



Mentor Application

Who: Hancock County Poss-ABILITIES is a non-profit 501c3 that is designed for youth ages 3-25 who have an intellectual, emotional, and/or physical disability interested in learning and participating in livestock exhibition. Participants are paired with mentors, like you, who are actively involved with livestock husbandry and exhibition.

What: Participants & Mentors in the program work one-on-one with the mentor family to become familiar with raising and handling an animal and will exhibit at the 2024 Hancock County Community Fair in the noncompetitive Poss-ABILITIES Showcase on **Wednesday June 18th 10AM**.

Note: The purpose of this program is to give youth and their families an opportunity to work with livestock that they may not have otherwise by having them show a county fair exhibitor's (mentors) project in the special Poss-ABILITIES Showcase.

Requirements: Participants must attend a minimum of 3 farm visits with the mentor family and the animal they will be showing prior to the showcase. Participants must also help prepare the animal for the day of the showcase (i.e. washing, feeding, etc.). This program is completely free for all participants and mentors.

When & Where:

- Initial Meet & Greet will be held **Friday April 18th at 6:00pm** at the Sarah Burke Building on the Fairgrounds 620 Apple Street Greenfield, IN 46140.
- Mentor families will be first selected on species, secondly on geography to participant's residence when available.
- The Poss-ABILITIES Showcase will be on **Wednesday June 18th 10AM** in the west show arena.

How: Complete the Attached application and return:

Emily Meckel – Hancock County Poss-ABILITIES Program

- Mail: 8266 East 500 South Carthage, IN 46115
- Email: hancockpossabilities@gmail.com
- Submit online through our Facebook page, [Hancock County Poss-Abilities | Facebook](#)
- Call with any questions to:
Emily Meckel – 317.691.5321
Nicki Macy – 260.450.9474



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Please submit your application by April 11th 2025

Name: _____

Parent/Guardian name(s): _____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Preferred method of contact: Phone Text E-mail Mail (circle one)

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Youth Adult (circle one) 4-H Club: _____ Years in 4-H _____

1. Which Species of Animal are you most interested in representing? Please rank your choices if you have more than 1 choice.

a. Sheep _____ b. Goat _____ c. Rabbit _____ d. Pig _____ e. Llama/Alpaca _____

2. Why are you interested in being a mentor for the Poss-ABILITIES program?

3. Do you have any previous experience working with individuals with special needs? (None is required)

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