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4-H Newsletter



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Welcome!

Welcome to a new year of Vigo County 4-H. It may be cold and snowy outside, but warm weather and fair will be here before we know it! Preparations for fair are being made, but there is still so much 4-H fun to be had before then. Stay up to date on events by checking emails from 4HOnline, Facebook, and our newsletters!

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I Enrolled in 4-H, Now What?

Got questions about 4-H? Enrolled but not sure what to do next? Check out our Beginner's Guide to Vigo County 4-H is available at:
<https://extension.purdue.edu/Vigo/article/35955>

Frequently asked questions can be found there with all of your answers!

Still have a question?

Call us at 812-462-3371

Monday-Friday from 8 am to 4 pm.

4-H Project Manuals

Most 4-H projects have manuals that give in-depth information for that project and can help with your fair exhibit. Project manuals are available at the Extension Office, please call in advance so we can get them ready for pick-up.

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The 4-H Office in Vigo County
Office will be closed
February 20 in honor of
President's Day

Vigo Co. 4-H



IMPORTANT DATES

May 13- Goat, Sheep, and Bucket Calf Tag Day

May 15- 4-H Online Animal ID Deadline (all livestock except rabbits and poultry), State Fair DNA samples due, Add/Drop date for 4HOnline projects

June 11-14- 4-H Camp at Shakamak, Counselor Application available in March with Camper Registration in April

June 20- FairEntry.com deadline for ALL fair projects (This is different from 4-Honline!)

June 29- Exhibit Hall Judging (all non-perishable projects)

July 6- Exhibit Hall Judging (Cake Decorating, Foods, Crops, Garden, Floriculture & Mini)

JULY 8-15- Vigo County Fair



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FEBRUARY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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POULTRY ETHICS
TRAINING 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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HIPPOLOGY 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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HIPPOLOGY 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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GOAT 6:30PM
MEETING ROOM

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13
ALPACA & LLAMA 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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SHOOTING SPORTS 6:00PM
RILEY CONSERVATION CLUB
JUNIOR LEADERS 6:30PM
MEETING ROOM

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HIPPOLOGY 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM
RILEY ROCKETS 6:30PM
COMMUNITY CENTER
HORSE & PONY 7:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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SWINE 6:30PM
COMMUNITY CENTER

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HIPPOLOGY 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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RABBIT 6:00PM
MEETING ROOM

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LINTON LEADERS 3:00PM
AGAPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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SHOOTING SPORTS 6:00PM
RILEY CONSERVATION CLUB

Middle School Night Out

Calling all 6-8th graders, this event is for you! Our area 4-H counties are hosting a Middle School Night out with friends, games, fun, and food. The event will take place Saturday, February 25th from 4-9pm at the Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds. The event is free for 4-Her's and \$15 for non-members call the Extension Office at 812-462-3371 by February 17th to reserve your spot.



Young Ladies in Agriculture

You are invited to participate (or share this information) in the Young Ladies in Ag Forum on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 from 1:00 PM -8:00 PM EST, at the Terre Haute Convention Center, 800 Wabash Ave, Terre Haute, IN 47807.

Young ladies in grades 8-12 or college are invited to participate in the conference.

Join us to explore and engage with other young ladies while learning about financial strategies, marketing yourself, and building a strong resume.

Agenda

- 1:00 PM -1:30 PM EST Registration/Check-in
- 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM Ice Breaker
- 2:00 PM- 2:45 PM Resume Workshop
- 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM Break with Resume Discussion
- 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM Financial Discussion
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Panel/Keynote
- 5:00 PM- 6:00 PM FFA Speaker
- 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Dinner with AWE attendees
- 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Networking with AWE attendees

The cost to participate is \$20.00 per person.

Register here for the Young Ladies in Agriculture Forum: <https://bit.ly/YoungLadiesInAg2023>

Space is limited so please register to reserve your seat!



Join the Hippology Team!

Like horses? Interested in veterinary medicine? A great opportunity to learn about all things horse is to join the Vigo County 4-H Hippology Team! The team is currently meeting on Wednesdays to practice and learn equine veterinary and management knowledge for the state 4-H contest on March 25th. If you're interested contact Sara at shaag@purdue.edu or 812-462-3371.



Animal Ethics

New in 2023, Indiana 4-H Quality Care replaces YQCA for in-person trainings!

All beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry, and/or rabbits, 4-H members exhibiting at the Vigo County Fair and/or Indiana State Fair MUST be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care OR Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) by July 7, 2023. Mini 4-Her's are exempt from the training.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care is an annual program that will include an in-person session presented by an Extension Educator. Once a 4-Her has attended the entirety of a session and participated in course activities, completion of the training will be documented in 4-H Online by the Educator. Trainings held in Vigo County will be free to Vigo County 4-H Members who completed 4-H enrollment by January 15th. Thank you to Effingham Equity for sponsoring the \$3 fee! Those exhibiting at State Fair will need to request a completion certificate.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals can be completed via online modules for \$12 per member at <http://yqcaprogram.org>. Some national shows (especially swine) still require YQCA. There are a limited number of YQCA coupons left from previous years that can be used for online training. Contact Sara to receive a coupon code. Those completing YQCA MUST email a copy of the completion certificate to shaag@purdue.edu.

Vigo County trainings will be held:

- Friday, February 3rd from 6:30-7:30 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room (Poultry Meeting)*
- Tuesday, March 7 from 7:30-8:30 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room*
- Monday, May 15 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room (Rabbit Meeting)*
- Tuesday, June 20 from 5:00-6:00 PM in the Community Center*

Some training dates coincide with Vigo County 4-H club meeting dates, but the training is open to any youth. 4-Her's only attend one training, even if exhibiting multiple species.

We're searching for volunteers!



Do you know an adult that has an interest in teaching youth a new skill or serving as a club leader? We currently have Community 4-H Clubs in need of leaders. We are looking to add more SPARK Clubs also. A SPARK club consists of 6 or more hours on a special topic. (ex. Yoga, golfing, sewing, wildlife, almost anything!)