

Ashtabula County 4-H

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Please forward this newsletter to anyone that may be interested.



Special thanks to the Ashtabula County Commissioners for proclaiming March 5-11, 2023 Ashtabula County 4-H Week!

The Commissioners recognized 4-H week with a special Proclamation on March 7. Youth and their projects visited the Commissioners Office to talk more about their 4-H experience and share what 4-H means to them.

Throughout the week, club displays were showcased across the county at schools, libraries and offices celebrating 4-H and a special reading program was held at Jefferson Elementary for the third-grade classes. At the start of the week, we celebrated Bernie Kranauer's 40 years of service and at the conclusion of the week, volunteers and teens attended the Ohio 4-H Conference with 4-H Staff in Columbus where they attended a variety of educational topic sessions.

We are excited to kick off the new 4-H year with 127 Volunteers, 502 Youth, and 110 Cloverbuds!

Jenna C Hoyt, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development



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Upcoming 4-H Events & Activities

Visit go.osu.edu/ashco4-hinfo

Important Dates & Deadlines:

April 1 : [4-H Foundation & Bloom Family Scholarships Due](#)

April 1: [Eggtacular Easter Event](#) 10 a.m. – Noon @ Camp Whitewood

April 14: [Camp Counselor Chili Cook-Off](#) 6:00-8:00 p.m. @ Atech

April 15: Raising a 4-H Poultry Project 10:30 a.m. @ Foundation Office

April 16: [Rabbit Fun Show](#) 2:00 p.m. @ Fairgrounds – Small Animal Bldg.

April 22: County 4-H Conference & Quality Assurance 9:00 a.m. @ Jefferson United Methodist Church

April 29: Ready, Set, Goat (Project Overview) 10:00 a.m. @ OSUE

[May 1: Market Chicken & Duck Orders Due](#)

May 1: [Campership Requests Due](#)

May 1: Dog Project Registration Paperwork & Horse EquiSTEP Training Due

May 6 : Market Animal Tagging

Hogs 8-11 a.m. Feeders, Lambs, & Goats 9:00 a.m. – Noon

[Tag requests due by NOON 5/1](#)

May 6: Multi-County Archery Tournament & Open House @ Camp Whitewood

May 6: 4-H Poultry Project Skillathon Practice 10 a.m. @ Foundation Office

May 11: 4-H Dog Project Clinics Begin 6:30-8 p.m. @ Fairgrounds

May 12 : Ag Day – [register to volunteer!](#)

May 17: Quality Assurance 7:00 p.m. @ Fairgrounds

May 20: QA Amazing Race 10 a.m.-2 p.m. & Open House @ Camp Whitewood

June 1: All Quality Assurance Complete & Horse ID and Registrations Due

June 8: Pledge, Creed & Demonstration Contest 6 p.m. @ OSUE

June 10 : PAS State Fair Try-Outs @ Fairgrounds

June 10 : 4-H Foundation Golf Outing

Ashtabula Co. 4-H Camp June 18-24 @ Camp Whitewood www.4hcampwhitewood.com

June 23 : 4-H Cloverbud Camp at 4-H Camp Whitewood [Register here.](#)

June 24 : Animal Clinics @ Fairgrounds

9:00 a.m. Rabbits/Cavies, 10:00 a.m. Goats; Noon Poultry

Market Rabbit Tagging 9 a.m. – Noon **see rabbit guidelines for details.

Pullorum Testing 10 a.m.-Noon **see poultry guidelines for details.

June 29 : 4-H Volunteer Update 7:00 p.m. @ Fairgrounds Expo Building

Dates, times and locations subject to change. Stay up to date with County and State 4-H events and programs by visiting the 4-H Calendar online. Events and programs along with details and other supporting materials will be posted often. Forms and information may be found online at www.ashtabula.osu.edu

[Click here and bookmark the page!](#)

Cloverbud Adventure Day:

July 19, 2023 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

[Register here.](#)

Ashtabula County Fair:

August 8-13, 2023

Super Saturday::

General, Sewing & Nutrition Project Evaluation,
Style Revue & Animal Skillathons

July 15, 2023

4-H Project Resources

Not sure where to start with your project??

[Click here](#) to view important deadlines, reminders, 4-H Project Guidelines & Expectations.
[Check out this video to learn more about the 4-H Program!](#)

So you have chosen to take a General Project.... Now what?

All General/Miscellaneous, Sewing and Nutrition Projects will be evaluated on Saturday, July 15 at the Fairgrounds. Project may be picked up prior to the Style Revue the same evening.

Resources for 4-H Youth & Families:

Find forms, newsletters, project and fair information, and so much more from your phone, tablet or computer by visiting our website at www.ashtabula.osu.edu. All reminders and announcements will be shared via 4-Honline. If you are not receiving emails please email Jenna at hoyt.88@osu.edu



Ohio 4-H	https://ohio4h.org/
Ohio 4-H Horse Program	https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/horse
Officer Resources	https://ohio4h.org/officerresources
Cloverbud Resources	https://ohio4h.org/cloverbudresources
Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences	https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/
Ohio 4-H Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/ohio4h/
Ashtabula Co. 4-H Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/AshtabulaCounty4H/

Project Books & Resources: Club members are encouraged to order Project Books in a group order by emailing the [Advisor Order](#) form to howard.577@osu.edu.

SPECIAL NEEDS ACCOMMODATIONS

- Accommodations can be made for any youth with disabilities through a [Winning 4-H Plan](#). This form must be completed by the member's parent/guardian and submitted to the county 4-H professional. The 4-H professional will work with the parent/guardian to discuss the request in more detail and make accommodations.
- To make an accommodation request, complete the Winning 4-H Plan Request Form and send it to hoyt.88@osu.edu.
- Accommodations must be made and approved at least 30 days in advance of the event or program.

8th Annual Chili Cook Off & Family Fun Night

Sponsored by Ashtabula County 4-H Camp Counselors

Friday, April 14, 2023

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Ashtabula County A-Tech Cafeteria B Building
1565 St Rt. 167 Jefferson, Ohio

**SOUP
too!**

New category
added for
2023!



Tickets \$6

2 tickets for \$10 (Pre-sale Only)

Children 3 and under Free

Tickets are available through any 4-H Camp Counselor or at
the O.S.U. Extension Office

Cornbread, dessert and beverage included.

Lots to see and do!

Basket Palooza

Many different Chili recipes to try.

Vote for your favorite!



All proceeds benefit the Ashtabula County 4-H Camp Counselors program.

For more information contact the O.S.U. Extension Office,
Abbey Averill 440-576-9008 or averill.10@osu.edu.



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2023 Ashtabula County 4-H Conference

Saturday, April 22 9:00 a.m.

Jefferson United Methodist Church - Wesley Hall

125 E Jefferson St. Jefferson, Ohio 44047

Entrance and parking at the rear of the building.

Join other 4-H Volunteers and youth at this social and educational event.

Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. Refreshments will be available.

Welcome begins at 9:00 a.m. with sessions immediately following.

9:10 — 10:00 a.m. Session #1 Select ONE option from each of the sessions to attend.

Building Positive Relationships—Jessecia House, 4-H Extension Educator - Do you consider yourself a trusted adult? Learn ways to strengthen the relationships between you and your 4-H families. *For adults.*

Cloverbud Fun – Camp Counselors & Jr. Fair Board Members – Come explore the wonderful world of Cloverbuds with hands-on activities for youth ages 5-8 guided by our teen leaders. This session is intended for Cloverbuds but parents and advisors are welcome to join in the fun. *For adults and youth.*

Help! I'm taking a General, Sewing or Nutrition Project, Now What? –Ann Marie Darby & Stephanie Marous, 4-H Volunteers. – Learn more about the expectations and resources for successfully completing your project. *For adults and youth.*

Handling Difficult Conversations – Ashley Hughey, 4-H Extension Educator - This session discusses the different types of conflict and provides ways to successfully manage conflict and effective methods to deal with difficult situations. *For adults.*

Making Your 4-H Financials more Manageable – Jenna Hoyt, 4-H Extension Educator – Learn tips and tricks to manage your 4-H Club finances in an easy way. *For adults.*

9:10-11:00 a.m. Assuring Quality Care for Animals **double session – Alisha Faudie, 4-H Extension Educator & Abbey Averill, 4-H Program Assistant**

This program teaches 4-H youth how to use best practices that support the production of quality and safe animal products for consumers, as well as responsible animal handling, care and welfare and is required for all youth intending to take a market or dairy animal to fair or carcass. *For youth.*

10:10 —11:00 a.m. Session #2 Select ONE option from each of the sessions to attend.

FUNDamental Meetings - Jessecia House, 4-H Extension Educator - Explore the importance of assessing and evaluating how well your club is doing in terms of offering positive youth development programming for youth that you are serving. Discover new ways of making first generation and long time 4-H families feel welcome at club meetings and 4-H events, while assessing the needs of all youth. *For adults.*

Help! I'm taking a Livestock Project, Now What? – Kelly & Bart Kanicki, 4-H Volunteers & Market Animal Committee members – Learn more about the expectations and resources for successfully completing your project. *For adults and youth.*

Team Building & Ice Breakers - Ashley Hughey, 4-H Extension Educator - Want to energize your 4-H club members with new and fun ice breakers and team building challenges? Join us for a session of fun and games while we learn some new games to take back and use in our clubs! *For adults and youth.*

Expand Your Horizons with 4-H - Ashlee Meardith, 4-H Extension Educator -Are you aware of the opportunities 4-H offers at the local, state and national levels? Join this session to learn more on how teens can be involved, gain leadership skills, engage with members in their clubs & make the most out of their 4-H experience! *For adults and youth.*

Register for this learning event by [clicking here](#) by **April 19 by 4:30 p.m.**

For more information call: 440-576-9008 or E-mail: howard.577@osu.edu



4-H Animal Project Reminders

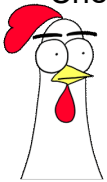
Quality Assurance Programs

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code, Section 901-19-36 of Ohio's Livestock Tampering and Exhibition Rules, all junior fair exhibitors enrolled in a food animal project (**steer, feeder, market rabbit, market poultry, egg production, lamb, market or dairy goat, cheese, dairy cow**) are required to complete mandatory quality assurance training in order to participate with their food animal project at the county's junior fair. This program teaches youth how to use best practices that support the production of quality and safe animal products.

Quality Assurance will be held in May at the Fairgrounds. This training must be complete by June 1 for all youth with a Market or Lactating Dairy Animal entering the food chain. Those who have passed their 12th birthday by January 1, may test out of the annual requirement for up to 3 years. Those who have passed their 15th birthday by January 1, may test out of QA for the remaining years of participation.

[Click here](#) for more information about testing out, online opportunities and in-person sessions.

Check out the [2023 Project Guidelines](#) for more information about project expectations and guidelines for obtaining your project animal.



Ohio 4-H EQUISTEP Horse Safety & Ethics Training

All horse members must complete the Ohio 4-H EQUISTEP Horse Safety & Ethics Training annually by *May 1*.

Completion of this program is required for all equine youth before participating in 4-H Horse Activities (i.e. – riding/driving/roping).

2023 Topics: Helmet Safety, Equine Behavior, Assessing Horse Health and Winning & Losing (Sportsmanship)

Self-enroll via ScarletCANVAS by [clicking here](#). All participants must have a unique email address to enroll. Be sure to complete the survey at the conclusion of the course to ensure a copy of the completion certificate is sent to the County 4-H Office.

If you have questions about meeting the requirement of this course, please email hozt.88@osu.edu. If you have specific content questions about the course, contact Kimberly Cole at cole.436@osu.edu. For technical assistance with the ScarletCanvas platform, including logging in and password concerns, please contact CFAES Online Outreach team at faes-onlineoutreach@osu.edu.



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2023 Ashtabula County 4-H Pledge, Creed & Demonstration Contest

Date: Thursday, June 8 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: OSU Extension 39 Wall St. Jefferson, OH 44047

Return this form by 4:30 p.m. June 5 to Ashtabula County OSU Extension

Youth Name: _____ 4-H Club: _____

4-H Age: _____ * as of January 1 of current year

Do you require computer equipment? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Please check the Contest(s) you will be participating in.

4-H Pledge or Creed Contest

- ☐ 4-H Cloverbud Pledge..... (age 5 and in Grades K-2)- will receive a ribbon for properly reciting the 4-H Pledge with hand motions.
- ☐ Junior 4-H Pledge..... (age 8-13)– recite the 4-H Pledge with hand motions.
- ☐ Junior 4-H Creed..... (age 8-13)– recite the 4-H Creed
- ☐ Senior 4-H Creed (age 14 and up)– recite the 4-H Creed

The 4-H Pledge states how 4-H goes about helping youth develop and grow in positive ways. As the pledge is recited, hand motions add extra emphasis to the head, heart and hands, as seen here

<https://ohio4h.org/families/members/fundamentals>

Presentation Classes

Topics must be 4-H appropriate and convey information and teach on a particular topic and use appropriate props, posters, and/or computer-generated visual aids (e.g., PowerPoint, Prezi, short video, etc.) to teach others about a particular topic, practice, procedure, scientific principle, or phenomenon.

Illustrated Talk or Demonstration – *without* use of computer technology (5-8 minutes in length, may use props or visual aids)

- ☐ Junior Individual (age 8 -10)
- ☐ Junior Team (age 8 -10) Team Member: _____

Illustrated Talk or Demonstration – *with* or *without* the use of computer technology (5-8 minutes in length, may use props or visual aids)

- ☐ Intermediate Individual (age 11-13)
- ☐ Intermediate Team (age 11-13) Team Member: _____

Illustrated Talk or Demonstration – *with* or *without* the use of computer technology (5-8 minutes in length, may use props or visual aids)

- ☐ Senior Individual (age 14 and up)
- ☐ Senior Team (age 14 and up) Team Member: _____

Marketing Division – all designs must be the original work of the youth member and include proper use of the 4-H Clover.

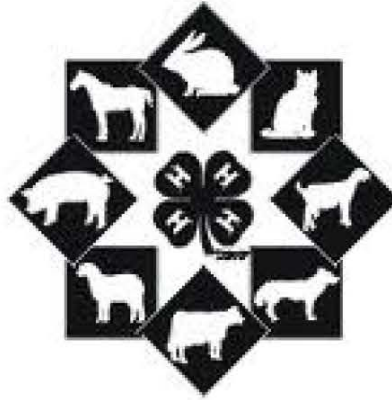
- ☐ Junior Individual (age 8-10) – Thank You Card *without* use of computer graphics
- ☐ Junior Individual (age 8-10) – Thank You Card *with* the use of computer graphics
- ☐ Intermediate Individual (11-13) – Holiday Card *without* use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools
- ☐ Intermediate Individual (11 -13) – Holiday Card *with* the use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools
- ☐ Senior Individual (age 14 and up) – 4-H Infomercial Promoting 4-H – 2-4 minutes in length

ASHTABULA COUNTY follows the same GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES as the Ohio State Fair
Communications Contest posted at <https://ohio4h.org/nonlivestockguidebook>.

If you find you cannot attend after you've registered, please email hoyt.88@osu.edu as soon as possible so we can adjust our program accordingly.



Ashtabula County 4-H Animal Clinics



Saturday, June 24, 2023

Rabbits & Cavies: 9:00 a.m. - Small Animal Building

Market & Dairy/Pack Goats: 10:00 a.m. – Open Class Barn

Poultry: 12:00 p.m./Noon - Small Animal Building

Rabbit Tattooing will take place from 9:00 a.m. – Noon in the Small Animal Building.

Poultry Pullorum Testing will take place 10:00 a.m. – Noon.

Bring your animal in an appropriate carrier, with water and a chair.
Restrooms will be open.

4-H youth are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to bring their project animals to their clinic. Topics of discussion will be showmanship and/or show preparation.

All members, families and volunteers are encouraged to attend.



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4-H**Cloverbud Camp**

Friday, June 23, 2023
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Check-In begins on the Rec. Pad at 9:45 a.m. Pick-Up is promptly at 2:00 p.m.

\$25 per Ashtabula Co. Youth ages 5 – 8 as of January 1

Come EXPLORE the great outdoors and spend the day at 4-H Camp Whitewood. Activities include swimming, hiking, and crafts. Grab your friends, swim gear, water bottle and hiking shoes and join us for a day of FUN and ADVENTURE! Participants will enjoy lunch with campers. The number of participants is limited so sign up now! Pre-registration is necessary to insure adequate supplies and supervision.

**4-H Camp Whitewood****7983 S. Wiswell Rd.****Windsor, OH 44099****ashtabula.osu.edu**

Registration is limited. Please mail this completed form and the attached health form along with payment made out to OSU Extension by June 15 to: 4-H Cloverbud Camp c/o OSUE – Ashtabula Co. 39 Wall Street, Jefferson, OH 44047. For more information, contact the Extension Office at 440-576-9008. Visit www.4hcampwhitewood.com

Camper Name: _____ Age (as of January 1) _____ Grade (as of January 1) _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ 4-H Club: _____

List Any Allergies: _____

List Any Siblings Attending Camp during this time: _____

I give permission for my child to attend 4-H Cloverbud Camp at Camp Whitewood and participate in all programs and activities.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



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4-H Cloverbud

Adventure Day

July 19, 2023

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

\$25.00

Open to all youth ages 5 – 8 as of January 1

Adventures in Nature & Science, Crafts and Animal Encounter, and more!

The number of participants is limited to 40 so sign up now! Pre-registration is necessary to insure adequate supplies and supervision for your children. Participants are asked to bring their own lunch and water bottle. Refrigeration available. Snack will be provided.



**4-H Expo Building – Ashtabula
County Fairgrounds
127 N. Elm Street Jefferson OH
asthabula.osu.edu**

Registration is limited. Please mail this completed form and the attached health form along with payment made out to OSU Extension by July 1 to: **4-H Cloverbud Adventure Day c/o OSUE – Ashtabula Co. 39 Wall Street, Jefferson, OH 44047.** For more information, contact the Extension Office at 440-576-9008.

Camper Name: _____ Age (as of January 1) _____ Grade (as of January 1) _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I give permission for my child to attend 4-H Cloverbud Adventure Day and participate in all programs and activities.

Photo/Video Release Many times pictures of 4-H Cloverbuds are used for news releases and other PR purposes therefore we ask your permission to use pictures that may include your child. Photo/Video Release – ☐ I give/ ☐ do not give permission to The Ohio State University, OSU Extension, and The Ohio 4-H Program to use photographs, voice video images of the participant below and photographs, voice and video images of any activities in which the participant is involved in, any and all public awareness programs of The Ohio State University, OSU Extension, and The Ohio 4-H Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



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