

Clover Creations

Huron County 4-H Newsletter

July/August 2024

Dear 4-H Families,

As we are deep in summer activities, I wanted to introduce a new addition to our Huron County Extension Staff!

Please help us welcome Sierra Auck to the Huron County Extension Office.

Sierra is our new Office Assistant. We are so excited to have her here!

Hello! My name is Sierra Auck and I am so excited to work with Huron County Extension. Growing up I was an active participant in 4-H, participating in a variety of still projects and also showing goats and rabbits. I graduated from Edison High School in 2019. I then furthered my education at The Ohio State University, where I graduated in 2023. I enjoy spending my time with family and friends, and also my two dogs, Jack and Brutus. I am looking forward to getting to know the individuals from Huron County. Hope to see you all soon!

If you see Sierra this summer, be sure to give her a warm welcome.

Best regards,

Haley Palmer
Extension Educator
4-H Youth Development



CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

July

- 1 State Fair Horse Registration Deadline
- 1 "Before" Pictures of Refinished Furniture Due
- 4 Independence Day Holiday, Office Closed
- 7 Dog Workshop & Skillathon, 7:00 p.m.
- 8 FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE!
- 8 Horse Vaccination Forms Due
- 9 CARTEENS, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- 11 Senior Fair Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 16 Fine Arts Judging, Expo Building Fairgrounds
- 17 Clothing Judging, Expo Building, Fairgrounds
- 17 Rabbit Tattooing, 7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds
- 18 Foods Judging, Expo Building, Fairgrounds
- 18 Junior Fair Board, 7:00 p.m.
- 18 Senior Fair Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 19 State Fair Selections, by appointment
- 20 Dog Show, 9:00 a.m., Fairgrounds
- 22 Jr. Fair King & Queen Qualifying Interviews
- 24 Horse Council, 7:00 p.m.
- 24-8/4 Ohio State Fair, Columbus
- 29 Still Project Absentee Judging, by appointment

August

- 1 The Writer in You Materials Due
- 1 Senior Fair Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 2 Junior Fair Workday, 9:00 – 12:00 pm
- 6 CARTEENS, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- 8 Junior Fair Board, 7:00 p.m.
- 9 Junior Fair Workday, 9:00 – 12:00 pm
- 9 State TLC Applications Due
- 11 Junior Fair Projects Enter Fairgrounds:
 - All Livestock (except horses & hogs), 8:00-11:00 a.m.
 - FFA Still Projects, 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
 - 4-H Still Projects, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
 - Horses, 1:00-2:00 p.m.
 - Hogs, 6:00-8:00 a.m.
- 11 Junior Fair Board Chipotle Fundraiser, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- 12 Floriculture, Cloverbuds & Fruit & Vegetable exhibits brought to the fairgrounds
- 12-17 Huron County Fair
- 18 Projects Released from Fair, 8 a.m.-noon

Volunteer & Club Reminders:

Pictures of Refinished Projects Due July 1



All members enrolled in Furniture and Woodwork Recycling, Project #802, were required to turn in a “before” picture of the item(s) they plan to refinish by July 1.

Dimensions of each article must be written on the back of the “before” picture. Members missing the deadline will be able to complete their project and display it at the fair, but their grade will be dropped one letter grade, and they will not be able to place. The fair display must include a small poster with a “before” and “after” picture of each article. Remind members to keep a “before” picture for their fair display poster.

Fair Entry Due July 8

The Huron County Fair is quickly approaching, which means it's fair entry time! The 2024 Huron County Fair will be held August 12-17. A fair entry must be made for everything you plan to exhibit at the fair. All of the information can also be found on our website.

Please read the Fair Requirements letters which relate to your project areas:

<https://huron.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/requirement-letters>

All fair entries are due by July 8. There are **no exceptions** to late entries. Please read the instructions carefully. If you have multiple children to submit entries for, make sure you enter all exhibitors before you hit submit. Otherwise you will have to wait until your entries are approved before you are able to get back into Fair Entry to submit additional entries. Information on how to complete your online fair entries can be found at: <https://huron.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/huron-county-fair#Fair%20Entries>

Fair entries are made at: huroncounty.fairentry.com

School/FFA/Scout Projects ≠ 4-H Projects

No project made as part of a school or community group may be used as part of a 4-H project. Volunteerism is the foundation of our 4-H program, so no project in 4-H may be made under paid personnel's guidance.

4-H and FFA projects exhibited at the fair must be separate and different. For example, a Junior Fair exhibitor may not exhibit market cattle in both organizations. Market cattle include beef feeders, dairy feeders, beef steers/heifers, dairy steers and carcass cattle. A member may, however, exhibit beef breeding in one organization and market cattle in the other. This distinction is the same for all species of market and breeding animals.

A member may exhibit woodworking, metal working, small engines and electricity in both organizations. Projects in these areas are evaluated separately. However, 4-H projects may not be made during ag classes. Floriculture, vegetables and/or crops may only be taken in one organization.

Ohio State Fair Still Project Selection

The Ohio State Fair 4-H project judging is July 24-August 4. Still project state fair selection procedures: All projects judged before the fair will be selected during pre-fair judging. All other still projects will be chosen at 9:00 a.m. at the Extension Office on Friday, July 19. Please make an appointment to be judged if you are interested in qualifying for state fair. See Requirements letters for still projects and when they are judged in Columbus.

Some Projects Judged Before Fair

Four project areas have judging prior to the fair. Refer to the Requirements letters for what is needed at judging.



1. Fine Arts projects include Get Started in Art, Scrapbooking, Cake Decorating and Quilting. They will be judged on Tuesday, July 16, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Expo Building at the Fairgrounds. Specific judging times can be found on the huron.osu.edu website.

2. Clothing/Style Review judging is Wednesday, July 17



starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Expo Building at the Fairgrounds. Specific judging times can be found on the huron.osu.edu website. Members must attend their scheduled interview AND participate in the Style Review in the afternoon for project placing. Members competing in a modeling class must be ready to model as indicated in the pink letter. The Clothing Skillathon will take place during Clothing Judging in the morning.



3. Food and Nutrition & Experiential Foods Judging is on Thursday, July 18, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Expo Building at the Fairgrounds. Specific judging can be found on the huron.osu.edu website. Remind members of the Project Presentation Folder (portfolio) requirement for most foods projects.



4. Dog Show is Saturday, July 20th, registration starting at 9:00 a.m.

Evaluation is a Vital Part of 4-H Projects



4-H members are expected to complete all projects in which they were enrolled in. A member must do their project work and be evaluated on the project to be completed. Members are usually evaluated during judging at the fair or before the fair. Sometimes a member has an unavoidable conflict and cannot (or chooses not to) participate in the regular judging process. Although this member will be ineligible to place in that project, they may still complete the project. There are several ways that projects may be evaluated and considered complete:

Participate in Still Project Absentee Judging: on July 29. Absentee Judging is held in the Extension Office between 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Members must call to set up appointment times. They need to bring their completed project book and project display. Members will receive a grade but will not be eligible to place.

Write a Letter to the 4-H Committee:



Sometimes there are circumstances that prevent a member from completing their project(s) by any methods previously mentioned. These members should write a letter addressed to the 4-H Committee explaining why they could not complete their project and requesting a dismissal. Letters should be sent to the Extension Office by September 6. The 4-H Committee will discuss and vote on all requests for completion.

Feathers and Nests May NOT be in Displays

Wild bird feathers, except legal game species, and all bird nests and eggs are protected under state and federal laws. They are not permitted to be collected, possessed or presented as a part of any display. A member may only collect such items with a state or federal collector's permit from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife.

Livestock Possession Reminder

All livestock entered in the Junior Fair must have been owned or cared for and in the custody of the exhibitor by May 15, except market beef which is December 1 and market poultry which is July 8.

FCS Review and Style Review at the Fair



There are two separate Reviews on Monday night at the fair in the Auctioneer G.A. Pickworth Judging Pavilion. The FCS Review will start at 5:00 p.m. and will include all Food & Nutrition, Experiential Foods, and Fine Arts project members. The Style Review will begin right after the FCS Review. The Style Review includes all clothing projects and modeling. Project members MUST participate in the corresponding Review to be eligible for awards and premiums.

An information sheet with participant instructions will be handed out at judging. Check with your members to make sure they have the sheet.

The Writer in You Materials Due on August 1



Members enrolled in The Writer in You must turn in a notebook containing all writing and their completed project book by 4:30 p.m. on August 1 in the Extension Office. This will allow the judge time to read all of the work before the interview judging at the fair. Members who fail to turn in materials by the deadline will be able to complete their projects and display them at the fair, but they will have their grade dropped one letter and will be ineligible to place. Members should turn in a copy of what will be displayed at the fair but should keep their framed entry to take to the fair.

Items of Interest for Insect Adventures

1. Insect mounting pins for Insect Adventures projects may be purchased from the Extension Office. Size 2 & 3 pins are available. The cost is \$3.00 for 25 pins or \$6.00 for 50 pins.
2. Videos that support activities in the Insect Adventures series are posted and ready to go at www.ohio-4h.org/insects.

Beef Bred Born & Raised (BBR) Divisions



Beef cattle that were bred, born & raised in Huron County may show in that division if the BBR Qualification form was submitted on time and accepted by the Huron Co. Cattlemen's Association. Qualified market beef has the option (declare when weighing). Qualified beef feeders automatically show as BBR.

Thank You Notes Very Important

Please work with your members to assure that appropriate thank you notes are written during and after the fair. Thank you notes should be written to award sponsors (addresses are on the silver plates, plaques & trophies), livestock sale buyers and others who help them. Thank you notes with stamps will be sold at the Junior Fair Office. We are still able to sell thank you notes with stamps for \$1 each this year! The thank you notes were donated and we purchased stamps before the price increase.

It is important that thank you notes are sent and are sincere. We have lost sponsors because they did not receive thank you notes or receive notes that were not heartfelt. Thank you note templates for members and Cloverbuds are available from the Extension Office.

Livestock Must be Drug Residue Legal for Fair

According to the fair book, All livestock must be exhibition drug residue legal by their respective show day.

Make sure your members are paying attention to medication withdrawal times (including medicated feed). Medication must be discontinued in time for the withdrawal period to pass.

DUNF Requirements for Fair



Livestock exhibitors must submit an online Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) for each market animal, feeder calves, lactating dairy cows, and lactating dairy goats when entering the fairgrounds. DUNF will be electronic and completed at the fair. The DUNF must be valid for the day the animal enters the fairgrounds.

Livestock cannot be shown or sold without a complete DUNF on file.

One DUNF is required for each MARKET animal (market steers/heifers, dairy steers, carcass cattle, meat market kids, dairy market kids, market hogs, carcass hogs, market lambs, feeder calves, and turkeys). One DUNF is required per pen for market rabbits and market poultry. Each lactating dairy cow and lactating dairy goat must be covered by a DUNF.

If any animal is treated at the fair, even if there is no withdrawal for the treatment, a DUNF must be filled out and submitted again. Grand & Reserve animals subject to testing must also file a new DUNF.

All Sheep & Goats Need Scrapie Identification



ALL sheep and ALL goats must have official scrapie identification before coming to the fair. Animals should have been tagged or tattooed by the producer that raised them.

Members with animals that are not identified need to check with the producer to have their ID number put in the animal's ear. If this cannot be accomplished, the exhibitor needs to apply for their own scrapie ID number.

Horse Vaccination Forms Due July 8th

All horses exhibited at the fair (Junior Fair and open class) must receive a 5-way vaccination by July 8th. A vaccination form must be filled out and signed and the person administering the vaccine. Back-up horses are included. Failure to turn in the form by the deadline makes the horse ineligible to come to fair.

Poster Contests Benefit Members & Fairgoers

Poster contests are excellent ways for members and fair spectators to learn about livestock species by looking at the posters. A **Fair entry is required to enter the poster contest**. Name, age and club should be written on the back of each poster. Foam boards are not allowed, except in dairy posters.

1. Dairy Poster Contest: Contest is open to all Jr. Fair exhibitors, not just dairy exhibitors. The contest is divided into Senior, Intermediate and Junior divisions. The topic for all divisions is, “A dairy related topic of choice”. Dairy Poster Contest is Class 58, Entry Numbers 1, 2 & 3. Posters must be turned into the Jr. Fair Office by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 11. Dairy exhibitors must participate in the Dairy Poster Contest to be eligible for Premier or Outstanding Exhibitor honors. Huron County Dairy Boosters will pay premiums for the top 10 placings in each division.

2. Goat Poster Contest: All goat exhibitors are encouraged to participate. The contest is divided into three divisions with three distinct topics. Senior division “Goat Diseases”, Intermediate “Housing”, and Junior “General Care”. The Goat Poster Contest is Class 59, Entry Numbers 1, 2 & 3. Posters must be turned in at the Goat Barn by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 11.

3. Dog Poster Contest: Members in projects #200 & #201 make a poster about “Something You Learned from the Project” (see page 7 in the Dog Requirements letter). Members enrolled in dog projects #201 **MUST** enter a poster in the Dog Poster Contest about “First Aid” to be complete and eligible for any premiums from the Huron County Dog Show. The contest is divided into Senior, Intermediate, and Junior Divisions. Project #200 and #202 turn in at Misc. Building on Sunday, August 11 between 10:00 – 3:00 p.m. Project #201 makes a Fair Entry in Class 142 and turns in their poster at the dog show.



Drop Off of Other Posters on August 11

- Horseless Horse posters are turned in at the Jr. Fair Office by 3:00 p.m.
- Pet Care posters (8½ x 11”) are turned in at the FCS Building between 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Certificate of Vaccination for Ferrets are due with posters. Vaccination forms were stapled in books

Livestock Judging Contest Teams

The General Livestock Judging Contest at the fair will be held on Friday, August 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Doug Wilson Barn. Teams of 3 or 4 individuals compete. The top three scores from a team count. Team members do not have to be from the same 4-H club or FFA chapter.

Best Dressed Livestock Contest Fun

The Best Dressed Livestock Contest will be held on Friday, August 16 at 3:30 p.m. in the Doug Wilson Barn. Any Junior Fair exhibitor may enter, using livestock exhibited on the fairgrounds. Limited to small animals only, no horses, ponies, cows, or steers. Miniature horses and ponies 36” and under are permitted. All cattle must be under 800 pounds to participate. There is no pre-entry. All contestants must be in the ring and prepared by 3:30 p.m.

Livestock Resources Available on 4-H Website

A plethora of livestock educational resources are available on the state 4-H website. Go to www.ohio4h.org and click on “Statewide Programs”, “Animal Sciences”, “Livestock”, and “Livestock Resources”.

West/East Lot Parking Hangtag Requirements

Exhibitors with large livestock are entitled to one West/East Lot parking hangtag per family. Hangtags are handed out at the Junior Fair Office on Sunday and Monday.

- Rabbit & poultry exhibitors are not eligible.
- All species must turn in their veterinary check-in form to receive their pass.
- Limited extra hangtags may be purchased at the Secretary’s Office for \$35.00.

Heritage Cookies for Grade A on 4-H Projects

Reminder! If you receive an A on your 4-H project you can take you’re A ribbon to the Heritage area to get a fresh baked cookie. If your project is judged at pre-fair judging, don’t forget to bring your ribbon to the fair to redeem your cookie.

Ownership Remains with Exhibitor After Sale

Exhibitors are responsible for their livestock sale until it is accepted by the buyer and picked up on Sunday. Exhibitors must continue to feed, water, clean and maintain their exhibit area. Buyers have the right to refuse sick or neglected animals and void the sale.

Reminder About Open Class Rabbit Show

The Open Class Rabbit Show is on Tuesday during the fair. The rabbit barn will be closed during the show from approximately 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (or until the end of the show). Exhibitors will not be permitted in the barn during the show. Rabbit water will be checked and maintained.

All Rabbits Must be Tattooed Prior to Fair



All rabbits exhibited at the fair must have a legible tattoo on their left ear. Tattooing will be offered at the fairgrounds in the Auctioneer G.A. Pickworth Judging Pavilion on Wednesday, July 17 from 7:00-7:30 p.m.

Meat pens MUST be tattooed at this clinic. Meat rabbits must have been raised from the exhibitor's own stock. Meat rabbits may be tattooed by family. The exhibitor does not have to be present for tattooing. Any meat rabbits not tattooed at the clinic will be ineligible to come to the fair. All meat rabbits must have an individual tattoo, as well as a fair tattoo. Meat rabbits without an individual tattoo will be tattooed at the clinic. If more than 12 meat rabbits per family are brought to the tattoo clinic, they must already have individual tattoos. Breeding rabbits that need tattoos may be brought to the clinic or they may be tattooed by someone else.

Reminder of Parking & Canopy Rules at Fair

1. No trailers may be parked in the West or East Lot during the fair.
2. Canopies used for grooming shall have a top only, no sides.
3. An open lane shall be maintained between beef cattle grooming canopies and horse club canopies. This lane must be sufficient for safe movement of livestock. Canopies determined to be too large or too close will have to be moved.
4. Grooming canopies by the goat barn is only allowed on show day.



Animal Project Skillathon Changes

The Senior Fair Board recently voted to make changes to the animal project skillathons, please view this google doc for times and study guides:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GXQTJ4VaqIsm2DDpIqRC2HvAbAt0eJJzgY466S6DUI4/edit>

Information is also posted under the Huron County Fair tab on the huron.osu.edu website.

County Opportunities:

Fair Office Opens Monday, July 15



The fair office will be opening for the season on Monday, July 15. The office will be open from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Persons may stop in at the fair office to make open class entries, purchase fair passes and purchase tickets for grandstand events. The office will be open on Saturday, August 10 and Sunday, August 11 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Office hours during the fair will be posted.

Huron County Fair Camping

Anyone wanting to camp at the fairgrounds, who has not camped before, may get their name on a waiting list at the fair office. They open July 15th and you can call them at 419-668-0516. Reminder to those who have a camper spot: Camping fees must be paid by Friday, August 16 at noon to retain the camper spot for 2025.

Junior Fair Exhibitors May Enter Open Class

4-H and FFA exhibitors may enter open class competition by filling out the appropriate entry form in the center of the fair book and turning it into the Secretary's Office at the fairgrounds by July 31. Jr. Fair exhibitors do not have to buy a fair membership pass but must pay all entry and stall fees. Dairy exhibitors should be encouraged to enter open class if they have purebred cattle, since the two shows are combined. Other open class livestock opportunities are in beef breeding, beef feeders, market hogs, ponies, rabbits and poultry.

Attention All 4-H Sewers, Quilters & Needleworker



4-H projects from previous years may be entered in open class sewing. Open class entries exhibit the talents of all ages. When you receive your 2024 fair book, look under Clothing and Home Furnishings Department in the front half of the book. Classes for ages 12 & under or ages 13-18, are listed. Entries are due by July 31.

CMFSC Pie Auction



We're excited to invite all 4-H Clubs to participate in the Community Minded Fair Supporters Committee pie auction during the intermissions of the Huron County Junior Fair King and Queen Competition!

This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your baking skills and give a special "shout-out" to your club.

To participate, simply bring your delectable pies to the Pickworth Judging Pavilion on Monday, August 12th, between 6:00 and 7:00pm. Detailed guidelines are:

1. All pies must be fruit or nut pies
2. Nine (9) inch pies are requested in a ziplock baggy.
3. Pies must be labeled with Name, Address, Kind of Pie and ingredients in pie in descending order of predominance by weight.

Stock the Trailer

As we look forward to the 2024 Huron County fair, our Jr. Fair Board members are requesting your help with the "Fight the Hunger, Stock the Trailer" fundraiser sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America. 2024 will be Huron County's third year participating in this event. In 2024 our county collected 5,320 pounds of food to donate to local food banks. Donations for food will be open until August 18th, the last day of the Huron County Fair. During fair week a livestock trailer will be located within the fairgrounds to be filled with non-perishable food items.

Huron County Grange Food Booth

Huron County Grange is looking for volunteers to help during the fair at the food booth. Shifts are 4 hours long and 5 workers are needed at a time. You will earn money for your 4-H club. Please contact Roland Tkach at 419-554-9472 to sign up your club.

Junior Fair Board Chipotle Fundraiser

The Junior Fair Board is having a Chipotle Fundraiser Sunday, August 11TH from 4-8 p.m. This is the same night as check-in, so perfect for those that do not want to cook that night. 33% of event sales get donated to the Huron County Junior Fair Board. Stop by the Norwalk Chipotle 346 Milan Ave, Norwalk, OH, 44857.

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE:

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OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT:

Go.osu.edu/huroncountyjfbchipotle

Junior Fair King & Queen Contest

Open to all 2024 Huron County Junior Fair exhibitors, 16 to 18 years of age as of January 1, 2024. Must participate in the 2024 Huron County Junior Fair and be a member of a recognized Junior Fair organization (4-H, FFA, FCCLA, scouts).

Pre-fair meetings, application information, and interview information will be posted online. Interviews will be conducted prior to the fair. If for any reason the judging panel does not deem a candidate as a viable option for the role of Huron County Fair King, Queen, or Court, they may be eliminated following the interview.

Scoring will be based on Application, Letter of Recommendation, Activities/Community Service/Work, Interview, and On-Stage questions. The on-stage portion of the contest will take place Monday, August 12 at 7:00pm in the Pickworth Pavilion. Contestants will be crowned at the conclusion of the contest and consist of a King, Queen, and first and second attendant for each.

The contest at the fair will include questions and introductions. Scoring will be divided equally between a Prepared Question and a Fishbowl Question. The Community Minded Fair Supporters Committee will conduct a pie auction while the judges are deliberating. The King, Queen, and Court shall be present for specified events during the week of the fair. The Queen shall be eligible for the Ohio Fairs Queen Contest to be held at the 2025 Ohio Fair Managers Convention in January 2025.

The King, Queen, and Court shall continue to represent the Huron County Fair until their replacements are crowned. Duties include other fairs, festivals, parades in the surrounding area and Monday of the fair the following year.

Contact aaronsmith9560@gmail.com for royalty information.

Huron County Jr Fair Add on Sale

Attention, Exhibitors of the Huron County Fair!

Once again, the Huron County Jr Fair will be offering ADD-ONS for the livestock auction through BW Final Drive. We kindly request all exhibitors to submit their information along with a nice photo to the link provided by **July 10th**.

Visit <https://form.jotform.com/241096000828148> to submit your information.

We are thrilled to announce that each exhibitor will receive their own unique URL to share with friends and family. This URL will direct them to your personal page on the sale site, where they can demonstrate their support and provide additional assistance for your Junior Fair projects.

Seize this opportunity to promote your projects and gain valuable support. Share your unique URL with as many people as possible, including friends, family, and even local businesses. Allow them to be part of your journey and help you achieve your goals!

Keep an eye out for further updates and instructions on accessing your unique URL and utilizing the sale site. We are eagerly anticipating a successful fair, and with your dedication and hard work, we are confident it will be an incredible experience.

Don't let this chance slip away to showcase your projects and gather support. Submit your information **by July 10th** and prepare to make a lasting impact at the Huron County Fair!

If you have any questions, please contact BW Final Drive at 567-214-4081.

Senior Fair Board Director Election

Directors of the Huron County Agricultural Society are the Senior Fair Board members. They are elected annually at the fair for three year terms. Fair board membership consists of one member from each township and twelve directors-at-large.

Candidates for Senior Fair Board must complete a petition with signatures from Agricultural Society members. Members of the Agricultural Society are Huron county residents, 18 years and over, who have purchased a membership pass. Junior Fair advisor/superintendent passes do not qualify a member to run for fair board, to sign petitions, or to vote. Membership tickets may be purchased through August 12, 2024.

Petitions are available from the fair office and must be completed and returned by close of office seven days prior to the election. Call the fair office at 419/668-0516 for more information or to obtain a petition. The office is open from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. weekdays, starting July 15.

The annual election of the Board of Directors will be held at the Secretary's Office on Saturday, August 17, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Kyle SmithFairfield Twp.
Steve ZimmermanHartland Twp.
Rachel CaudillNew Haven Twp.
Jason Eitle Richmond Twp.
Chad Welter.....Sherman Twp.
Doug King..... Wakeman Twp.
Jordon Ryerson Director-At-Large #9
Evan Clemons Director-At-Large #10
Matt Gillenwater Director-At-Large #11
Chris Morgan..... Director-At-Large #12

State Opportunities:

Teen Leadership Council



Applications and more information about becoming Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council (TLC) member for the 2024-25 program year are now available online at: go.osu.edu/TLC. Please note: applications (and other materials, including letters of recommendation and program fees) are due by Friday, August 9, 2024. <https://go.osu.edu/TLCapp>

Teen Ambassador Board



(COLUMBUS, Ohio) — The office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost is accepting applications for Yost's Teen Ambassador Board (TAB) for the 2024-25 academic year.

TAB – which is designed for high-school juniors and seniors from public, private, charter and online schools statewide, including home-schooled students – offers young people an opportunity to engage with state government officials and discuss issues affecting their lives.

“This program allows Ohio teenagers to gain firsthand experience in law and government,” Yost said. “It's a chance for our future leaders to have their voices heard and to play an active role in shaping their communities.”

Board members serve a one-year term, during which they convene twice in Columbus to collaborate and advise the Attorney General's Office on matters relevant to teens.

The ideal applicant is a motivated, enthusiastic self-starter who has an interest in law and government, seeks to develop leadership skills, and wants to make a difference.

Board members participate in small group projects, attend presentations, meet with Attorney General Yost, and interact with assistant attorneys general and elected officials.

The submission deadline for applications – an application can be found here – is Sept. 15, 2024. For more information about the program, visit www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/TeenAmbassadorBoard

Research Participants Wanted!

The Ohio State University's College of Public Health is looking for teens and young adults to participate in an online focus group. Participants will explore their thoughts, attitudes, and behaviors related to health with their peers and complete a short survey about themselves. They will also receive \$50 for taking part in a focus group. Complete the [screener survey](#) for additional information.

The 4-H Urban Immersion Project (UIP)

The Urban Immersion Project is a 4-H initiative that combines cross-cultural learning, teamwork, and service-learning in the urban environment of Washington, DC.

Teens ages 15-18 are eligible for this 4-day service-learning experience that will build skills and abilities to prepare youth for success in a diverse workplace and build a cultural understanding of those who are different.

This experience will not be about shopping or sightseeing, although we will visit some monuments and historic sites. The cost of the experience is \$200. Limited scholarship funds are also available. The 4-H Educator will contact all teen applicants to complete an additional phone interview before selection.

Application:

<https://warren.osu.edu/sites/warren/files/imce/2024%20Urban%20Immersion%20Application%20-%20Washington%20D.pdf>

Did you recently complete or help a member complete a 4-H project?



4-H Project Central is a great resource for 4-H members and project helpers to review and preview Ohio 4-H project books. Visit ohio4h.org/projectcentral to submit your project book review and share your thoughts with everyone. Leaving a review is a terrific way to help other members choose a future project!

2024 4th H Club Challenge is live:



The 4th H Club Challenge encourages Ohio 4-H Clubs to learn, Practice, and advocate for healthy choices and behaviors at 4-H meetings. Practicing healthy habits and choices now has lifelong effects on the health of youth. Each club that completes the challenge before the deadline will enter into the \$100 voucher drawing for their region to use for their club. For additional information,

visit <https://go.osu.edu/4thHClubChallenge>

Northern Ohio Fall Family Camp

A 3-day, 2-night weekend event for military-connected families. Each family will have their own cabin and can participate in scheduled activities and events together through the weekend. It is located on Kellyes Island from Friday, September 13 to Sunday, September 15. Deadline to register is 11:59 pm on Sunday, July 14, 2024.

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1FyxvoQ6yGcNZVI

Ohio 4-H Launches CareerNext Online Course

Ohio 4-H proudly announces the debut of CareerNext: Are You Ready?, an innovative online course designed to equip young individuals with the skills and confidence needed to excel in the dynamic landscape of tomorrow's workforce.

As the career landscape evolves rapidly, Ohio 4-H recognizes the importance of preparing youth for forthcoming challenges and opportunities. CareerNext stands as a comprehensive program integrating practical knowledge, interactive modules, and real-world scenarios to empower participants to explore various career paths, hone critical skills, and make informed decisions about their future.

Key features of the online course include interactive learning modules covering resume building, interview techniques, post-secondary education, and financial literacy. Participants also benefit from expert guidance, flexible learning options, hands-on activities, and resources for career exploration.

For more information about CareerNext: Are You Ready?, visit <http://go.osu.edu/careernext>.

BuckeyeNext!



Introducing BuckeyeNext, powered by Suitable – Revolutionizing Youth Development in Ohio's 4-H Program!

BuckeyeNext is on a mission to empower students by creating a groundbreaking stackable-credential framework. Through immersive experiential learning opportunities, students can earn industry-accepted credentials and cultivate expertise in occupational competencies. BuckeyeNext is not just an app; it's the ultimate hub for 4-H youth to track their involvement and proudly showcase their development journey!

Open to middle- and high school-aged 4-H youth across Ohio!

1. Register your email:
go.osu.edu/buckeyenextoptin
2. Download the suitable app: app.suitable.co
3. Log-in using email
4. View your dashboard, upcoming, and completed activities & achievements

Livestock Evaluation Webinar's

The Animal Science Design Team Livestock Evaluation webinar series are continuing, and our seventh and eighth sessions is on **Oral Reasons!** These series are being recorded so that if someone is not able to attend, they can review it later.

DATE: Monthly TBD

TIME: 7:00–8:00 p.m.

LOCATION: ZOOM - go.osu.edu/livestockevaluation

January 24 – Let's Start a Team

February 19 – Beef 101

March 18 – Swine 101

April 15 – Sheep 101

May 20 – Goats 101

June 17 – EPDs & Scenarios

July 8 – Reasons, Part 1

July 10 – Reasons, Part 2

All Recordings can be found along with other additional resources: <https://ohio4h.org/node/3429>



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