

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who will have a positive impact in their communities and the world.



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Dear 4-H Families,

Are you ready to help celebrate Warren County's 107th 4-H Fair? The 4-H Fair Board has worked hard in planning a fun & safe fair with lots of different events.

We are pleased to welcome our 4-H Summer Interns to the office; Adrie Frieden and Kasey Dulin! Adrie Frieden just completed her junior year at Purdue studying Agriculture Education. Kasey just completed her sophomore year at Purdue studying Agriculture Education. They are eager to help make your 4-H experience memorable and are excited to be a part of Purdue Extension and the Warren County 4-H Program.

ALL Projects need to be entered into FairEntry by June 1st, this includes Mini 4-H, Animal Projects and Static Projects. Please call us if you did not get your project exhibits into FairEntry or if you have questions. We will be printing tags for your static exhibits and they can be picked up on **Thursday, June 4th from 5 to 7 pm at the Extension Office.**

After you deliver your Static (non-animal) Projects on June 13th, don't forget to check on them, and most importantly, pick them up at the end of the fair on June 20th. For those with animal projects, be sure to care for your animals, keep their pens clean, and completely clean out your animal pens at the end of the fair.

4-H gives youth the opportunity to learn by doing and to grow and develop skills needed to handle obstacles life throws our way. No one knows this better than the youth, parents, volunteers and alumni who have experienced our programs firsthand. We need your help to bring the same experience and skills to youth today. *Show your 4-H pride! Share your skills and talents with others.*

Make sure to check out the updated fair schedule on page 6. Feel free to call, email, or stop in if you have any questions!

Please see the last page of this newsletter for Pool Construction and Fair procedures.

See you at the fair!

Best,

Emily Ade, 4-H Youth Development Educator



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

PRE-FAIR, JUNE 13!
2026 WARREN COUNTY
4-H FAIR, JUNE 15-20!

★ CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 10 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS ★

There are fourteen 10 year members this year! They will be honored at the Sweepstakes Awards Program on **Monday, June 15 at 6 pm in the Coliseum**. Each 10 year member will receive a plaque sponsored by Hubner Industries and a chair sponsored by the Warren County 4-H Council.

Liam Beheler
Isabelle Bradbury
Adeline Dietrich
Landon Dispennett
Conor Eberly

Ross Edwards
McKenzie Fenters
Avery Fowler
Hayden Frodge
Emily Greene

Grace Hennessey
Maci Hueston
Maddux Marshall
Isaiah Max
Caleigh Purcell

Jack Puterbaugh
Annistyn Reynolds
Riley Swaney
Haylei Walker

MINI 4-H MEMBERS

We have a fun-filled day planned for **Thursday, June 4th** from 9am—3pm for all Mini 4-Hers. This special day will include lots of activities and games, lunch, and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your projects. Sign up at 2026Mini4HDay.4HOnline.com

We're excited to have all of you as new 4-H Members. If you have any questions, call the Extension Office at 762-3231 or the Mini 4-H Superintendent, Kristie McFatrige at 765-491-0258.

Don't forget: All Mini 4-H Projects should be checked in at the Senior Center at the fair on **Saturday, June 13 from 8-9am**.



Miss Warren County



Miss Warren County will be revealed on Monday, June 15 starting at 7:30 pm in the Coliseum. Doors will open at 7:00 pm. Admission fee is \$5. 4-H Fashion Revue will be held during intermission. We are looking forward to a great pageant!



GLOW! FUN RUN 5K RUN/WALK

Saturday, June 13th at 9:30 pm at the Warren County Fairgrounds around the Park Loop. Music, color & glow fun to kick off the 2026 4-H Fair! Donation Entry of money or food for the Warren County 4-H Youth Livestock Board's Stock the Trailer Event. 4-H Council Lemon Shake-Ups will be available for purchase. Zeke's Big League Breakfast and Gordo's Taco Truck will be open as dinner options.

PARKING AT THE FAIR

In previous years parking has been an issue at the Warren County 4-H Fair. So please, let's practice courtesy.

DO NOT park on the West side of the Swine Building. (FIRE LANE)

DO NOT park in front of the Coliseum entrance/ building.

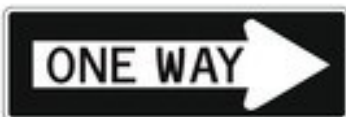
DO NOT park at the Extension Office at any time.

DO NOT park in the lot between the Beef/Horse/Sheep barns and the pool.

These parking spots are reserved for Judges, the Warren County Queen and Extension Staff that need to get in and out quickly. **Also, do not block entrances, roadways or places where emergency vehicles may need to have access.** (Example: roadway between the Senior Center and Food Building must be left open.) Trailers should be parked at the Williamsport Elementary School. Please park straight and close so more trailers can be parked in less space. **Courtesy is key. Thank you for your cooperation!**

TRAFFIC PATTERNS & 4-H FAIR BOARD UPDATE

The 4-H Fair Board is busy working hard to get the fairgrounds ready for the 4-H Fair. **For safety, traffic starting Monday, June 15 will be one way around the 4-H Fairgrounds.** Please be careful and drive slowly around the 4-H Fairgrounds. **Speed limit is 15 mph.**



Please be sure to thank the many volunteers who help put on the fair. The 4-H Fair Board sends a special thank you to those who will be helping out in the Food Building and in the Coliseum. Volunteers help to make our fair great and run smoothly!

POSTER EXHIBITS & LABELS

Remember: Posters must be displayed horizontally **NOT** vertically! *Except for Photography salon prints.* All must have a plastic covering and a hard backing. See your 4-H Handbook for more information. Poster foam backing and plastic sleeves to protect your 22" X 28" posters and Salon Prints are available at the Extension Office.

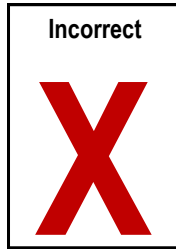
Foam Backing - \$4.00

Poster Sleeves - \$1.00

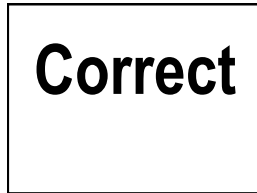
Salon Sleeves - \$1.00

Sleeves are a clear, lightweight plastic that a poster or salon print slide into. Be careful with the sleeves and you may possibly reuse them later.

Please note: We will be printing Exhibit Tags for each project from FairEntry for pick up on **June 4th from 5-7pm at the Extension Office.** The Exhibit Tag size will be the same as last year. The tag size will be roughly 3" (wide) x 4" (tall). Tags should be placed in the lower right hand corner of posters **ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE SLEEVE.** We will be adding placement stickers to the tags at judging. Tags for non-poster projects should be attached with string. Please write your name on the back/bottom of your project or under where the tag will go as a back up in case a tag is lost.



28"



MANUALS & RECORD SHEETS

How do you find out about the requirements for your project? Refer to the Warren County 4-H Handbook. Projects vary in requirements from what is stated in the manuals. Be sure that you check out what the Handbook says. It will override what is in the manual. You will need to meet the project requirements (including activities in the manuals and/or records sheets to exhibit your project and to be complete). The 2026 4-H Handbook can be found online at www.extension.purdue.edu/warren

You will not be considered completed in the project unless your manual and/or record sheet is filled out.

HUBNER INDUSTRIES SPONSORED T-SHIRTS!!!

Hubner Industries is once again sponsoring a t-shirt for all 4-H and Mini 4-H Members who complete 4-H. There is only one t-shirt per 4-H member.

There are t-shirts available for the 4-H Leaders and Superintendents as well.

The t-shirts will be available at the Fair Office at various times during project entry and the first day of the Fair.

Times to pick up your t-shirt are:

June 13, Saturday 8:00 am - 2:30 pm @ Fair Office

June 15, Monday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm @ Fair Office



NON ANIMAL PROJECT COMPLETION

Are things not quite coming together for your project exhibit like you thought? Are you wondering if you can get your project completed? ***You can still complete your project if you complete the project requirements of the manual and/or record sheet.*** We know that most of you want to get your exhibit for the fair completed, but we realize that roadblocks do come up (broken parts, missing pieces or just not coming together like you hoped). To complete your project you will want to turn in your project record sheet and/or manual with activities completed, when the project is due.

* LIVESTOCK must do a poster or interactive demo to complete if an animal is not being shown.

EXHIBIT INFO

After your project has been judged, it will remain on display either at the Senior Center or the Coliseum for the duration of the fair. You may see your project on display between 10 am and 7 pm, starting Monday, June 15th.

PROJECT PICK-UP

All static projects, ribbons and judging feedback will be released between **3-4 pm on Saturday, June 20th from the Senior Center.**

This is your responsibility. Please make arrangements with a friend to remove your projects from the fairgrounds if you are unable to do so yourself.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

If you are one of the hard-working winners of a Sweepstakes Award in any static project please plan to attend the Awards Program on **Monday, June 15 at 6 pm** in the Coliseum. The Sweepstakes Sponsors will be in attendance to pass out a nice gift; they are always eager to meet you. **Please let us know if you are unable to attend.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- FOOD BUILDING: Monday - Saturday 8 am - 9 pm
- FAIR CLEAN-UP: Sunday, June 21, 11:30 am

FOOD BUILDING

The 4-H Fair Board helps support our 4-Hers. The Food Building and the Carnival are the two main moneymakers that the board relies on to bring in funds to maintain the upkeep the fairgrounds. The Food Building depends on volunteers help work in the building. Often times our workers include employees from different businesses, 4-H club members & their families, as well as any interested citizens. Please contact a Fair Board member if you are interested in volunteering in the Food Building.

4-H FAIR BOARD & 4-H COUNCIL

The 4-H Fair Board and 4-H Council are each great groups of individuals who are dedicated to making the best better here in the Warren County 4-H program. If you are interested in becoming a member of either, please contact Emily Ade. There is a short volunteer application process to get involved.

STATE FAIR TICKETS

We will send an email in 4HOnline when we have the complimentary tickets available at the Extension Office. Each 4-H Member and 4-H Volunteer registered in 4HOnline gets **one** ticket.



HAND WASHING

Hand Washing is one of the most important ways to prevent the spread of germs. When washing hands, it is important to scrub for a full 20 seconds. Many forget to wash their hands for this long. Teaching children in a child care setting to sing a "hand washing song" while they wash is a good way to help them measure if they have been scrubbing long enough.

Washing removes bacteria physically and some soaps kill bacteria. Unfortunately, most people don't wash their hands as often as they think they do.

Wash your hands before you eat or prepare food. Wash your hands after you prepare food, use the toilet, change diapers, handle garbage or dirty dishes, touch your hair, body or other people and clean or touch dirty laundry. How to do the best job? Turn on the water as hot as you are comfortable. Wet your hands. Add soap and lather for 20 seconds. Rinse hands under water and dry with a paper towel or air dry. **Source: eXtension**



4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION

The Livestock Auction will be **Saturday, June 20 at 6pm.** The Auction Committee will be retaining 3% of your total check. This helps to offset the costs of animal tags each year, as well as promoting and conducting the auction.

Your checks will be available at the Extension Office by early August.

Please be sure to personally thank your buyer the night of the auction and send them a thank you note in the mail.

Barn Bids will again be offered on animals not entered in the Livestock Auction. So, if you have more than one animal at the fair and wish to sell them through the barn you may, but once animals are signed up, no changes will be allowed.

Auction it is your responsibility to sign up your auction and barn animals **BY NOON on FRIDAY, JUNE 19!** You may only sell one animal in the 4-H Auction. *If you do not sign up your animals you may be ineligible to sell or barn bid your animal.*

Please personally invite potential buyers to the auction - your invitation will be more meaningful to a potential buyer than ours.



NOTE: The Auction Committee requires that all animals (**including rabbits and poultry**) going through the auction must go to the designated market buyer. Rabbit and Poultry members may only sell meat animals.

NO DOGS ALLOWED ON FAIRGROUNDS



4-H Dogs at the Dog Show are the **ONLY** exception!!!!

INDIANA STATE FAIR

Showing your animal at the Indiana State Fair? View this year's entry book and enter your 2026 Indiana State Fair entries at <https://bit.ly/3wiQ9f2>

Note: There is an increased cost the longer you wait to sign up for the Indiana State Fair.

LIVESTOCK RELEASE

Animals staying are released Friday, June 19 at 10 PM and must be off of the Fairgrounds by Saturday, June 20 by 10 AM. Except sale animals. Swine not going through the auction are released immediately following the Sweepstakes show on Thursday evening, June 18.

Rabbit & Poultry Members must keep at least one animal at the Fairgrounds until release.

Rabbits & Poultry going home must be off the Fairgrounds immediately following the show.



UPCOMING 4-H CLUB MEETINGS

ALL CLUBS: Please contact your club leaders for more information if you do not see your club below.

HORSE & PONY CLUB: Meeting and Open Ride on Saturday, June 6th at 6pm at the Fairgrounds. Livestock Set Up is Thursday, June 11 at 5pm.

JR LEADERS: The Jr. Leaders are ready to get busy. The June 1st meeting had the Jr. Leaders doing misc. clean-up including the Jr. Leader stand and their stretch of highway. At our June 10th Meeting we will wrap up setting up the Jr. Leader Stand and help prepare for project judging. Don't forget to sign up for your activities and shift in the Jr. Leader Stand. Add link here

The Completion Trip is planned for Mammoth Cave & White-Water Rafting July 10-12. Signup is early this year as tickets will need to be purchased for the cave tour early. **Signup will need to be completed through 4honline under Events, look for 2026 Jr Leader Completion Trip.** The total cost for completed Jr. Leaders will be \$75. A deposit of \$25 will need to be made by June 10 and the final payment of \$50 will be due June 24.

Activities & Meetings

Wed. June 10, Completion Trip Signup Due - 4honline

Wed. June 10, 7-8:30pm, 4-H Fairgrounds - Stand & Judging Set-up

Questions contact your leaders,

Kelly Pearson (765)585-3304 kppearson@purdue.edu

Deanna Shafer-Rater (765)413-7016 deannar@purdue.edu

MINI 4-H CLUB: Mini 4-H Day is Tuesday, June 4th from 9am-3pm at the Extension Office/Fairgrounds.

POULTRY CLUB: June 3rd at the Purdue Extension Warren County office starting at 6:30pm.

WEST SIDE SIX: Meeting on June 2nd from 6-7pm at the Williamsport Nursing Home. We will be handing out the blankets we made and playing bingo and board games with the residents. Parents are welcome to stay and join in.



4-H FAIR SAFETY PLAN

The Warren County 4-H Fair Board works hard to make the fair a safe place for all. Signs will be in place for the storm shelters at the Fair. The storm shelters include the Senior Center, bathrooms near the Senior Center, the Extension Office and the restrooms in the Livestock Barn.

The State Fire Marshall mandates that only approved tents are allowed. No temporary tents will be allowed per State Fire Marshall.

Please use common sense while at the fair and listen for instructions in the case of inclement weather. Make sure your child knows where the shelters are and have a plan in place. We are looking forward to a great, hopefully storm free, 4-H Fair!



Carnival: Luehrs Ideal Rides
Open June 16-20 from 6-10pm
NOT open on Monday, June 15th.

Wristbands for Unlimited Rides:
June 16, 18, 19 - \$30 each
June 17, Buddy Night - 2 for \$35

\$20 ADVANCE SALE COUPON

Valid for either one regular wristband on Tuesday, Thursday or Friday or one sheet of tickets any day.

Can be purchased at the Purdue Extension Warren County office on June 4th from 5:30-7:30pm or during business hours at Farmers & Merchants Bank in Williamsport, Fountain Trust Bank in Attica or Williamsport, Fowler State Bank in Williamsport or The Hair Port.



FairEntry Due

June 1

Mini 4-H Day

June 4

4-H Day Camp

June 8-10

Completed Grades 3-6

Exhibit Tag Pick Up

June 4 from 5-7pm

Pre-Fair

Saturday, June 13

2026 Warren County

4-H Fair

June 15-20

Independence Day—Office CLOSED

July 2 & 3

2026 IN State Fair

August 7 - 23

Closed Mondays

Labor Day—Office CLOSED

Sept. 7

TENTATIVE
2026 PRE-FAIR & FAIR SCHEDULE

107th Annual Warren County 4-H Fair

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

8:00-9:00 AM- **4-H Project Entries Due**
Coliseum (Under Bleachers): Electric, Entomology, Forestry, Crops, Weather & Climate Science & Wildlife
Food Building: Arts & Crafts, Shooting Sports
4-H Annex (Front): Photography
Senior Center: Achievement Record, Animal Project Posters, Child Development, Computer, Do Your Own Thing, Mini, Scrapbooking, Woodworking, & Vet Science
4-H Annex (Garage): Aerospace
Extension Office: Cake Decorating, Cupcake Decorating & Foods
4-H Annex (Garage): Floriculture & Garden
Coliseum: 4-H Dog Show
 9:30 AM - Open Judging for projects listed above
 10:00 AM- *Park Pavilion:* Tractor/Mower Contest Judging
 12:30-1:00 PM- *Warren County Learning Center:* Sewing Entries Due
 1:00 PM- *Warren County Learning Center:* Construction Judging
 2:00 PM- *4-H Annex (Garage):* 4-H Cat Show
 2:30 PM *Warren County Learning Center:* Consumer Clothing Entries Due
 3:00 PM *Warren County Learning Center:* Consumer Clothing Judging & Modeling
 4:00 PM- *Warren County Learning Center:* Fashion Revue Modeling for Sewing Project
 5:00 PM- *Seeger Softball Diamond:* Aerospace Launch
 9:30 PM- *Williamsport Park:* 4-H Glow Run

MONDAY, JUNE 15

7:00-8:00 AM- *Coliseum:* Poultry Entries Due
 7:00 AM-9:00 AM- *Sheep & Goat Barn:* Sheep & Goat Entries Due
 9:00 AM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Poultry Show
 9:30 AM- *Sheep & Goat Barn:* Sheep & Goat Weigh-In
 12:00-1:00 PM- *Horse Arena:* 4-H Horse & Pony Entries Due
 1:00-2:00 PM- *Horse Arena:* Horse & Pony FairEntry Check-in
 3:00-3:30 PM- *Poultry Barn:* Llama Entries Due
 6:00 PM *Coliseum:* 4-H Sweepstakes Awards & 10-Year Member Recognition Program
 7:30 PM- *Coliseum:* Queen Contest \$5 Admit at 7:00 pm
 ~8:15 PM- *Coliseum:* Fashion Revue (During the Queen's Contest Intermission)

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

5:00-7:00 AM- *Swine Barn:* Swine Entries Due
 7:00-8:00 AM- *Coliseum:* Rabbit Entries Due
 8:00-9:00 AM- *Beef Barn:* Beef Entries Due
 8 AM-12:00 PM- *Swine Barn:* Swine Weigh-In
 9:00 AM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Rabbit Show
 9:30 AM- *Beef Barn:* Beef Weigh-In
 1:00 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Llama Show
 3:00 PM- *Horse Arena:* 4-H Horse & Pony Show
 5:00-7:00 PM- *Back of Coliseum:* Livestock Board Bake Sale
 6:00 PM- *Coliseum:* Leaping Llama/Costume
 6:00 PM- *Carnival:* LUEHRS'
 7:00 PM- *Basketball Court:* 3 on 3 Basketball

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

8:00 AM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Sheep Show
 9:00 AM- *Extension Office:*
Empower me to be Clutter Free
 by Ashlee Merryman,
Purdue Extension Regional Educator
 10:15 AM- *Extension Office: Butterflies in my Backyard*
 by Sage Sharma, Warren County 4-Her/Jr.
 Leader & Kent Walters
 1:00 PM- *Extension Office: Sleep On It: Why Sleep Matters*
 by Brock Turner, & Ashlee Merryman,
Purdue Extension Regional Educator
 1:00 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Goat Show
 5:00 PM- *Horse Arena:* 4-H Horse & Pony Fun Classes & Alumni Show
 6:00 PM- *Carnival:* LUEHRS'
 7:30 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Olympics,
 Sponsored by Tri Kappa

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

10:00 AM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Swine Show
 6:00 PM- *Carnival:* LUEHRS'
 6:30 PM- *Back of Coliseum:* Walk a Llama Fundraiser
 7:00 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Swine Sweepstakes Show
After Sweepstakes- Swine Released (except swine participating in auction)

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

10:00 AM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Beef Show
 12:00 PM- *Fair Office:* Auction Slips Due
 3:00 PM- *Coliseum:* Supreme Showmanship Meeting
 6:00 PM- *Carnival:* LUEHRS'
 6:00 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Supreme Showmanship Contest
 8:00 PM- *Coliseum:* Talent Show followed by Route 117 Concert
 10:00 PM- *4-H Livestock Released (except sale animals)*

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

10:00 AM- **ALL 4-H Livestock MUST be off fairgrounds except livestock in the 4-H Auction**
 10:00-1:00 PM- *Horse Arena:* RC Tractor Pull, sponsored by Weedwacker
 10:30 AM- *Coliseum:* Registration- Kiddie Tractor Pull
 11:00 AM- *Coliseum:* Kiddie Tractor Pull, with Seeger FFA
 1:30 PM- *Coliseum:* Registration for Baby Contest
 2:00 PM- *Coliseum:* Baby Contest
 3:00-4:00 PM- *Senior Center: 4-H Project Pick Up at appropriate locations*
 3:00- 4:00 PM- *Fairgrounds:* America's 250th Celebration Golf Cart Parade
 6:00 PM- *Carnival:* LUEHRS'
 6:00 PM- *Coliseum:* 4-H Livestock Auction
 10:00 PM- Fireworks!!!

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

11:30- AM- *Fairgrounds Clean Up – Everyone*