

DEVELOPING LIFE SKILLS

The Martin County 4-H Program seeks to help youth develop valuable life skills. In 2008, Purdue University distributed surveys to youth who were participating in their final year of Martin County 4-H. The purpose of the survey was to ascertain what these young people had learned by participating in the 4-H program, if anything. Indeed, the respondents had learned something. According to the results of the survey, the youth felt that 4-H had a moderate to major influence on them personally in developing the following life skills: Leadership, Responsible Citizenship, Teamwork, Self-motivation, Self-responsibility, and Goal Setting. In summation, the Martin County 4-H program is successfully helping youth in our community develop life skills that will help them lead positive, productive lives.