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**Wabash County  
Illinois 4-H**

## Calendar of events

*(Dates are tentative and subject to change)*

### September

- ➔ 1st Start of the new 4-H Year!!
- ➔ 2nd Leaders' meeting at the Extension office at 6:00 pm
- ➔ 15th Day you can start Re-Enrolling!!
- ➔ 27th Town & Country Meeting at the Quail Club @6:00pm

### October

- ➔ 1st 4-H Club Annual Financial Statements due at the extension office.
- ➔ 3rd-9th National 4-H Week!
- ➔ 4th Last day to have your window display completed
- ➔ 5th Judging for the Window Display will take place
- ➔ 7th Fall Fun Fest
- ➔ 12th 1st Federation & Jr. Federation Meeting @ 6:00pm

## 4-H Club Annual Financial Statements Due to the Extension Office!

Leaders: Don't forget that your club's Annual Financial Statement must be turned into the extension office no later than 4:30 pm on Thursday September 30th! Please use the copy of the statement that was mailed to you.

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## National 4-H Week:

**“Find Your Spark”**

## **Window Display Contest**



### **Guidelines**



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Wabash County is looking to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week. Clubs may decorate a window or storefront. Your club can plan and build a window display that lets people know what 4-H has to offer. Each club that constructs an educational and promotional window display is eligible to receive a prize!

1. The display can be constructed in any large storefront window in Wabash County.
2. Must include contact information for your club and the extension office.
3. Must contact the business and receive permission.
4. You must let the extension office know by September 28th where your club plans to display.
5. Your display must be in place by October 4th.

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## Fall Fun Fest

### Fall Fun Fest



Bring a friend and  
get your name in a  
drawing for a prize!!

JOIN US  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021  
AT BEALL WOODS STATE PARK NEAR THE  
AMPHITHEATER  
FROM 5:30 PM-7:30PM

THIS IS A COME & GO EVENT SO JOIN US WHEN YOU CAN!

Participate in some fun games and activities! Then you  
can warm up by the fire as you roast a hot dog and  
marshmallow. Learn about the 4-H program and enroll if  
you would like!

All Wabash County Youth who are 5-18 years  
old by September 1 are welcome to attend!

We ask that you RSVP by Tuesday, October 5 to ensure we  
have enough supplies for everyone.

You can do so by using this

link: [https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?](https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=24130)

RegistrationID=24130 or call our office at 618-262-5725

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please contact our office



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## New 4-H Year

Happy New Year! We are getting ready to kick-off the 2021-2022 4-H year. Our 4-H members worked so hard this summer getting their 4-H projects ready. While our fair looked a little bit different this year, the projects continued to amaze me!

Again, this year we will be enrolling and re-enrolling on the 4-H online 2.0 system. Starting September 15, you will be able to enroll using your login information. In the near future you will be receiving more emails and some packets in the mail with directions. As always though be sure to reach out to us if you need any assistance.

As you prepare for the new successful 4-H year, it is important to remember a few things. To show at the fair, you must have attended at least four meetings and given a talk or demonstration. Also be sure to watch your email and our Wabash county Facebook page to stay up to date on what is happening. The email address that is connected to your 4-H online account is where we send all the information. If you would like for us to add an email address to the list please let the office know.

We are excited to kick off our new 4-H year and can't wait to bring some fun new things your way!

If you would like to switch clubs or if you are re-entering the 4-H world this year after sitting last year out due to the COVID unknowns. Please get in contact with the club leaders or the extension office as you will not be on their contact list so we want to make sure you know about what's happening in your club!

## Ways to stay informed:

- The monthly newsletters
- E-mail updates-Send a couple of times a month to all Wabash county 4-H families, reminding them of important dates and county events.
- Our Facebook Page-4-H Wabash County, Illinois- Be sure to "like" our page!
- Mailings and flyers distributed at the school-Variety letters, flyers, postcards, etc. are mailed to our 4-H families, and are often taken to the schools to be distributed.
- 4-H Club Meetings- Your leaders often have important and helpful information to pass along!
- Stop in at the office or give us a call!
- Join our Remind—Text 81010 with the message @hfh3b8

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## Fair Wrap Up

### **Remember to say thank you to our award sponsors!!**

If you have not already please send than you cards to:

- ➡ Country Financial Tia Morgan & Jake Toutloff: 827 Chestnut St., Mt. Carmel, IL 62863
- ➡ Country Financial Jody Smith & Bill Stinson: 1128 Oak St., PO Box 159, Mt. Carmel, IL 62863
- ➡ Wabash County Farm Bureau: 1128 Oak St., Mt. Carmel, IL 62863
- ➡ Your Auction Buyer....This should be included with your auction check.

## State Fair Results

**Congratulations to all our exhibitors!!**

Rhiannon Anderson– Photography 1-Blue Ribbon

Brooklyn Bertram– Cooking 101– Blue Ribbon

Alexis Bertram-Cooking301-Blue Ribbon

Greta Hocking– Chalk/Carbon/Pigment-Blue Ribbon

Jackson James-Food Preservation-Blue Ribbon

Josie James-Cooking 101-Blue Ribbon

Eva Hoking– Creative Writing– Grand Champion

Ryland Markle-Food Preservation-Grand Champion

Ruby Newkirk-Clothing 2-Blue Ribbon

Aleah Newkirk– Cooking 101-Blue Ribbon

## Federation & Junior Federation

The Wabash County 4-H Federation invites all high school (and college freshman) aged 4-H members to join our committee.

The Wabash County 4-H Junior Federation invites 6th, 7th,& 8th grade aged 4-H members to join our their committee.

Federation provides extra leadership opportunities by allowing you to have a part in planning and execution of the county's 4-H activities. Meetings involve both business and fun. The first meeting of the new 4-H year will be on Tuesday October 12th at 6:00pm at the extension office.



## Illinois 4-H

Planning ahead.....2021-2022:



Illinois 4-H is joining forces with the Illinois Association of Soil & Water Conservation District Forestry Committee to organize a statewide tree appreciation program entitled: **4-H Green Communities Tree Program**. Several educational forestry topics will be emphasized along with a culminating event of planting trees throughout the state on community based properties in the spring of 2022.

Be thinking of where a tree could go in your community as a survey of interested counties will be done this fall! No cost to you!

Illinois 4-H Contact: Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu)



**Travel Abroad Update!**

### Travel abroad update:

Registration for the Travel abroad 2022 program will open early September.

#### Timeline

Registration must be complete by November 1

First payment of \$1500 due December 1

Second payment \$1500 Due February 1 after Final Approval.

Third and final payment Due April 15, when tickets are purchased.