



Highlights Happening Here at Headquarters

**March/
April 2019**

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Hello everyone!

It's hard to believe that it's already March! 2019 is flying by and the Fair will be here before we know it! There are a lot of great trips, workshops, and opportunities available for 4-H members and volunteers. Be sure to read through this newsletter and keep an eye out for more information about these opportunities.

For those of you who are new to the White County 4-H program, we are so glad that you are joining us and we hope you enjoy your White County 4-H experience! Information about 4-H activities and events are included in the bimonthly "Highlights Happening Here at Headquarters" White County 4-H newsletter, as well as on the Purdue Extension - White County webpage.

As you read through this newsletter please take note of several important pieces of information. A couple of the highlights include:

- **4-H Enrollment**
- **4-H Deadlines**
- **Upcoming Workshops and Trainings**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office at (219) 984-5115

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4-H Calendar



- 4 **Union Township Goal Getters 4-H Club**, 6:30 p.m., Monticello Christian Church Fellowship Hall
- 5 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 5 4-H **Goat Club Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 5 4-H **Shooting Sports Safety Program**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 7 4-H **Shooting Sports Safety Program**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 9 4-H **Shooting Sports Safety Program**, 9 a.m., 4-H Bldg., Reynolds
- 10 **Monon Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Monon Fire Station
- 11 West Point Twp. 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Meadow Lake Church, Wolcott
- 12 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 12 4-H **Horse & Pony Meeting**, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 6 **Ag Association Meeting**, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 11 **Prairie Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Frontier Elementary School
- 18 4-H **Rabbit Club Tip Night** at Pizza Hut Monticello, 5-8 p.m.
- 18 4-H **Poultry Club Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 19 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 19 **Making Strides** 4-H Club Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Idaville Firehouse, Idaville
- 20 **Honey Creek Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting/Open House, 6-8 p.m., 4-H Building, 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 26 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 1 **West Point Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Meadow Lake Church, Wolcott
- 2 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 2 4-H **Goat Club Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 3 **Ag Association Meeting**, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 5 4-H **Goat Club Fundraiser**, 5-8 p.m., Monticello Pizza Hut
- 8 **Prairie Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Frontier Elementary School
- 9 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 9 4-H **Horse & Pony Meeting**, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 10 **YQCA Certification Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 11 4-H **Shooting Sports Discipline Shoot**, 6:30 p.m., Camp Buffalo
- 13 **4-H Fairgrounds Clean-up Day**, 9 a.m., All 4-H Members, Parents and Volunteers are asked to help. (Rain date: April 27)
- 13 4-H **Rabbit Workshop**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 14 **Monon Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Monon Fire Station
- 15 4-H **Poultry Club Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 16 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 18 4-H **Shooting Sports Discipline Shoot**, 6:30 p.m., Camp Buffalo
- 19 **Good Friday - Extension Office Closed**
- 20 4-H **Horse & Pony Open Fun Horse Show**, 9 a.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 23 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 23 4-H **Rabbit Club Meeting**, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, Reynolds
- 24 **Honey Creek Twp.** 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., 4-H Building, 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds
- 25 4-H **Shooting Sports Discipline Shoot**, 6:30 p.m., Camp Buffalo
- 29 **Liberty Township** 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Buffalo Firehouse, Buffalo
- 30 4-H **Dog Workshop**, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Fairgrounds, Reynolds



4-H Fairgrounds Spring Cleaning Day

On **Saturday, April 13th** beginning at 9 a.m., **4-H members and their families** are invited to assist the White County Ag Association with the annual Spring Cleaning Day at the Fairgrounds. Please bring rakes, shovels, trash bags, and a smile to help us keep our fairgrounds looking great! (Rain date: April 27)

If you have any 4-H events or activities that you would like to add to the White County Extension calendar, please contact the White County Extension Office at (219) 984-5115.

Mark Your Calendars!

2019 White County 4-H Fair: July 12-18, 2019
2019 Indiana State Fair: August 2-18, 2019

4-H Enrollment - Update!

There is still time to enroll in 4-H in 2019! The official online enrollment window was from October 1st to January 15th, however youth can still enroll in White County 4-H using 4HOnline at <https://in.4honline.com>. Anyone who needs assistance or does not have access to 4HOnline should contact the White County Extension Office at (219) 984-5115 or stop by our office, which is located at 12 N. 25 E. in Reynolds. Office hours are Monday—Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

A few notes about enrollment:

- For youth who were enrolled in 4-H for the 2017-2018 year, you will use the same family profile that was created last year. If you have forgotten your email or password, please contact the Extension Office.
- There is a \$25 enrollment fee per member, with a maximum of \$75 per family. This fee includes the State 4-H program fee and helps to pay for the educational materials provided and events throughout the year. There is no fee for Mini 4-H (grades K-2)
- When completing online enrollment, be sure that the Emergency Contact listed is someone outside of the home that we can contact when the parents cannot be reached.
- **REMINDER!** - For youth who enroll in the Arts & Crafts, Crops, Mini 4-H, and Photography projects: When you enroll in 4HOnline, you will sign up for the general project type. At a date closer to the Fair, you will decide which specific projects you will be exhibiting. We hope this will help to eliminate some confusion at enrollment!
- Youth must be enrolled in White County 4-H by **May 15th** in order to exhibit at the 2019 Fair.
- Members who wish to enroll in any **live animal project projects** must do so by **May 15th** to meet state deadlines and county requirements. Earlier livestock enrollment may be required for certain animals requiring retinal scanning, ear tagging, etc. - watch for additional information!

**We hope you'll think about joining us for all that 4-H has to offer!
Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns.**

Mini 4-H

Mini 4-H is for youth in Kindergarten – 2nd grade and is a great opportunity for youth who are too young to join 4-H to see what the 4-H program is all about. In White County, Mini 4-H members join and participate in a Township 4-H Club, but also will have the chance to participate in some fun Mini 4-H workshops throughout the year. Mini 4-H members can also choose to exhibit projects at the White County 4-H Fair.

Mini 4-H project options include: Animal Poster, Cake Decorating, Collections, Crafts, Flowers, Foods, Forestry, Models, Nature, and Sewing. Mini 4-H members can also participate in Mini 4-H Animal Showmanship classes for Sheep, Goats, Dairy, Beef, Poultry, Rabbits, and Horses during the Fair.

Enroll in White County Mini 4-H online at <https://in.4honline.com> or by visiting the White County Extension Office, at 12 N 25 E, Reynolds, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2019 White County 4-H Handbook

The White County 4-H Handbook is now available on the Purdue Extension - White County website at <https://extension.purdue.edu/white/article/31298>. If you would prefer a printed copy, they are available for \$5 from the Extension Office. Please read the 2019 requirements before starting any project.

Rabbit Club Workshop

The Rabbit Club is planning an educational workshop on April 13th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the 4-H Community Building in Reynolds.

White County 4-H Important Deadline Checklist

- ☑ **April 1st** – Beef and Dairy Beef Steer Identification deadline on **4HOnline**
- ☑ **April 26th** - 4-H Camp Applications Due (letters will be mailed out first of April) to **Extension Office**
- ☑ **May 15th** - Last Day to Enroll in White County 4-H and be eligible to exhibit at the 2019 White County 4-H Fair (**4HOnline or Extension Office**)
- ☑ **May 15th** - Last Day to Add/Drop Projects in **4HOnline** or by contacting Extension Office
- ☑ **May 15th** - Livestock Identification deadline in **4HOnline** (Beef Steers due April 1st)
- ☑ **June 26th** - Live Animal (Beef, Cat, Dairy, Dog, Goat, Horse, Llama, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, Small Animal, Swine), Exhibit Hall, and Fair Event Entries due in **online FairEntry** program by midnight
- ☑ **June 26th** - Live Animal (Beef, Cat, Dairy, Dog, Goat, Horse, Llama, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, Small Animal, Swine) Educational Activities and record sheets (if applicable) due in the **Extension Office**
- ☑ **June 26th** - Youth Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA) certification must be completed to exhibit beef, dairy, swine, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits. More information on YQCA is on page 8 of the newsletter.

**Please note whether the item is due to the Extension Office or in 4HOnline or FairEntry. Items due to the Extension Office must be received in the Office by the close of business (4 p.m.) on all due dates, with the exception of weekends. Due dates falling on a weekend, will be accepted until 4 p.m. the next business day. 4HOnline deadlines are midnight on the date listed.*

We're on the Web!!!

If you are looking for upcoming information on workshops, meetings or other 4-H activities, check us out on the web at <https://extension.purdue.edu/white>. We will also update the website if any meetings/events are canceled or rescheduled. You can also find us on Facebook at Purdue Extension - White County.



White County Ag Day

The 23rd Annual White County Ag Day will be held at the 4-H Fairgrounds on Friday, April 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Approximately 350 fourth grade students from all of the White County Elementary Schools will be in attendance.

Ag Day is designed to teach students the importance of agriculture in their daily lives through demonstrations and hands-on displays. Stations include Ag Past, Present, and Future; Crops; Farm Safety; Soil and Gardening; Dairy; Goats; Swine; Beef; Sheep; Poultry; and Horses.

4-H Club Leader Information

A Few Reminders:

- Don't forget to turn in a list of upcoming Club Meetings and Events so that we can add it to the Extension Calendar and Extension webpage
- Be sure to file the e-Postcard for your Club before May 15th! Send a copy of the e-filing receipt to the Extension Office for our records
- If you have not yet completed the Minors Training in 4HOnline, this needs to be completed ASAP!

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us - we are here to help!

4-H Junior Leader Information

Next Meeting: There will be no formal meeting in March!

Monday evenings throughout March, Junior Leaders will be volunteering at the White County Food Pantry. Volunteering for a shift at the Food Pantry will count towards your monthly attendance and as one of your Community Service requirements.

Please only go to the shift for which you signed up - the Food Pantry has a limited amount of space and cannot accommodate a large number of volunteers.

Junior Leader T-shirt order forms were sent home at the February meeting and e-mailed to participants. T-shirt order forms are due to the Extension Office by March 15th. To obtain an order form please contact our office.

Junior Leaders are seeking volunteers to help with this years Ag Day, which will be held on April 5th at the fairgrounds. Help will also be needed the afternoon of April 4th for setup. If you are interested in volunteering please contact our office.

*****Don't forget to sign-up for the Junior Leader Project in 4HOnline before May 15th!!! You have to enroll in the project in order to get credit for completing Junior Leaders!*****

4-H Camp!!!

4-H Camp will be held this year from June 5-7 at YMCA Camp Tecumseh in Brookston. All 4-H members in grades 3-6 are eligible to attend. Information about 4-H Camp will be sent to all eligible 4-H members on the first of April, and must be turned in by April 26th. We can only send a limited number of campers from White County and selection will be on a first come, first serve basis. 4-H Camp is a great way for youth to learn new things and make new friends from both White County and surrounding counties.



Congratulations to White County 4-H Member Erika Campbell, who was chosen to serve as a 4-H Camp Counselor in 2019!

Volunteer Information

Anyone who wishes to work with the White County 4-H program needs to be an approved 4-H Volunteer. All new volunteers will need to contact the White County Extension Office for information on how to complete the volunteer approval process.

All returning 4-H volunteers will need to re-enroll annually using the 4HOnline system. Volunteers should log into 4HOnline using the login email and password that was used when enrolled in 4HOnline last year. If you have forgotten your email or password or enrolled using a paper form last year, please contact the Extension Office.

REMINDER: All volunteers will be required to complete an online Youth Safety and Reporting Child Abuse training course called Operating Procedures for Programs Involving Minors. This is a policy developed by Purdue to ensure that programs involving minors are planned carefully and include safety as the highest priority. As part of this policy, all Purdue Extension Staff and Volunteers will complete this training course. Once completed, this certification will be good for 2 years. **If you completed your training in 2016 you must recertify this year.** The training can either be completed in 4HOnline or by coming into the Extension Office, and takes approximately 20 minutes to complete. For anyone who needs assistance or does not have access to 4HOnline, this training can be completed at the White County Extension Office.

Please be sure to enroll as a 4-H Volunteer before you begin working with 4-H youth. This is for the safety of the youth and volunteers alike, and is required. Please contact the White County Extension Office at (219)984-5115 with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for volunteering with the White County 4-H Program. Without all of you, our program would not be as successful as it is!

Volunteers Needed!!!

We are always looking for great volunteers to work with the White County 4-H Program. If you would be interested in helping, or know someone who would be interested, please let the Extension Office know. If there are any other projects that you would be interested in helping with, we would be glad to have you!

4-H Beef and Dairy Beef Steer Identification

We will be using the 4HOnline system, <https://in.4honline.com> again this year to identify Beef and Dairy Beef animals. Following weigh-in, youth will be responsible for completing the online Animal ID process for their animals. Instructions for completing the online Animal ID were mailed to all families and can be found on the White County Extension webpage at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/White/pages/article.aspx?intItemID=24213>. If you are unable to complete your Animal ID online or need help, please contact the Extension Office for assistance. Any animals that a member may want to exhibit at either the White County Fair or the Indiana State Fair must be identified in 4HOnline by the required deadlines.

- All Beef and Dairy Beef Fat Steers must be identified in 4HOnline no later than April 1st.
- All Beef Heifers and Beef/Dairy Beef Feeder Calves must be identified in 4HOnline no later than May 15th. *The option to identify Feeder Calves in 4HOnline will not be available until April 2nd to prevent steers from being entered in the wrong class.*
- Dairy Beef Feeder Steers not tagged at the 4-H Beef Weigh-in in February must contact the Extension Office prior to May 15th to schedule tagging of the animal(s). Tagging and verification by the Dairy Committee must be done by May 15th.
- If you are planning to show at the state fair, you must turn in your DNA hair sample to the Extension Office by April for market steers and May 15 for registered heifers, commercial heifers and dairy feeder steers.
- There is an option in 4HOnline for a Cow-calf pair – please be sure to identify these animals by May 15th. If you plan to also show the calf as a prospect animal, it should be identified as part of the Cow-Calf pair and also in the individual steer or heifer class.
- Beef Steers and Heifers born and bred in White County are eligible for the County Born and Bred classes at the 2018 White County 4-H Beef Show. These animals must be identified by the deadlines and the County Born/Raised box must be checked while identifying the animal online.
- Beef and Dairy Beef members will complete the FairEntry process between June 1st and June 26th to identify the specific animals that will be brought to the White County 4-H Fair. Instructions on this process will be made available at a later date.

If you have any questions about the Animal Identification process, please contact the White County Extension Office at 219-984-5115.

YQCA and Coupon Codes

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a program is designed to educate producers (exhibitors) on the care of their animals in order to provide a safe product for consumers.

This training is for every 4-Her in grades 3 through 12 who is exhibiting beef, dairy, sheep, swine, goats, rabbits, or poultry at the White County Fair and/or Indiana State Fair. This is a mandatory program. You must be YQCA certified by June 26th in order to exhibit. There is an option to complete this program either online or in person.

For an in-person training, register at yqca.learn4h.org using your 4-H Online credentials. The cost of an in-person training is \$3. If you would like to attend the in-person training **FREE** call the Extension Office at 219-984-5115 on or after April 1 and you could receive a coupon code before you register online. There are a limited number of coupon codes, so they will be distributed on a first call first serve basis. Be sure to call early if you would like a coupon.

The following in-person trainings will be available at the White County 4-H Building in Reynolds.

April 10th	6:30 – 8:00pm
May 9th	6:30 – 8:00pm
June 18th	6:30 – 8:00pm

To complete the training online, visit the website <http://yqca.org> logging in using your 4HOnline email and password. The cost of the online training is \$12.

If you have any questions about this process, feel free to contact the Extension Office at 219-984-5115. You can also email me at awestfal@purdue.edu.



YQCA FAQ's:

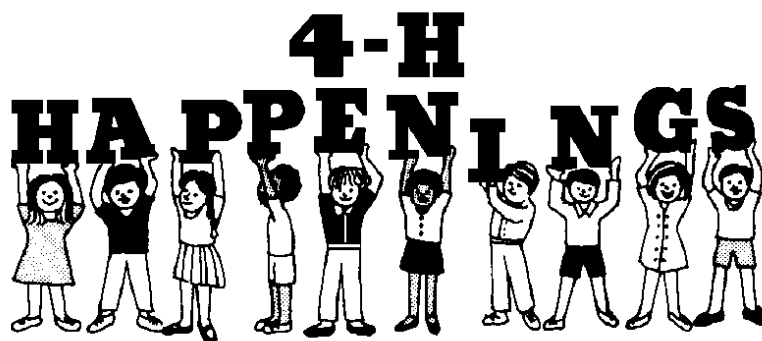
- **Do Mini 4-H Members need a YQCA Certification?:** No, this is for 4-H members in grades 3-12.
- **What if I show multiple animal species?:** You only need to complete the certification once per year, and that will apply to each of your animals.
- **Can I attend a YQCA In-Person Training in another county?:** Yes, if our schedule does not work for you, you can attend a class in any other county. You can find all classes listed at yqca.org when signing up.
- **What if I still have a valid PQA Certification?:** Currently, if you have a valid PQA Certification, it will be honored until it expires, even if you show multiple species.
- **How is my certification valid?:** In most instances, your certification is valid for one year.
- **What if I am not selling my animal in the Auction?:** This is not an auction requirement, it is an exhibit requirement, so to show your animal, you must complete the certification.

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