

# Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board Member

# **VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

#### **ROLE TITLE**

Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board Member

#### TIME REQUIRED/DURATION OF APPOINTMENT

Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board Member should expect to dedicate/volunteer 1 hour or less per week from October 1<sup>st</sup>- September 30<sup>th</sup> annually. As livestock activities increase, more time may be required (March-July, annually). Each member will participate in one training, usually lasting no longer than 2 hours, annually. Several hours of time should be allotted during the week leading up to the Montgomery County 4-H Fair and the week of the Montgomery County 4-H Fair. Terms will end at the end of the 4-H program year (September 30<sup>th</sup>) OR at the member's resignation OR at the request of the respective livestock superintendent/Extension staff.

# **LOCATION**

The majority of activities will take place at the Montgomery County 4-H Fairgrounds. However, there may be instances when a phone call and/or a personal farm visit is requested.

#### **PURPOSE**

The primary purpose of the Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board is to develop leadership skills and build communication skills to be utilized in an advocacy role for the Montgomery County 4-H program. Members will be responsible for providing opportunities that help engage and educate youth that are enrolled in livestock projects.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

The Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board member should be:

- o Knowledgeable about animal husbandry, production, marketing, care, etc.
- Willing to guide and support the success of others
- Flexible/adaptable
- Positive individuals
- Currently in grades 7-12
- o Enrolled as a Montgomery County 4-H member
- Must be an active member of 4-H with a club for at least one full year prior to application

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board member will:

- Follow all 4-H guidelines and policies of Purdue University Extension, State 4-H program, and Montgomery County 4-H program.
- Serve as a positive role model and mentor to all 4-H youth.
- o On time to all scheduled meetings and events.
- Maintain communication with the Purdue Extension staff and 4-H Livestock Superintendents and Chair
- Build community amongst 4-H youth through fun activities that aim to engage all youth enrolled in a 4-H livestock project.
- Promote 4-H and livestock projects through annual 4-H Spooky Science event.
- Organize and implement at least one community service project.
- Organize and implement educational workshops/clinics/programs that will assist 4-H youth to further their knowledge of their livestock specie of interest.
- Assist with livestock check-ins and general show day responsibilities.
- Assist with 4-H livestock auction

#### **RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU**

- The Purdue Extension Montgomery County staff
- o 4-H Inc. Livestock Chair: Terry Stephens
- o 4-H Volunteer: Tyler Wilson
- Species Superintendents
  - Beef: Jason Gilliland (765)366-3364
  - Dairy: Craig Smith (765)366-3348
  - Goats: Carrie Runyan (765)366-6532
  - Horse & Pony: Lori Bushong (765)362-3087
  - Llama: Laurie Bane (765)918-7573
  - Poultry: Travis Hess (317)903-6050
  - Rabbits: Dustin Page (765)918-0160
  - Sheep: Josh Patton (765)366-9808
  - Swine: Karl Rhoads (765)366-5042

# **BENEFITS TO THE VOLUNTEER**

Montgomery County 4-H Junior Livestock Board members will benefit in the following ways:

- o Gain valuable leadership skills
- Practice working alongside/with adults
- o Become a positive role model for younger 4-H members
- Improve potential job/career skills
- Gain new information and/or ideas

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