Intermediate kids – March 1 – March 31 current year
 - Senior Kids- January 1 - February 28 current year
 - Dry Yearling Large – under 2 years of age never freshened previous year
- Champion and Reserve champion Junior Doe will be picked from the class winner.

Grand and Reserve Grand champions will be picked from the champions.

Dairy Wethers

- Dairy Wethers will be shown by weight. All breeds of dairy wethers will be shown together. Must be 100% dairy blood; those crossed with-type goats must show as a meat-type wether (i.e., boer).
- Dairy Wethers must be Slick-shorn.
- Dairy Wethers must have milk teeth and no missing teeth to show and be under one year of age.
- All wethers showing and/or selling in the auction must weigh a minimum of 40 pounds.
- Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Wether will be chosen from the first and second placing from each of the class break winners.
- LaMancha dairy wethers will have a tail tattoo.
- All Dairy goats must be polled or dehorned. Any dairy goat wether with scurs greater than 1 inch will not be allowed to show.

Pygmy Division

Class breaks offered for this division: (Ages will be determined for classes based on the date of the show at the 4-H fair.)

Junior Pygmy Does

- Junior Doe Kids- under 3 months
 - Intermediate Doe Kids – 3 months to under 6 months
 - Senior Doe Kids – 6 months to under 9 months
 - Advanced Senior Doe Kid- 9 months to under 12 months
 - Junior Unfreshened Yearlings- 12 months to under 18 months
 - Senior Unfreshened Yearling –18 months to under 24 months
- Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Doe

Senior Pygmy Does

- Junior Freshened Does
- Senior Freshened Does
- Two-year-Old Does
- Three-Year-Old Does
- Four-Year-Old Does
- Does Five Years Old and Over

Champion and Reserve will be picked from the class winner.

Grand and Reverse Grand Champion will be pick for the Champions.

Pygmy Wethers

Pygmy Wethers will be shown by AGE

Classes: Junior Wether- One year old or younger, Senior Wether - Over one year of age

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Wether will be chosen from the class winner.

Boer Divisions

- The Boer goats breed will be broken down into three divisions: Full blood/ purebred (100%-93.7%), Percentages (93.6%-50%), and Commercials (of non- registered Boer/Meat Goats genetics).
- For information on proof of registrations see rule #5. If there are no papers available, the doe must show in the commercial division.
- 4-H member must have registration paper that shows correct ownership approved in the 4-H handbook.
- Meat Goat Genetics Consisting of Boer, Kiko, Spanish, Mytonic, and other breeds will show the Boer Goat Division. However, all term will be related to Boer Goat Genetics.

Class Breaks will be used for all three Divisions (ages will be determined for classes based on the date of the show at the fair).

Junior Boer Does

- Under 3 months of age on the day of the show
- 3-6 months of age
- 6-9 months of age
- 9-12 months of age

Yearling Boer Does

- 12-16 months of age
- 16-20 Months of age
- 20-24 Months of age

Senior Does

- 24-36 months of age
- 36 and older

Each class winner will go in for the division. The division will come back out for the champion. The champion will come back out for the Supreme Doe.

Meat Goat Wether and Wether Dam

- Market does and wethers will be shown together.
- Market goats will be shown by weight.
- Market goats must weigh a minimum of 40 lbs. to be shown.
- Market goats must be slick-shorn.
- Market goats must have milk teeth and no missing teeth to show.
- All percentages, full bloods and Commercial goats will be shown together.
- Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market goats will be chosen from the first and second placing from each of the class break winners.

Showmanship

Exhibitor can only enter once in showmanship class – ages as of January of the current year.

Mini – Members in Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade on January 1 of the current year.

Junior – 4-H members in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Intermediate – 4-H members in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Senior – 4-H members in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Master- See master showmanship description in this handbook.

Once a 4-Her has won a showmanship grade-based level, they must advance to the master's level in subsequent years only in that particular division. The successful winning exhibitor will remain in the master's level for the next year and future years of the showmanship class, until they advance to the grade level of the next division.

HORSE & PONY

Co-Superintendents: Candace Clark & Jill Phillips

The Martin 4-H Horse & Pony Project and Show will be conducted according to the current Indiana 4-H Horse & Pony Handbook and Indiana 4-H standards, guidelines and policies which apply. Exhibitors and families should consult those for the specifics governing enrollment, eligibility, class procedure, tack, attire, behavioral expectations, etc.

Special reiteration of State Horse & Pony Handbook 4-H rules, policies, procedures, and/or county specifics:

1. All are expected to follow the rules, policies, and expectations of the 4-H program and to conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner by exhibiting good sportsmanship and behavior. Failure to do so may result in sanctions, discipline, and/or dismissal from the event, class, or program. This expectation applies year-round, not just during the 4-H Fair and show.
2. Abuse of an animal will not be tolerated (including, but not limited to, hitting, whipping, or spurring in front of the cinch). Abusive acts will be referred to the Extension Educator for appropriate action.
3. No one may coach or give instruction to 4-H members once they have entered the show arena. If coaching or instruction occurs, the 4-H member may be disqualified.
4. Official announcements regarding delays or cancellations of events will come from the superintendents, the 4-H Council President, and the Extension Educator. Weather-related emergencies will follow Emergency Management direction and safety plans. Activities, including show delays, may occur without additional advance details due to the emergent nature and timing of communications.

5. Age divisions for Martin County 4-H Horse and Pony members will follow Indiana 4-H age divisions unless the number of enrolled members warrants moving to a two-division format. This determination will be made in the spring by the superintendents and Extension Educator and then communicated.

Three (3) divisions:

Junior: Grades 3–5

Intermediate: Grades 6–8

Senior: Grades 9–12

If divided into two (2) divisions:

Junior: Grades 3–5

Intermediate/Senior: Grades 6–12

6. Mini 4-H includes Kindergarten through 2nd grade and follows Mini 4-H non-competitive guidelines and 4-H policies.
7. 4-H members must show in one (1) halter or ground class.
8. 4-H members may exhibit only one (1) horse per class.
9. A maximum of three (3) animals may be enrolled per 4-H member.
10. 4-H members may show in only one trail class, either Trail or Trail In-Hand.
11. The purpose of the walk/trot class is to encourage exhibitors to participate in and experience show competition, even if they or their horse are not yet ready to safely lope in traffic. Riders may not cross-enter into any class where a lope is required, even if riding a different horse. This restriction does not apply to the Contesting Show (barrels, flags, poles, speed and action, and keyhole).
12. Failure of a 4-H member to respond to the second call to the show ring may result in the class continuing without that member, at the judge's discretion.
13. Safety is the top priority. Superintendents will assess safety for all classes, and members shall take reasonable steps to ensure safety in all events, programs, and classes.
14. All safety rules must be followed without exception.
15. All horses must enter the show ring in a calm and controlled manner at a walk. For contesting shows only, horses may be led into the ring by the rider and mounted inside the ring, with or without assistance from an adult.
16. Horses shown in contesting events may be dismounted inside the show ring and led out by the rider.
17. Riding double is not permitted.
18. When mounted, riders must keep one leg on each side of the animal and sit correctly in the saddle.
19. Only 4-H members who have a specific horse enrolled may be mounted on that horse.
20. Bareback riding is allowed if done in a safe manner.
21. Riding attire may be relaxed due to heat or related conditions. It is the responsibility of each 4-H member to have appropriate attire options available. For example, a short-sleeved western shirt may be permitted in place of a long-sleeved western shirt, or a t-shirt may be allowed for contesting events, provided it is in good condition. All attire must be appropriate.
22. Approved headgear and footwear are required for handlers and mounted members.
23. While on the 4-H fairgrounds, horses may not be ridden, lunged, or driven by anyone other than the 4-H Horse and Pony member, the member's parent, or a 4-H Horse and Pony leader or certified volunteer, and only with full consent of the Horse and Pony parents. The 4-H member should be the primary handler, as the project is intended to be a learning experience.
24. Horses may be ridden only in designated areas. Riding is not permitted in any barn, the track area, or beyond the Horse & Pony arena. Horses may be ridden at a walk only in the grassy area outside the Horse & Pony barn.
25. Stallions are not permitted, except in a mare/foal class if offered, and only if the foal is less than one (1) year old.
26. Each member is responsible for their animal and tack.
27. Stalls must be kept clean at all times.

28. All animals must be fed and watered at least twice daily by their owner or as specifically arranged by the owner. Any concerns regarding an animal's care or condition should be communicated to the superintendents or Extension Educator.
29. Failure to clean stalls or failure to keep a horse in the barn for the designated time may result in disqualification.
30. All stalls must display an emergency contact information sheet.
31. Smoking is prohibited in the barn at all times.
32. No animals other than certified service animals are permitted in the Horse barn.
33. All Horse & Pony 4-H members are expected to assist with set-up and clean-up. Members who do not assist will have five (5) points deducted for set-up and five (5) points deducted for clean-up from Horse & Pony High Point Award calculations.

Show Order & FairEntry Horse & Pony Breakdowns

Day 1 of 2 Contesting Show:

1. Keyhole Senior
2. Keyhole Intermediate
3. Keyhole Junior
4. Speed and Action Senior
5. Speed and Action Intermediate
6. Speed and Action Junior
7. Barrels Senior
8. Barrels Intermediate
9. Barrels Junior
10. Barrels Mini 4-H Members Leadline
11. Flags Senior
12. Flags Intermediate
13. Flags Junior
14. Poles Senior
15. Poles Intermediate
16. Poles Junior
17. Poles Mini 4-H Members Leadline

* Day 1 class results will be announced and awarded 15 minutes following the conclusion of the Day 1 Show.

Day 2 of 2 Performance Show:

18. Mare Halter
19. Gelding Halter
20. Showmanship Senior
21. Showmanship Intermediate
22. Showmanship Junior
23. Showmanship Mini 4-H Members
24. Showmanship Mentor 4-H Members
25. Ranch Pleasure Senior
26. Ranch Pleasure Intermediate
27. Ranch Pleasure Junior
28. Walk/Trot Ranch Pleasure
29. Leadline Mini 4-H Members
30. Horsemanship Senior
31. Horsemanship Intermediate

- 32. Horsemanship Junior
- 33. Trail
- 34. Trail In-hand
- 35. Reinsmanship
- 36. English Hunter Pleasure
- 37. English Hunter Equitation
- 38. Hunter Hack

Patterns in applicable classes will be selected by the Judge and accessible to all from the Extension Educator at the same time the day of the Show.

Horse & Pony 4-H Cumulative Awards

High Point Performance Riders

An award will be presented to one Junior, one Intermediate, and one Senior member (unless classes are combined, in which case the award structure will follow the combined classes).

This award is based on points accumulated in the Performance Show using a six-point system:

First Place – 6 points

Second Place – 5 points

Third Place – 4 points

Fourth Place – 3 points

Fifth Place – 2 points

Sixth Place – 1 point

High Point Contesting Riders

An award will be presented to one Junior, one Intermediate, and one Senior member (unless classes are combined, in which case the award structure will follow the combined classes).

Points are accumulated in the Contesting Show using the six-point system outlined above.

High Point English Rider

An award will be presented to one member based on points accumulated in the English Show, using the same six-point system.

Outstanding Horse & Pony 4-H Jr., Intermediate, & Senior Riders

An award will be presented to one Junior, one Intermediate, and one Senior member (unless classes are combined, in which case the award structure will follow the combined classes).

Points are accumulated for the complete show points using the six-point system outlined above.

Outstanding Horse & Pony 4-H Awesome Attitude Award

This award will be presented to one 4-H member who demonstrates outstanding overall involvement and a consistently positive attitude throughout the current 4-H year. Consideration includes encouragement of others and exemplary care and sportsmanship toward equine partners. Recipient selection is determined by 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders and the Extension Educator, with input from the 4-H Judge.

Additional Award Guidelines

1. Only one (1) halter class per exhibitor will be included in the point tally for High Point Awards.
2. If an exhibitor participates in more than one (1) halter class, the class earning the highest point value will be used in the High Point Award calculation.
3. In the event of a tie for any cumulative award, all tied exhibitors will receive the award.

Award Presentation

Cumulative year end awards will be presented at the Fall Achievement Awards Program or at a Martin County 4-H Horse & Pony Club–hosted event, as announced.

Presenting Flags and Drill Team

1. Member Opportunities

To the greatest extent possible, 4-H members will be provided opportunities to present flags at the 4-H Fair and other approved events.

- a. Priority for carrying flags on horseback will be given to Intermediate and Senior 4-H members, based on seniority.
- b. Junior 4-H members will be given opportunities to present flags on foot.

2. Equipment

4-H will provide flag holders, as available, to be secured to stirrups. Flags are not to be placed in boots.

3. Safety Practice Requirement

Prior to presenting a flag on horseback, the 4-H member and horse combination must attend a required safety practice with the Superintendents. The member must demonstrate the ability to safely carry the flag, maintain control of the horse while riding one-handed, and ensure the horse remains calm and responsive.

a. U.S. Flag Requirements

To carry the U.S. flag, the 4-H member and horse combination must demonstrate the ability to canter/lope for a minimum of five (5) laps along the outside edge of the arena in a controlled and collected manner.

b. Indiana State and 4-H Flag Requirements

To carry the Indiana State or 4-H flag, the 4-H member and horse combination must demonstrate the ability to:

- 1) Walk a minimum of three (3) laps along the outside edge of the arena in a controlled and collected manner; and
- 2) Stand in the center of the arena for at least two (2) minutes with minimal movement.

Horseless Horse and Pony / Mentorship

Membership, Mentorship and Pairing

1. Horseless Horse members must be enrolled in 4-H, not a Mini 4-H member.
2. A Horseless Horse activity is a 4-H member who does not have one-on-one access to a horse. Neither the member nor their immediate family currently owns, manages, or leases a horse.
3. All Horseless Horse activity members must comply with 4-H Horse Project rules and requirements.
4. Pairing of Horseless Horse members with horse-owning youth or volunteers is the responsibility of the individuals involved in forming the agreement. Horse and Pony Leaders will assist, to the best of their ability, in identifying potential matches.

5. Two Horseless Horse members may not work with or show the same horse.
6. Horseless Horse members are expected to actively work with the horse owner or mentor to learn proper horse care and handling, including grooming, tacking, riding, and cleanup.
7. Horseless Horse members are encouraged to participate fully in Horse and Pony project meetings, practices, and educational activities.

Riding and Safety

1. Horseless Horse members may not lope or canter at any 4-H-sponsored event or activity.
2. Horseless Horse members may ride at the 4-H Fairgrounds only during designated Horse and Pony practices, and only when all of the following are present:
 1. A minimum of two (2) certified Horse and Pony volunteers
 2. The adult owner of the horse
 3. The assigned 4-H mentor

Show and Fair Participation

1. Horseless Horse members may only show in the Mentor Showmanship class during the 4-H Fair.
2. The horse owning member is in the ring and within close proximity of the mentored member and horse during the Mentor Showmanship class.
3. Horseless Horse members are encouraged to share their learning through the Animal Education Horse Poster. Refer to the *Animal Education Poster* section of the handbook for additional details.

LLAMA & ALPACA

Must exhibit in a secondary 4-H county. Please discuss options with the County Extension Director.

POULTRY

Superintendent: Sarah Sexton
 Assistant: Shelby McAtee
 Consultant: Shelly Ringwald

Indiana defines poultry as: chickens, turkeys, ostriches, emus, rheas, cassowaries, waterfowl (domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks, geese and swans), and game birds (domesticated fowl such as pheasants, peafowl, partridge, quail, grouse, and guineas) but NOT doves and pigeons.

According to Indiana Game Breeder License Law 312 IAC 9-10-4 Section 4 if you acquire a live game bird (ring-necked pheasant, bobwhite quail, including subspecies and color phases) or purchase a live game bird, you must apply for a game breeder's license with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) within 5 days. The possession of wild turkeys or ruffed grouse is prohibited under any circumstances.

https://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/files/fw-Game_Breeders_License_Laws.pdf

All poultry, except waterfowl, presented for exhibition must meet one of the following requirements:

- a. Test negative for pullorum-typhoid within 90 days prior to the date of their exhibition.
- b. Be hatched from eggs originating from certified NPIP pullorum-typhoid clean flocks.
- c. Originate from a flock where the entire flock is certified NPIP pullorum-typhoid clean.

Pullorum-Typhoid Testing for 2026 Indiana County and State Fair Exhibitions and Poultry Shows
Beginning April 1, 2021, ALL POULTRY shown at an Exhibition event, County Fair or State Fair must have originated directly from an NPIP P-T certified clean flock within (1) year prior to the date of the event or have had a negative P-T Test within 90 (ninety) days prior to the date of the event.
The full announcement can be found at <https://www.inpoultry.com/>

ALL POULTRY, WATERFOWL, AND TURKEYS WILL BE JUDGED ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN POULTRY ASSOCIATION STANDARD OF PERFECTION or THE BANTAM STANDARD OF PERFECTION. ALL JUDGING IS FINAL.

Exhibit Requirements:

1. All poultry, except waterfowl, must be tested for Pullorum-Typhoid within ninety (90) days of the County Fair, unless the birds come from a certified hatchery that is Pullorum-Typhoid Clean. Exhibitors must call the hatchery for the number to verify the birds are Pullorum-Typhoid Clean.
2. All health papers MUST be presented by June 20 prior to check-in as communicated. NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. Crossbreeds must enter Commercial Class.
4. No meat pens.
5. You may bring up to (10) chickens.

1. **BANTAMS**

The classes will be as follows: modern game, old English and American, single comb clean leg, rose comb clean leg, all other comb clean leg, feather leg and Bantam duck.

2. **LARGE FOWL**

The classes will be as follows: English, American, Asiatic, Continental, Mediterranean, and All Other Standard Breeds (AOSB).

3. **PIGEONS**

May exhibit one (1) male or female.

4. **GAMEBIRDS**

May exhibit one (1) male or female.
Exception – Peafowl – one (1) Peahen only.

5. **TURKEYS – FANCY**

May exhibit only one (1) male or female.

6. **TURKEYS – PRODUCTION**

May exhibit only one (1) male or female.

7. **WATERFOWL**

May exhibit ONE (1) duck and ONE (1) goose.

8. **COMMERCIAL CLASS**

May exhibit one (1) Large Fowl or (1) Bantam chicken male or female.

9. **CHICKEN EGGS**

A member may enter six (6) Large Fowl or (6) Bantam eggs in each class. Eggs must be uniform in color, shape, and size.

White Shell Class, (6 eggs)

Brown Shell Class, (6 eggs)
All Other Class, (6 eggs)

Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be awarded as follows:

1. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Bantam Poultry
2. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Large Fowl Poultry
3. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Pigeon
4. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Fancy Turkey
5. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Production Turkey
6. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Waterfowl
7. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Gamebird
8. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Commercial
9. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Chicken Egg

Best of Show & Reserve Best of Show will be chosen from Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion out of all classes EXCEPT Commercial Class and Chicken Egg Class.

RABBITS

Superintendent: Sarha Jones

1. Any rabbit that has a disease or is unhealthy will be excused from exhibition and must be removed.
2. Possession date is by May 15th.
3. No crossbreeds in any class.
4. All 4-H rabbit exhibitors must keep their rabbit fed and watered and provide a clean pen at all times.
5. All 4-H members are responsible on show day for bringing their 4-H rabbits to and from the judging table. Only 4-H members may show rabbits at the judging table, no adults. Classes will be called only three (3) times before judging begins.
6. All classes will be judged according to ages and weights as established by the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc. Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex will be selected according to the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc. Standard of Perfection.
7. Exhibitors can take Senior & Junior Buck or Senior & Junior Doe, any breed or variety. No crossbreeds.
8. Tattoo in the rabbit's left ear recommended and follow ARBA rules.
9. Each 4-Her is limited to a total of eight (8) rabbits.
10. All members must put wood shavings into the box underneath the cage at the beginning of fair and clean it daily.

SHEEP

Superintendent: Mitch Green

1. Each Member must own his/her exhibit and must have them in their possession, tagged, enrolled and identified on 4honline by May 15. All animals that plan on showing at the State Fair MUST meet state fair identification requirements.
2. All market ewes must be declared at fair weigh-in; otherwise, they will be shown as breeding stock.
3. All sheep must be identified with a 4-H ear tag as previously outlined. If 4-H ear tag is lost, contact the 4-H office and the 4-H leader ASAP. 4-H Sheep arriving at the Fair with no 4-H tag and no prior notification of lost tag will not be allowed to exhibit.

4. All Sheep must be identified on 4honline and FairEntry by the stated deadlines.
5. Ewe Lambs can be exhibited as either breeding ewes or market lambs, but not both.
If an ewe is exhibited as a market lamb, it cannot be brought back the next year as a yearling.
6. All market wethers showing evidence of testicular tissue will be disqualified and removed from the fairgrounds immediately. (NO RAMS)
7. Prior to lamb entering the sheep barn, they must be checked and approved by the livestock committee. No blankets or tubes at the time of check-in.
8. Lambs will be sifted for infections contagious diseases and underweight conditions. Lambs not approved must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.
9. All market lambs must arrive slick shorn by breed characteristics with NO wool above the hock and knee. Breeding ewes must arrive show ready.
10. All market lambs must weigh at least 70 lbs. at fair.
11. ANIMAL AGES
Lambs –born after Sept 1, previous year
Yearling-born prior to Sept 1, previous year
12. Market lambs will be weighed at a time to be announced, for the show weight.
13. All sheep tails must be docked, UNLESS it a breed Characteristics.
14. Breeding ewes shall show by breed. Member must have paper on file with the superintendent. Or they will be showing under the crossbreed class.
15. Breeds will be shown in alphabetical order. Show will be posted the night before the show if at all possible.
16. Decisions of judge shall be final. Show Superintendent and Livestock Committee will handle any disputes.
17. Any Sheep member using excessive abuse on their exhibit animals will be disqualified immediately.
18. The use of ice, ice water, alcohol, Freon, or any other refrigerant to the hide of the lamb is strictly prohibited. This deceptive, fraudulent practice will cause the member and their animals to be disqualified immediately.
19. Any 4-H Sheep Member not bringing a Lamb for exhibition is highly encouraged to complete an educational sheep poster. Poster must be turned in with all other static projects and will be judged.
20. Pens will be used to full capacity. Pens will be assigned by the Superintendent.
NOTE: All Classes Will Be Held in This Order.

Breeding Classes

1. Register Ewe lamb Spring – Fall
2. Crossbred Ewe Lambs
3. Register Yearling Ewe Lambs
4. Crossbred Yearling Ewes Lamb
5. Champion and Reserve
6. Supreme Ewe and Reserve Supreme Ewe

Market Lamb Class:

- All Lambs will be shown by weight.
- Class will go out for Grand and Res. Grand Champion Market Lamb

Showmanship

Exhibitor can only enter once in showmanship class – ages as of January of the current year.

Mini – Members in Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade on January 1 of the current year.

Junior – 4-H members in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Intermediate – 4-H members in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Senior – 4-H members in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Master- See master showmanship description in this handbook.

Once a 4-Her has won a showmanship grade-based level, they must advance to the master's level in subsequent years only in that particular division. The successful winning exhibitor will remain in the master's level for the next year and future years of the showmanship class, until they advance to the grade level of the next division.

SWINE

Co-Superintendents: John Lindsey, Abbey Lindsey & John Hart

Pre-Fair, Check in & General Swine Information

Each 4-Her is limited to a total of five (5) pigs.

If showing three (3) swine, they all must go into one (1) pen at the Fair, unless pens are available and as coordinated with the Superintendents.

4-H Barrows, 4-H Breeding Gilts & 4-H Market Gilts are to be farrowed after December 1 of the prior year.

Swine tags are to be obtained through county official distribution and to be applied by May 15th and no animals to be checked in at the 4-H Fair livestock check-in without tags applied. The worksheet is not required but is a helpful option for families and is available at: https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/_docs/projects/swine/swine-id-worksheet.pdf

All swine must follow BOAH and 4-H animal identification outlines, including ear notches and RFID. All swine, including registered gilts, that are to be exhibited at the Fair must have proper tagging per the animal ID guidelines, identified on 4honline and Fair Entry. Tag distribution will follow announced tagging information and deadlines. Swine going to the Indiana State Fair must also provide DNA hair sample by May 15th.

If a pig loses its tag before the Fair, please contact the Extension Office immediately to get it replaced. Again, pigs must be tagged prior to being weighed/checked in.

Exhibitors are to provide registration papers by **June 20th** in proper naming and with proper identification to exhibit their gilts or barrows in a purebred class.

All 4-H members must weigh all their pigs at fair check-in because most classes are determined by the weights of the animals **and** to determine Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion eligibility. ***This includes registered gilts. There is a weight minimum and maximum as well so they must be weighed.***

No reweigh of a pig if it is 10 pounds over the weight limit.

There will be breed classes as long as registration papers and proper identification are verified.

Pigs and pens need to be cleaned by 6 p.m. during the Fair. All pigs must be in their pens from 6-9 pm. On show nights, pigs must be in their pens two hours before show start time.

Whips are allowed.

Clipping is allowed, but must leave a minimum of one-half inch of hair on the pig's body.

No oil-based products. Use of oil base products will result in disqualification.

On the night of the swine show and the night of the auction, exhibitors and others must exit the swine barn/movement areas during the show and auction when they are done showing/selling their animal to eliminate foot traffic and confusion when trying to move other 4-Hers' pigs.

All Breeding gilts to be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Breeding gilt must follow the weight limits as defined by the Indiana State Fair. They must weigh at least 200 pounds with 360 lbs. maximum weight. There will be classes for other weights, but they will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion.

Registered breeding gilts will be shown by breed first and then by age. Crossbred gilts and Crossbred barrows will be shown by weight. Registered barrows will be shown by breed and then by weight.

Show order & Fair Entry Breakdowns

1. Registered Breeding Gilts

Shown by breed, then weight, then by age. Proper registration papers required.

2. Crossbred Breeding Gilts

Shown by weight.

3. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilts Drive

Every breeding gilt Champion that meets the weight requirements. Once the Grand Champion is selected, the Reserve Champion of the breed will enter for the Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilt if it also meets the weight requirements.

4. Registered Market Gilts

Shown by breed, then by weight. Proper registration papers required.

Registered Market Gilts will be judged as a market animal and so to be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Registered Market Gilt must follow the weight limits of 230-290 (market barrows as defined by Indiana State Fair). There will be classes for other weights, but they will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion.

5. Crossbred Market Gilts

Shown by weight.

Market Gilts will be judged as a market animal and so to be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt must follow the weight limits of 230-290 (market barrows as defined by Indiana State Fair). There will be classes for other weights, but they will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion.

6. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilts

Every market gilt Champion that meets the weight requirements. Once the Grand Champion is selected, the Reserve Champion of the breed will enter for the Reserve Grand Champion Market

Gilt for a chance to receive Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt if it also meets the weight requirements.

7. Registered Market Barrows

Shown by breed, then by weight.

Registered barrows to be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Barrow must follow the weight limits as defined by State Fair, 230-290 lbs. There will be classes for other weights, but they will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion barrow.

8. Crossbred Market Barrows

Shown by weight.

Crossbred barrows to be eligible for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Barrow must follow the weight limits as defined by Indiana State Fair, 230-290 lbs. There will be classes for other weights, but they will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Barrow.

9. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Barrows

Every barrow champion that meets the weight requirements. Once the Grand Champion is selected, the reserve champion of the breed will enter for the reserve grand champion market barrow if it also meets the weight requirements.

10. Showmanship

Showmanship exhibitors are responsible for getting their project to the arena as it is a part of showmanship to show the judge how effectively they can enter their animal into the arena in a timely manner.

Exhibitors may enter once in showmanship class – ages as of January of the current year.

Mini – Members in Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade on January 1 of the current year.

Junior – 4-H members in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Intermediate – 4-H members in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Senior – 4-H members in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade on January 1 of the current year.

Master- Qualification class based on Junior, Intermediate & Senior classes.

See master showmanship description in this handbook.

Once a 4-Her has won a showmanship grade-based level, they must advance to the master's level in subsequent years only in that particular division. The successful winning exhibitor will remain in the master's level for the next year and future years of the showmanship class, until they advance to the grade level of the next division.

JUDGING PHILOSOPHY

MESSAGE TO 4-H PARENTS AND LEADERS:

Each child is an individual of utmost importance. Keeping this in mind, the parent and leader should try to make 4-H a positive learning experience. Part of this experience is the 4-H exhibit. The 4-H exhibit is not an end in itself, nor does it measure all the learning that takes place in the 4-H project. The exhibit is only one measure of success. Self-recognition, self-satisfaction, and the learning from completing the project are important rewards.

1. Discuss the purpose of judging with the 4-Hers:
 - a. To evaluate the exhibit which is an example of the child's work.
 - b. To help each member see the progress that he/she has made and put judging results in perspective.
2. Help the child set realistic goals for himself/herself according to his/her own age and experience.
3. Be sure that your goals for the child are in line with his/her own age and experience.

4. Recognize good work. Give constructive criticism.
5. Be familiar with the guidelines criteria of the 4-H project that is to be judged.
6. Be familiar with several methods of accomplishing the desired result.
7. Stress that judging comments can be helpful, but they are only one person's evaluation.
8. In competition, avoid over-emphasis of the winner. Help the child accept the results of the competition and realize everyone is a winner through his/her own accomplishments.

MESSAGE TO THE 4-HER:

Judging is a learning experience. From it, you can learn what you did well and how you can improve. An exhibit does not measure all you have learned, but it is an example showing what you have done.

1. Learn good sportsmanship.
2. Accept constructive criticism, and learn from it.
3. Remember, judging comments can be helpful, but they are only one person's evaluation.
4. Realize people sometimes make mistakes.

MARTIN COUNTY GENERAL INFORMATION

1. To receive the full 4-H participation experience, enrollment is encouraged to be completed online at v2.4honline.com with enrollment fee paid to have full enrollment recognition. However, enrollment may occur at any time throughout the Program Year to access various opportunities as long as within the timelines of specific opportunities.
2. Communication is sent weekly via the Broadcast e-mail system to the email address(es) families enter into v2.4honline.com when enrollment is completed. We encourage reading these to stay aware of opportunities and deadlines for the best experience.
3. First year, typically 3rd grade, members are encouraged to take a reasonable number of projects.
4. Livestock Projects, such as beef, dairy, goat, sheep, ducks, rabbits, and chickens & swine are to be considered each one project. You may take more than one animal in each species up to the specific project limits. The companion animals, such as Cat, Dog, & Horse & Pony will each be considered as one project also, following their own designated rules.
5. To exhibit a project at the fair you **MUST** be enrolled in that project **in 4honline and be entered into FairEntry by June 20th**. If you are unsure where your project goes in 4honline and/or FairEntry, please call the Extension Office! Switching classes at fair for judging is not an option.
6. The Martin County Extension Service or the Martin County 4-H Council cannot be responsible for your 4-H exhibit or proper entry. There will be someone in the exhibit hall when the buildings are open for viewing and we will do our best to help take care of your exhibit. In case of damages or loss, we will not be responsible.
7. Project release times will be announced just before or at fair time. Exhibits and premiums must be picked up at the time specified. After this date, if projects/premiums are not picked up, contact the Extension Office to arrange to pick up the projects.
8. Pick-up of items, including projects, awards, prizes or other miscellaneous items, is the responsibility of the 4-Her. Items left after 30 days may be repurposed, disposed of, or redeposited and thereby forfeited by the 4-Her.
9. Ribbons will be awarded on the decision of the judges via the Danish system, which includes blue, red, and white. The decision of the judges will be final. Green participation ribbons or will be awarded for late entries with the highest placing being blue.
10. Premiums are: **NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS**: Blue - \$1.00, Red - \$.75, White \$.50. Premium money can be picked up at project release as long as all requirements have been met, including completion of thank you cards and participation at activities.
11. Completion of thank you cards to award sponsors are to be completed by 4-H recipients prior to premium money release.

12. Project tags will be available as quickly as possible after FairEntry closes, typically 5 business days after FairEntry closes. Members may receive their project tags from The Extension Office, or it is encouraged for Club Leaders to coordinate with the Extensions Office to hand out the project tags at Club Meetings.
13. It is the responsibility of each 4-H member to ensure their project exhibition, county and state, includes every component for exhibition. (i.e.: Craft Card, Record Sheet, Skills list)
14. Judge discretion on the number of exhibits chosen to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair up to the maximum number.
15. Some projects are able to be exhibited at the Indiana State Fair without qualification at the county level. See exhibitorscorner.indianastatefair.com.

GENERAL 4-H EXHIBIT DETAILS

1. All poster exhibits must be 22"x28" displayed horizontally and have a stiff backing and be covered with clear cellophane or plastic unless otherwise stated in project requirements.
2. All posters, notebooks, and display boards should 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. **Judges are provided the same guidelines for projects as posted for exhibitors.**
3. All pictures and wall hangings, etc. SHOULD be ready for hanging. Use strong hangers (not coke tabs) attached with rails or screws (not glue or tape).

Fair Entry labels, printed by the Extension Office staff based on the details entered by the exhibitor, are to be attached securely as described below. There may be specific other instructions for certain projects. See individual project guidelines for these instructions.

ATTACHING LABELS SUGGESTIONS

Follow project exhibit guidelines.

Posters: apply to lower right corner and place label on the outside of the plastic.

Fine Arts - place in lower right corner of item. It should not extend past frame when folded flat.

Arts & Crafts - attach in a readily visible position. A suggestion for candles is to glue or nail candle to a card-board or block of wood. For Rug Hook projects, use a large safety pin to secure to the exhibit in lower right corner.

Aerospace - punch hole in top left corner of label and attach with string.

Needle Craft - attach in the lower right corner area of exhibit. If you feel it will in any way damage your exhibit, fasten securely in another way, perhaps with a safety pin.

Foods - bags with twist ties or zip-lock, or plastic wrap should cover food products. **Remember your recipe cards.**

Cake Decorating - do not wrap decorated cakes.

Sewing, Wearable - apply top portion of label on hemline on left side as you wear the garment. To ensure that it won't fall off please pin.

Foods- label your container and lid with grease pencil. Put your container in a clear plastic bag. Place the label inside the bag and seal it closed. For preserved goods, stick label to side of jar in the center.

Electric - attach label in a readily visible position. For first year electric members, be sure to indicate on your circuit board either parallel or series wiring. (Label makers are good for this.)

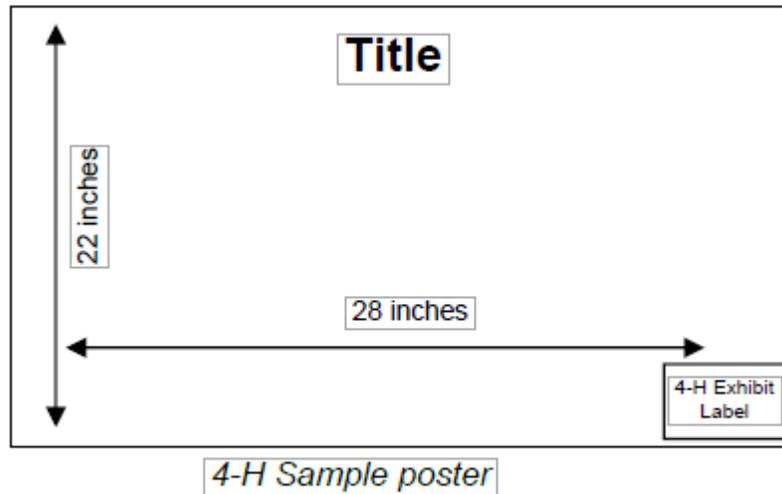
Floriculture - attach label in a readily visible position. Where feasible, place in lower right corner. If your exhibit contains more than one piece, please make sure all pieces are labeled. If you feel that it will in any way damage your exhibit, fasten it securely in another way.

Notebook Projects - affix in lower right corner of book.

Garden Projects - attach to lower right corner outside the tray used to hold your produce. Garden members, please read the specific instructions under the Garden project guidelines regarding the way your produce is to be exhibited.

Communication & Expressive Arts: If it is a project with a craft card: **Remember your craft card.**

1. 4-H Exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family (father, mother and siblings), from a current Indiana 4-H member, and from individuals certified in the Approved Animal Assistance Program by June 20.
2. If a 4-Her's animal dies after the May 15th deadline and they don't have any other animals entered for the Fair in that species, or circumstances beyond the 4-Her's control prevent them



from exhibiting their animal at the Fair, they can request permission from 4-H Council to exhibit a poster to complete their project or offer another alternative for 4-H Council consideration.

3. Each exhibitor will have to furnish his own feed and bedding.
4. Animal conditions must be habitable as determined by Superintendent of Livestock Committee.
5. Each exhibitor will have to feed and care for his own stock.
6. Each exhibitor will be required to keep his own pen or stall clean, at a minimum, daily.
7. Pens and stalls will be inspected daily.
8. Fans must be hanging so they are blowing south for beef and hog barns.
9. False switches and the use of artificial hair are prohibited. Only natural hair growing in its original location will be permitted.
10. Livestock & Companion Animal Exhibitors must wear appropriate clothing during shows, auction, and photographs. Appropriate clothing will be: polo/golf style shirts; cotton button-up shirts; plain (no printing or logos) or 4-H T-Shirts (tucked in). Pants; and clean closed-toe tennis shoes, boots or work shoes.
11. Attire NOT allowed: hats, halter or tube tops, shorts (shorts are defined as any trousers not long enough to touch the top of the shoes when worn around the waist), see-through material, open toe or "sling back" shoes, sandals, or mules. This dress code affects all Martin County 4-H Livestock and Companion Animal exhibitors.
12. Livestock are to be in their pens from 6-9 pm. Horse and Pony can be in designated areas during this time.
13. Animals should stay in their own species designated barn/area unless part of a safe exercise appropriate time and location.

14. The 4-H member must show his or her own livestock, except in case of sickness, or in case of emergency or an approved situation by the Youth Educator and the Livestock Committee. If a 4-H member has more than one animal in a class another 4-H member must show the animal, unless it is a species that specifically restricts the number of entries per exhibitor per class to one.
15. Advertisement or insignia on 4-H exhibitor's clothing while showing their animals is prohibited.
16. No intact males for cattle, swine, sheep, and goats.
17. All Livestock exhibitors must be present for 4-H grounds set-up and clean-up. If a 4-H member does not appear for these events, a 5% deduction per activity will be taken from their auction proceeds. (5% for set-up, 5% for clean-up, in addition to the 10% for administrative fees.) If there is a reasonable conflict, it is the 4-Her's responsibility to arrange pre-event with the superintendent or Educator.
18. No pumping, tubing, or administering of any drug or steroid to any animal in 4-H shows. No drenching, except products approved for livestock use, such as electrolytes or feed additives for animals will be allowed. Methods for delivery of electrolytes or feed additives should be administered according to manufacturer's directions.
19. No alcoholic beverages or tobacco products are allowed at the 4-H Fairgrounds, including in the livestock barns or horse barn, at any time or during any 4-H event.

4-H LIVESTOCK PREMIUM AUCTION

Superintendent of Exhibition Animals & Livestock Auction Committee: Abbey Lindsey

1. Any 4-H Exhibitor of the following projects will be allowed to participate in the 4-H Auction: Beef, Dairy, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep and Swine.
2. A 4-H exhibitor may only participate in the auction one time per 4-H year.
3. Auction is for regular 4-H members, not Mini 4-H members.
4. 4-Hers must declare which species they will take through the auction at weigh-in at the beginning of the Fair by submitting their Auction Participation Card. Members can change their selection if the 4-H exhibitor is awarded a grand champion, reserve grand champion, or champion in any species. All 4-H online & FairEntry requirements are due in alignment with publicized deadlines for eligibility to participate in the auction.
5. Any auction entry change due to the above winning must be indicated **immediately** after each respective show and is the responsibility of the exhibitor to notify the Committee Chair and Educator.
6. Administrative fee of 10% will be subtracted from the premium of each livestock check.
7. The order of the sale will be as follows: Grand Champions, Reserve Grand Champions, 10 Year Livestock Members, and the remainder of the sale order will be determined through the 4-H Educator and committee.
8. The bidding process will be in whole dollars.
9. 4-H animals offered for sale through the 4-H Livestock Auction are ineligible for 4-H exhibition at the Indiana State Fair.
10. 4-H Livestock sold or purchased privately or offered for sale at public auction after the respective official county livestock enrollment deadline will not be eligible to show.
11. Selling of ribbons or any item in place of an animal to be auctioned is prohibited.
12. All 4-Hers should sell their own animal at the auction or a penalty of 10% of the auction fee will be assessed for those that do not sell their own animal. Members should present their animals appropriately for Auction and must be present at the time of the auction to handle their animals in the sale ring. No substituting, unless pre-approved by 4-H Council and Educator.
13. The 4-Her is responsible for thanking the buyer(s) for their support of the auction.
14. It is the 4-Her's responsibility to assure that a picture is provided for auction purposes and provided to the Extension Office at heldd@purdue.edu and jone2589@purdue.edu no later than two hours after the respective species' show.

15. The Committee reserves the right to make any needed adjustments to the above rules deemed necessary to carry out a successful auction. All such adjustments must be cleared by the 4-H Youth Educator, 4-H Council President, and the Committee Chairperson.

MASTER SHOWMANSHIP FOR CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP & SWINE

Superintendent: respective to each species

1. Contest to be held the day of the respective shows.
2. Open to all 4-H Livestock Exhibitors in accordance with species, age and qualification into class.
3. Each 4-Her is permitted to use only one of the animals entered in their name for showmanship competition.
4. These showmanship classes will be divided:
 - JUNIOR: Grades 3, 4, 5 in the current year.
 - INTERMEDIATE: Grades 6, 7, 8 in the current year.
 - SENIOR: Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 in the current year.

Master Showmanship: This is a showmanship class for champion exhibitors, junior, intermediate and senior showing together. This "Master" showmanship class can be won repeatedly. First, second, and third place rosette ribbons will be awarded in each division.

OUTSTANDING LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR & OUTSTANDING LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR RUNNER-UP

Superintendent: Abbey Lindsey

1. Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor and Runner-Up are awards given to two livestock exhibitors that have accumulated the overall highest livestock project point total during the current 4-H Fair.
2. Points are earned for: Number of livestock species exhibited, Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Champions, class winners, and showmanship.
3. Livestock species included: Cattle, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Poultry & Rabbits.
4. Supreme Showmanship does not count towards the point total.
5. In the event of a tie, a co-award will be given to the number of individuals with the highest point total.
6. Efforts will be made to award the Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor and Runner-Up on Tuesday evening of the fair in conjunction with the Livestock Auction.

For exhibiting in the projects', awarded points are awarded: (Example: If Cattle and Sheep are exhibited: 10 points are awarded.)

First Species	5 Points
Second Species	5 Points
Third Species	5 Points
Fourth Species	5 Points
Fifth Species	5 Points
Sixth Species	5 Points

For being recognized with accomplishment in the projects, points are awarded:

Grand Champion	5 Points
Reserve Grand Champion	3 Points
Champion	2 Points
Class Winner	1 Point

The exhibitors are awarded points also on how they perform in showmanship. In the showmanship division and master showmanship, the points are as follow:

First Place	5 Points
Second Place	3 Points
Third Place	1 Point

Both the exhibitor's original division points and subsequent placement in masters are added. Example: Junior champion & Master champion is a total of 10 points.

SUPREME SHOWMANSHIP CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP & SWINE

Co-Superintendents: Kenadi Wells & Rhonda Rumble



The Master Exhibitor and first runner-up in each species will compete against each other for the Martin County 4-H Supreme Showmanship Champion & Reserve Champion. Supreme Showmanship will have a maximum of eight contestants. The top exhibitor will be declared Martin County 4-H Supreme Showman. This can be won repeatedly.

1. Contest will begin promptly at designated time with participants to report to the west side of the livestock arena next to the announcers stand at ten minutes prior to start time.
2. The four species to be shown are - Cattle, Swine, Goats, and Sheep. Order will be shared prior to the contest.
3. Contestants are required to bring their own supplies/equipment needed to show each of the four species. This equipment will be kept on the south wall behind the assigned exhibitor's chair.
4. Contestants will be provided a chair, water, and a washcloth to be used for the duration of the contest between species.

5. Once the contest has begun, each contestant must remain within the seating area provided without further contact with others until dismissed at the completion of the contest. This is to provide exclusive attention to the contest and the judges. If special accommodations need considered, please inform the Educator and/or the Supreme Superintendents at least an hour prior to the contest.
6. The contestant numbers will be selected at random.
7. The animals will be assigned a number prior to the contest, and the contestant will utilize the animal assigned their number (this excludes swine).
8. Animals will be selected by the Supreme Superintendents, and all efforts will be made to exclude animals owned by the contestants or associated parties.
9. There will be one, two or three judges utilized for the contest with one judge being the lead judge on each species. This judge will be announced at the beginning of the species.
10. Each contestant may pick up their score card at the completion of results. Score card will only be released to the contestant.

A point system will be used to determine Supreme Champion:

1st place = 1 point, 2nd place = 2 points, etc. in each species competition.

Low score wins

1st tie breaker – most 1st place finishes

2nd tie breaker – Judge determined

Quality Livestock Care Program

The Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care or Youth Quality Care of Animals completion by June 20th is required for all harvest animal species exhibition. To exhibit beef, cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry, and rabbits, 4-H members must be certified **annually** through an approved Quality Assurance Program.

These are annual programs that can be completed via in-person trainings or online.

Option 1: The Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program: please contact The Extension Office. Members may attend a QLC through any Purdue Extension Educator. Only in person options for \$3 per member.

Option 2: YQCA is available at www.yqcaprogram.org. Purdue Extension cannot access your YQCA information and you must provide verification of attendance and completion if this is the option you use by June 20th.

This is a requirement, and an important educational opportunity for 4-H livestock members and part of the bigger livestock industry. Making this an exhibition rule is how we are ensuring that 4-H members learn about quality assurance, but it really has nothing to do with animal exhibition. The real reason we are requiring this is so youth learn best management practices with their animals. The goals of having 4-H members complete the Quality Assurance program include ensuring that

- Youth will be more prepared to be ambassadors for animal agriculture in their role as youth livestock exhibitors.
- Animals from youth livestock programs are treated with the utmost care.
- 4-H members are contributing to a safe, wholesome food supply.

STATE FAIR TICKETS

State Fair ticket availability from year to year can vary, is based on State Fair ticket distribution, and is not guaranteed. When tickets are available:

1. All 4-Hers whose projects are chosen as State Fair winners will be eligible to receive *two (2)* tickets to the Indiana State Fair. All other 4-Hers may request State Fair tickets.
2. All 4-H Club Leaders, Council Members, and Committee Members are eligible to receive *one (1)* ticket to the Indiana State Fair.
3. All other persons wishing to obtain Indiana State Fair tickets should purchase them from an agency authorized to sell State Fair tickets. In the event that additional tickets are available, those will be distributed with limitation and based upon 4-H involvement and as overseen by the Martin County CED and Youth Educator.

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION AND EXHIBITION INFORMATION

Adapted from: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/animal-identification.html>

4-H members (Grades 3 – 12) must identify all Beef and Dairy Cattle, Goats, Horses, Llamas, Sheep and Swine in the 4-H Online system by May 15th or earlier county deadline if applicable to be eligible for exhibition at the Indiana State Fair 4-H Animal Shows and Martin County 4-H Show. If a Mini 4-H member plans to exhibit their own animal, identification requirements/tagging and 4-H online entry are required. Beef and Dairy Cattle, Meat Goats, Sheep and Swine must submit DNA hair samples by May 15th to their local County Extension to be eligible for Indiana State Fair 4-H Animal Shows.

Resources to assist 4-H families with the animal identification process are available on the page linked above, along with important information related to animal exhibition. You will also find the required vaccination forms for horse and pony, dog, and cat. Please note: vaccination requirements are mandatory, and no exceptions will be made.

The 4-H Animal Lease Form has is available from the Extension Office or online at

<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/docs/projects/animal-lease-agreement.pdf>

The only animals eligible to be formally leased in Indiana 4-H are:

- Dairy females
- Horse & Pony
- Llama & Alpaca

2026 INDIANA 4-H ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/_docs/projects/animal-identification/animal-id-requirements.pdf



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2026 Indiana 4-H Animal Identification

The following table lists the different animal species and the respective form of identification that is required for a 4-H member to be eligible to show in the 4-H livestock shows at the 2026 Indiana State Fair. The animal ID information must be entered in the Indiana 4-H Online enrollment system by the respective deadlines. Missing, incomplete or incorrect animal ID information could result in state fair ineligibility for that particular animal.

	For State Fair	Max # to Enroll in 4-H Online	Deadline
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 Total steers	May 15
Commercial and Market Heifers and Dairy Feeder	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 total	May 15
Beef, Registered Heifers	840-RFID tag and Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	10 total heifers	May 15
Dairy Cattle	840-RFID tag and animal's registered name and registration number (or dam's registration number) and DNA Hair Sample	40 total	May 15
Dairy Goat Females, Registered Wethers	Breed Registry Tattoo 5-digit County Tag or Tattoo	40 dairy goats total	May 15
Meat Goat Wethers (Including Myotonics)	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Boer Goat Females, Registered Myotonic Goat Females, Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Registration Papers and DNA Hair Sample	40 meat goats total	May 15

Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Pygmy Goats Registered Unregistered	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Registration Papers Official USDA Scrapie Tag or Official Scrapie Tattoo	40 total	May 15
Horses and Pony	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Llama and Alpaca	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Sheep Market Lambs and Wether Dams Commercial Ewes Registered Ewes	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample 840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag/or official Scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample 840-RFID Tag and ID that matches registration Papers and DNA Hair Sample	30 sheep total	May 15
Swine	840-RFID Tag and Ear Notch and DNA Hair Sample	15 Gilts 15 Barrows	May 15

BOAH updates after handbook finalization override the print contained herein

BOAH final as of 4-1-2025

<https://www.in.gov/boah/boah-rules/exhibition-requirements/>

Adapted from: <https://www.in.gov/boah/files/2025-Indiana-Exhibition-Requirements.pdf>

**ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR
EXHIBITION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS IN INDIANA
2025**

This document describes the Indiana State Board of Animal Health's (BOAH) requirements for all animal exhibitions in the state. However, exhibition organizers may impose additional requirements as a condition of exhibition. BOAH recommends contacting the exhibition organizer for specific information about requirements for each event. Please call the Indiana State Board of Animal at (317) 544-2400 with questions concerning exhibition requirements in Indiana.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

A. Limitations on Exhibition

This section describes limitations on exhibiting animals in Indiana. Other exhibition limitations may be described in the species-specific requirements that follow.

1. Failure to meet all animal health requirements will result in removal of animals from the exhibition premises.
2. The following animals are not eligible for exhibition in Indiana:
 - a. Animals that originate from a herd that is under quarantine.
 - b. An animal prohibited from exhibition under any law or order.
 - c. Any animal classified as a brucellosis "suspect".
 - d. Animals showing signs of any infectious or communicable disease or that are a health hazard to people or other animals.
 - e. Any animal that does not meet state animal health requirements.
3. Any animal that develops or shows signs of any infectious or communicable disease during exhibition must be removed from the premises, including the surrounding exhibition grounds. An owner who is disputing the exclusion of his/her animal(s) from exhibition may not exhibit the animal in question pending any appeal.
4. The State Veterinarian is authorized to make the final determination as to an animal's eligibility for exhibition. The state veterinarian may order removal of any animal from the exhibition grounds.
5. Exhibition organizers may impose health requirements in addition to those prescribed by BOAH. Added requirements may not contradict requirements imposed by BOAH.
6. Exhibition organizers may have a licensed and accredited veterinarian review animals and animal health documentation during the exhibition.

B. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection

1. For animals that originate within Indiana, a certificate of veterinary inspection (Commonly known as a "health paper") is not required by BOAH for exhibition. Contact the exhibition organizer to determine if a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) is necessary to meet the organizer's exhibition requirements.
2. For animals that originate outside of Indiana, the exhibitor must have a properly completed CVI for all animals prior to entry. This requirement applies to all domestic animals (except fish and poultry).
 - a. CVIs must be completed by a licensed and accredited veterinarian who has personally inspected the animals.

- b. A CVI for any animal is valid for 30 days from the date it is issued by a licensed and accredited veterinarian. NOTE: Animal(s) must be inspected by a licensed and accredited veterinarian no more than ten days prior to the date on which the CVI is issued.
- c. CVIs must clearly include a description of each animal including the age, sex, and breed of the animal, and the official individual identification.
- d. CVIs must accompany the animal while on the exhibition premises.

C. Pre-Entry Movement Permit (REVISED)- Effective January 1, 2022:

- 1. For swine and cattle that originate within Indiana, a pre-entry movement permit is not required.
- 2. For swine and cattle that originate outside of Indiana, a pre-entry movement permit is not required when an electronic certificate of veterinary inspection is issued.
- 3. For swine and cattle originating outside of Indiana, a pre-entry movement permit is required when a paper certificate of veterinary inspection is issued.
 - a. The 2025 Indiana State Fair pre-entry movement permit number is "INSF25" and must be noted on all paper certificates of veterinary inspection.
- 4. For farmed cervids and aquaculture, that originate outside of Indiana, a BOAH approved pre-entry movement permit number must be noted on the certificate of veterinary inspection. Permit applications are available online at: www.in.gov/boah/species-information/cervids-deer-elk/
 - a. The pre-entry movement permit application must be received by BOAH at least 5 business days before moving into Indiana.
 - b. The Indiana State Board of Animal Health must authorize any proposed movements prior to entry into the State.

D. Indiana State Fairgrounds

- 1. The Federal Premises Identification Number for the Indiana State Fairgrounds that should be recorded on all associated CVIs is: 00C6T69
- 2. The physical address for the Indiana State Fairgrounds that should be recorded on all associated CVIs is: 1202 E 38th St, Indianapolis, IN 46205

E. Identification

All exhibition animals must be permanently and individually identified unless otherwise noted. Official ear tags are tags approved by the USDA that bear the US shield. All official identification and any additional identification devices should be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

F. Testing

- 1. All tests required for exhibition must be conducted at the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (ADDL) at Purdue University, a laboratory approved by the Indiana State Board of Animal Health, or a state or federal-approved laboratory.
 - 2. All animals, including Indiana animals, that are to be offered for sale to out-of-state buyers should have the necessary testing completed prior to the sale date. The destination state should be contacted to ensure all pre-entry movement requirements are met prior to the planned movement. State contact information can be found here: www.in.gov/boah/movements-out-of-indiana/
- SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

A. Cattle

For more information on cattle health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/cattle-sheep-and-other-ruminants/cattle-dairy-and-beef/

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification (ONE of the following)

a. 840 RFID tags

- 15 digits, beginning with "840," with US shield, must be visually and electronically readable

b. Official USDA Program tags

- Orange calfhood vaccination tags, with US shield

3. Testing

a. Cattle that originate within Indiana do not need a brucellosis test or a tuberculosis test for exhibition in Indiana.

b. Cattle that originate outside of Indiana do not need a brucellosis test or a tuberculosis test for exhibition in Indiana as long as the state of origin is classified as brucellosis free AND tuberculosis free by the USDA.

- Cattle from states that are NOT designated as free by the USDA must meet additional requirements for entry into Indiana. Contact the Indiana State Board of Animal Health for specific information.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

B. Swine

For more information on swine health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 554-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/swinepigs/

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification (ONE of the following)

a. 840 tags

- May or may not be an RFID (radio frequency device)
- 15 digits, beginning with "840," with US shield

b. NUES (brite) tags

- National Uniform Ear Tagging System
- Steel or plastic acceptable, with US shield

c. Official Premises ID Number ("PIN") tag

- Official PIN tags MUST include a premises number and unique animal ID imprinted by the manufacturer. (Standard PIN tags usually do not include an individual ID number; therefore, owners need to specify when ordering.)

d. Ear notch

- Ear notch must be recorded in the book of record of a purebred registry association.

e. Tattoo

- Tattoo must be registered with a swine registry association.

3. Testing

a. Swine that originate within Indiana do not need a brucellosis test or a pseudorabies test for exhibition in Indiana.

b. Swine that originate outside of Indiana do not need a brucellosis test or pseudorabies test as long as the state of origin is classified as brucellosis AND pseudorabies free by the USDA.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

C. Sheep and Goats

For more information on sheep and goat health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/cattle-sheep-and-other-ruminants/sheep-and-goats/

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification (ONE of the following)

a. Official Scrapie identification tag, with US shield

b. Official Scrapie tattoo

- Must begin with the state postal code along with a unique individual animal ID number

c. Registration tattoo

- Tattoo must be noted on the registration paper and accompany the animal

d. Registration microchip

- Electronic implant must be noted on the registration paper and accompany the animal

NOTE: Wethers younger than 18 months of age must bear a unique and permanent form of identification

3. Testing - No testing is required on any sheep or goat for exhibition in Indiana.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

D. Horses

For more information on horse health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/equinehorses/

NOTE: Indiana State 4-H may impose vaccination requirements for horse show participants beyond the minimum requirements of the Indiana State Board of Animal Health. Contact your local 4-H Purdue Extension educator for these additional requirements.

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification (ONE of the following)

a. Physical description of the animal including: name, age, breed, color, gender, distinctive markings, cowlicks, scars, blemishes, biometric measures, brands, tattoos, etc.

b. Digital photographs sufficient to identify the individual animal

c. USDA-approved electronic implant (microchip)

3. Testing

a. Horses that originate within Indiana do not need an equine infectious anemia (EIA, Coggins) test for exhibition in Indiana.

b. Horses that originate outside of Indiana must meet the following requirements prior to entering Indiana:

- Each horse must test negative for EIA within 12 months of the date of exhibition. Each horse must be accompanied by an official certificate of veterinary inspection that indicates the date and results of the EIA test.

NOTE: Suckling foals that are accompanied by their dam, when the dam has tested negative for EIA within the last twelve months, are exempt from the EIA testing requirement.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

E. Llamas/Alpacas (Camelids)

For more information on llama/alpaca health requirements call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/cattle-sheep-and-other-ruminants/camelids/camelid-entry-requirements/

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification (ONE of the following)

a. Physical description of the animal including: name, age, breed, color, gender, distinctive markings, cowlicks, scars, blemishes, biometric measures, etc.

b. Digital photographs sufficient to identify the individual animal

c. Official ear tag

d. Tattoo

e. USDA-approved electronic implant (microchip)

3. Testing - No testing is required on any llamas or alpacas (camelid) for exhibition in Indiana.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

F. Poultry

For more information on poultry health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/avianbirds/ Indiana defines poultry as: chickens, turkeys, ostriches, emus, rheas, cassowaries, waterfowl (domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks, geese and swans), and game birds (domesticated fowl such as pheasants, peafowl, partridge, quail, grouse, and guineas) but NOT doves and pigeons.

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification - No individual identification is required on any poultry for exhibition in Indiana.

3. Testing

All poultry presented for exhibition, except waterfowl, must meet ONE of the following requirements:

a. Test negative for pullorum-typhoid within 90 days prior to the date of the exhibition.

b. Hatched from eggs that originate from a certified NPIP pullorum-typhoid clean parent flock.

c. Originate from a flock that is certified NPIP pullorum-typhoid clean.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

G. Farmed Cervids

For more information on farmed cervid health requirements call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/cervids-deer-elk/

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification - Farmed cervids must be identified with an official ear tag containing the US shield AND one of the following:

a. Tattoo

b. Electronic identification implant (microchip)

c. Farm/management ear tag

3. Testing

a. Farmed cervids that originate within Indiana, 12 months of age and older that are to be exhibited in Indiana must meet ONE of the following tuberculosis testing requirements:

- Test negative for tuberculosis within 90 days prior to the date of the exhibition.

- Originate from a herd that is accredited under a state tuberculosis accreditation program. 345 IAC 2.5-5-4. From a herd that meets other herd testing standard described in 345 IAC 2.5-5-3(1).

b. Farmed cervids that originate within Indiana, that are from a species known to be susceptible to chronic wasting disease (CWD), that are to be exhibited in Indiana must originate from a Certified CWD program herd defined under Indiana requirements 345 IAC 2-7-4.

c. Farmed cervids that originate outside of Indiana must be from a CWD non-susceptible species (i.e. fallow deer) AND meet one of the following requirements as outlined in 345 IAC 1-3-29:

- Originate from a tuberculosis free accredited herd.

- Have two tuberculosis tests, 90 days apart, with the last test within 90 days of entry to Indiana.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

H. Dogs

For more information on dog health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/companion-animals-dogs-cats/

NOTE: Indiana State 4-H may impose vaccination requirements for dog show participants beyond the minimum requirements of the Indiana State Board of Animal Health. Contact your local 4-H Purdue Extension educator for these additional requirements.

1. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

2. Identification - Physical description sufficient to identify the individual animal.

3. Vaccination

a. All dogs 3 months of age and older must be vaccinated for rabies by a licensed and accredited veterinarian in accordance with the state rabies vaccination law.

b. A certificate of vaccination or other statement, signed by a licensed and accredited veterinarian, that indicates the vaccinations each animal has been given must accompany the animal to the exhibition.

c. A certificate of veterinary inspection may be used to document vaccinations.

SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

I. Cats

For more information on cat health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317) 544-2400 or visit BOAH's website at: www.in.gov/boah/speciesinformation/companion-animals-dogs-cats/

NOTE: Indiana State 4-H may impose vaccination requirements for cat show participants beyond the minimum requirements of the Indiana State Board of Animal Health. Contact your local 4-H Purdue Extension educator for these additional requirements.

4. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

5. Identification - Physical description sufficient to identify the individual animal.

6. Vaccination

- a. All cats 3 months of age and older must be vaccinated for rabies by a licensed and accredited veterinarian in accordance with the state rabies vaccination law.
- b. A certificate of vaccination or other statement, signed by a licensed and accredited veterinarian, that indicates the vaccinations each animal has been given must accompany the animal to the exhibition.
- c. A certificate of veterinary inspection may be used to document vaccinations.

Indiana 4-H Program Policies & Procedures

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program involves many youth, families, and adults who work together to provide a fun, positive, and safe experience for all participants. The Indiana 4-H Program Policies & Procedures provide us with a structure to follow at the state and county levels, ensuring we are adhering to state and federal guidelines. The Policies & Procedures contained on this page allow you to see the guidance Indiana 4-H has in place, providing additional transparency and consistency among all county 4-H programs. For additional questions regarding these policies, please reach out to the Purdue Extension Educator responsible for the 4-H Youth Development Program in your county.

1.1 THE INDIANA 4-H PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY AND EXPECTATIONS

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development program serves the youth of Indiana by providing a strong educational youth development program. This program delivers educational experiences in a variety of settings. Caring, capable and contributing adults assist in the 4-H program as role models for youth. The rich heritage of the 4-H Program is one to be valued and passed along to future generations.

The Indiana 4-H Youth Policies and Procedures includes certain standards and guidelines to ensure that 4-H is a positive youth development program. Legal authority for the 4-H Program rests with the Director of the Cooperative Extension Service at Purdue University. No county 4-H policy may conflict with state 4-H policy or with federal guidelines and requirements. County 4-H policy is guided by the county 4-H policy making or governing board (i.e., 4-H Council) as provided by the Indiana 4-H Youth Development program.

It is the policy of 4-H to be an inclusive organization. No county policy or practice should be used to arbitrarily exclude youth from either membership or participation. Youth should participate in 4-H Youth Development opportunities at levels and times that best suit the youth's development.

Volunteers and Extension Educators may not require youth to attend 4-H club meetings in order to complete 4-H or exhibit their work unless a safety meeting required at the state level is required for the project.

1.2 4-H MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

4-H Mission: The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who positively impact their community and world.

4-H Vision: Indiana 4-H Youth Development strives to be the premier, community-based program empowering young people to reach their full potential.

1.3 POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

What is Positive Youth Development?

Positive youth development occurs from an intentional process that promotes positive outcomes for young people by providing opportunities, relationships, and the support to fully participate. Youth development takes place in families, peer groups, schools, neighborhoods, and communities.

The Interagency Working Group on Youth Programs, a collaboration of 21 federal departments and agencies that support youth, created the following definition of positive youth development (PYD):

“PYD is an intentional, pro-social approach that engages youth within their communities, schools, organizations, peer groups, and families in a manner that is productive and constructive; recognizes, utilizes, and enhances young people’s strengths; and promotes positive outcomes for young people by providing opportunities, fostering positive youth relationships, and furnishing the support needed to build on their leadership strengths.”

CLICK THE LINK, SCAN THE QR CODE, OR VISIT PURDUE EXTENSION MARTIN COUNTY OFFICE TO HAVE ACCESS TO INDIANA 4-H PROGRAM POLICIES & PROCEDURES

<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/about/policies-and-procedures/index.html>



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Grand Champion Child Development	The Ausbrooks Family
Grand Champion Computer	Martin Co. Alliance
Grand Champion Construction & Architectural Replica	Trudy Sutton
Grand Champion Consumer Clothing	In Memory of Bill & Fern Keller
Grand Champion Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue	Bob & Sheryl Walton
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Grand Champion Geology	Lawrence Co. Rock Club-In memory of George & Wanda Aldred
Grand Champion Goat Poster	Gene & Debbie Parsons
Grand Champion Health	Jeff & Karla Eckerle
Grand Champion Herb	Jill D. Ziegler
Grand Champion Home Environment	B&D Lyon Farm Inc.
Grand Champion Horse Poster	Phil Todd Family
Grand Champion Informative 4-H Presentation	Martin Co. Alliance
Grand Champion Jr. Ag Tractor Driving	Vernita Williams
Grand Champion Jr. Lawn & Garden Tractor Driving	Bob & Sheryl Walton
Grand Champion Jr. Zero Turn Tractor Driving	Jones Oil Co. Inc.

Grand Champion Leadership	Jason & Pam Loughmiller
Grand Champion Llama Craft	Beth Lett
Grand Champion Llama Poster	Eileen Dawson
Grand Champion Models	Mike & Kay Summers
Grand Champion Needlecraft	Margo Hensley Family
Grand Champion Other Craft	Jill D. Ziegler
Grand Champion Photography	Bobby Ellis
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Grand Champion Sheep Poster	Jones Oil Co. Inc.
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Grand Champion Small Engines	Loogootee Collision Center
Grand Champion Soil & Water	Martin County SWCD
Grand Champion Sportfishing	Bob & Diana Dages
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Grand Champion Sr Lawn & Garden Tractor Driving	Kelli & Lance Mathies
Grand Champion Sr Zero Turn Tractor Driving	Jones Oil Co. Inc.
Grand Champion Swine Poster	Jones Oil Co. Inc.
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Grand Champion Vet Science	Wallace Veterinary Clinic
Grand Champion Weather	Williams Bros. Health Care Pharmacy
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2025 MINI 4-H AWARD SPONSOR



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2025 4-H BANNER & BUCKLE SPONSORS

Award	Sponsor
Grand Champion Bantam Fowl	Bob & Marilee Lord
Grand Champion Barrow	Kenny & Amber Knepp
Grand Champion Breeding Doe	I & L Farms
Grand Champion Breeding Ewe	Burriss Family Farms
Grand Champion Breeding Gilt	Premier Ag & Energy Services
Grand Champion Cat	I & L Farms
Grand Champion Commercial Poultry	Ringwald Family
Grand Champion County Born Heifer	Martin Co. Farm Bureau Inc.
Grand Champion County Born Market Beef	Witt Farms
Grand Champion Dairy Goat	Loogootee-Shoals Tri Kappa
Grand Champion Dairy Wether	Martin Co. Farm Bureau Inc.
Grand Champion Decorated Cat Cage	Rodney, Mimi, Megan, & Melanie Hawkins
Grand Champion Egg Class	Ringwald Family
Grand Champion Fancy Turkey	H5 Farm
Grand Champion Gamebird	Eileen Dawson
Grand Champion Heifer	Mark & Carina Gregory
Grand Champion Large Fowl	Beth Lett & Chris Lett
Grand Champion Market Beef	Clark Cattle Farms
Grand Champion Market Gilt	In Memory of John D. Lindsey
Grand Champion Market Lamb	In Memory of Lester Price & Stanley Sims
Grand Champion Pigeon	Hilltop Farms
Grand Champion Production Turkey	Troutman Farms – Chris & Mike Troutman
Grand Champion Prospect Heifer	JDL Legacy Livestock

Grand Champion Prospect Market Beef	JDL Legacy Livestock
Grand Champion Pygmy Doe	Tyler, Shawna, Tucker, & Carter Walton
Grand Champion Pygmy Wether	Brady & Tiffany Lingenfelter Family
Grand Champion Rabbit	Craney Family Farm
Grand Champion Waterfowl	Witt Farms
Grand Champion Meat Goat	Jolene's Decorating
Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor	Richer Farms LLC
Reserve Grand Champion Bantam Fowl	Bob & Marilee Lord
Reserve Grand Champion Barrow	Teri Kerr In Memory of Dr. Donald Kerr
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Doe	Martin Co. Farm Bureau Inc
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Ewe	Hidden Creek Farm
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilt	Kountry Kids Day care
Reserve Grand Champion Cat	Tracy & Rose Baker
Grand Champion Commercial Poultry	Ringwald Family
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Goat	Small Acres Farm, Dustin & Rhonda Rumble
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Wether	Bob & Sheryl Walton
Reserve Grand Champion Decorated Cat Cage	Caleb & Neely Richer Family
Reserve Grand Champion Egg Class	Ringwald Family
Reserve Grand Champion Fancy Turkey	Jolly Juniors 4-H Club
Reserve Grand Champion Gamebird	H5 Farm
Reserve Grand Champion Heifer	Lingenfelter Farm
Reserve Grand Champion Large Fowl	Beth Lett & Chris Lett
Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef	Mike Divine Family
Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt	In Memory of John D. Lindsey
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb	Edward Jones - Brent Courter
Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat	Jones Oil Co. Inc.
Reserve Grand Champion Pigeon	Carolyn S. McGuire
Reserve Grand Champion Production Turkey	Gregory Farms
Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat	3 Cedar Farm – Randy & Lisa Johnson
Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Wether	Ringwald Family
Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit	Michael & Katie Milligan
Reserve Grand Champion Waterfowl	Jeff & Karla Eckerle
Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat	Jones Oil Co. Inc.

2025 4-H HORSE & PONY AWARD SPONSORS

CLASS	SPONSOR
Intermediate/Senior Barrels	In Memory of Kenneth Hollaway
Junior Barrels	Our Lil Aussies
Mini Leadline Barrels	Adam & Kethleen Hallaway
Intermediate/Senior Flags	H&P Club
Junior Flags	JP Ranch 321
Intermediate/Senior Poles	Tommy Tomlinson
Junior Poles	I&L Farms
Mini Leadline Poles	Tommy Tomlinson
Intermediate/Senior Keyhole	Clint Jones
Junior Keyhole	JP Ranch 321
Intermediate/Senior Speed in Action	Kenneth Jones II
Junior Speed in Action	Kenneth Jones II
Mare Halter	I&L Farms
Gelding Halter	I&L Farms
Intermediate/Senior Showmanship	Tommy Tomlinson
Junior Showmanship	The Ferry Family
Mentor Showmanship	Clint Jones
Mini Showmanship	Kerr Family Farm
Intermediate/Senior Ranch Pleasure	Tommy Tomlinson
Junior Ranch Pleasure	Nana & Pappy Schnepf
Walk/Trot Ranch Pleasure	H&P Club
Mini Leadline	Indiana Continental Express LLC
Intermediate/Senior Horsemanship	H&P Club
Junior Horsemanship	H&P Club
Trail & Trail In-Hand	Donald & Teri Kerr
English Hunter Pleasure	Nana & Pappy Schnepf
English Hunter Equitation	Our Lil Aussies
Hunter Hack	H&P Club

2025 4-H HORSE & PONY CLUB SPONSORS

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Cooper Contracting
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Kingdom Air
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Loogootee Eye Center
Loughmiller Machine Tool & Design
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2025 LIVESTOCK 4-H EXHIBITORS BUCKET SPONSOR

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2025 4-H ACHIEVEMENT AWARD SPONSORS & 4-H AWARD WINNERS

Award	Sponsor	Winner(s)
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Outstanding 4-H Engineering & Technological Science	Horsting Custom Window Treatments A Friend of 4-H A Friend of 4-H	Eva Ringwald Elizabeth Boswell Elizabeth Jones
Outstanding 4-H Healthy Living	Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc. Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc.	Eva Ringwald Carter Walton
Outstanding 4-H Leadership & Citizenship	The Shoals News (1) Loughmiller Machine	Jocelyn Craney Eva Ringwald
Outstanding 4-H Plant & Environmental Science	Richer Farms, LLC Richer Farms, LLC	Carter Walton Eva Ringwald
Outstanding Horse & Pony 4-H Jr. High Point	A Friend of 4-H	Kimber Padgett
Outstanding Horse & Pony 4-H Sr. High Point	A Friend of 4-H	Ivy Phillips
Outstanding Horse & Pony 4-H Awesome Attitude	Prairie Creek English Pointers	Phoebe Jones
Outstanding 4-H Achievement	Corner Café Corner Café	Carter Walton Emma Lingenfelter
Outstanding 4-H First Year Member	Bateman Boer Goats Scott & Rhonda Sanders	William Hert Carter Rice
Outstanding 4-H Sixth Year Member	Terry, Renee, And Wyatt Street Toys Auto Parts	Jax VanMeter Josie Mathies
Top Notch 4-H Ten Year Member	Richard & Kathy Lingenfelter	Emma Lingenfelter
Outstanding 4-H Auction Buyer	Martin County 4-H Club Council	Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc.

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Supreme Showmanship Awards

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Old Timers Showmanship Awards

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