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Notes from the Office

Dear 4-H Family:

Welcome to our new 4-H families! Welcome back to our families who are continuing with us! The 4-H Gazette will help to keep you informed of upcoming events and activities. Be sure to read this and every issue of the Gazette carefully for important news about the 4H program.

Orientation Booklet

Each new 4-H member will receive an orientation booklet. Please let us know if you have not received one by June 1st.

Pre-fair Judging Dates:

Tuesday, July 17 - Foods and Small Animals Judging.

Thursday, July 19 - Livestock Interviews and Clothing Judging.

Friday, July 20 - 4-H Special Interest Judging.

4-H Age Reminder

A reminder that most events and opportunities available through 4-H are based on "4-H age". 4-H age is the age that the member was on January 1, 2018. Please check this when applying for or participating in 4-H activities. One notable exception - *Junior Fair Board* nominees must be 15 as of *August 1* of the current year.

Project Change/Add/Drop

Enrolled members have until May 15th to add, change or drop projects - adjustments can be made without penalty. You can log into 4-H Online and make the changes yourself. Projects dropped after that date will be considered incomplete and will result in an incomplete for the entire 4-H year.

Project Book Availability

We do not maintain an inventory of project books at the office. All books are ordered as needed. Orders have about a 3 week turnaround. Please plan accordingly for project judging. Please do not expect to purchase books the week before judging!

Project Completion Policy

A member must complete all projects to receive credit for the year. Therefore, if a member is given an incomplete for even one project, they do not receive credit for this 4-H year. If a member belongs to two clubs and does not complete in one club, they are incomplete for the year. Completion occurs when an advisor's grade is assigned. Participation in judging or the fair is not required for completion. Advisors will assign a grade for effort based on project work, club participation and any requirements within the club. By July 1, every member will receive an A,B,C or incomplete for every project taken.



Campers' Corner

4-H Camp Registration

4-H Camp will be held June 19-23 at Camp Palmer. Cost is \$185.00 per person. Youth, ages 8 (in the third grade) to 15, are eligible to attend. Registration materials are enclosed, complete the registration form and health form. - One camper per form please, contact the office or go to the website for additional forms.

You will also find information about the high ropes course and shooting sports session. The cost for these activities is \$25.00 over the camp fee.

Registration is due by June 10, **no registrations will be accepted after Monday, June 11 at noon.** This year's theme is "Come One Come All to the Greatest 4-H Camp on Earth". We **CAN-NOT** accept registrations by fax or email, payment must accompany registration.

A note on cabin mates: We cannot guarantee camper cabin mate requests after June 10. Cabins are assigned by age, so please request a cabin mate that is close in age. We will not assign a 9 year old and a 13 year old to the same cabin.

Ohio 4-H Sea Camp

4-H Sea Camp will be held July 7-11 at Kelleys Island 4-H Camp on Lake Erie. The camp is open to 4-Her's, ages 13-17, who have an interest in the Great Lakes. Activities include fishing, weather, geology, and marine biology. Applications are available at the office. Scholarships are available, contact our office for details.

Upcoming Events

4-H Day at Cedar Point

4-H Days at Cedar Point will be Friday, June 29 and Saturday, July 21. Discount tickets are available at the 4-H window from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The tickets should be purchased by a representative of the club, proof of 4-H involvement is required.



Teen Opportunities

Schaub Scholarships

The Niki Schaub 4-H Scholarship Fund will award college scholarships to current or former Auglaize Co. 4-H members. Applications and guidelines are available from the office. Deadline is June 1.

Junior Fair Boosters Scholarship

The Auglaize Co. Junior Fair Boosters will be awarding scholarships. Applicants must be members of a Jr. Fair organization. Applications are available from the Extension Office. Deadline to apply is June 1.

Auglaize Co. Equine Department Scholarship

Current and former (up to age 21) 4-H and FFA members who enrolled in horse projects for a minimum of 5 years are eligible. Two \$200 scholarships will be awarded. Deadline to apply is June 1. Contact the office for applications and eligibility details.

Auglaize Co. Cattleman's Scholarship

The Auglaize Co. Cattlemen are awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior. Requirements and application for the scholarship are available from the office. Deadline to apply is June 1.

Contact the office for these scholarship forms or they can be found on our website.

Are you a 4-H Grown Alum?

Raise your hand to pay it forward at : www.4-H.org/RaiseYourHand



Raise Your Hand doesn't cost a thing and **the State with the most Alumni this spring will get \$20,000 to use towards 4-H programming.**

Ohio is in the lead—help us win!

Special Note

Reusing Project Books

Many families ask about reusing project books. Many projects are designed to be multi year projects. Here are guidelines if you do not purchase a new book every year:

1. Records must be current, old project records pulled out and dusted off are not acceptable.
2. All records, required to be completed in the book, must be completed every year. If you cannot place the information in the book, it must be inserted using other paper.
3. Member must show how they have expanded their knowledge from year to year. You must find a way to designate this fact in your books - by entering a date, using a different color ink, etc.
4. Member should be prepared to show their judge how they have expanded this project and explain their current records.
5. Remember, sloppy project books, recycled answers and old records could be counted against you when your project is evaluated! Economizing on your book purchase is not an excuse for poor record keeping or failing to expand your project knowledge!!



Fair Updates



See the enclosed junior fair schedule.

Quality Assurance Programs

There is a QA Workshop on **Wednesday, May 30**, 7:00 p.m. at the Junior Fair Building. ***PLEASE ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 6:45 for registration and you must be in the building when the program starts. Late arrivals may not be certified as complete. You are required to stay until the program is complete.*** If you and/or your parent have not attended a quality assurance program, this session is your last chance. First year QA members, ages 8-11, must have a parent attend. Members not attending QA will not be allowed to make entry into the fair. There will be a testing session on **Thursday, May 17**, 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds for members 12 and over (as of January 1) who would like to test out of attending the QA sessions.

Dog Show

There will not be a dog show held during the fair in 2018 due to a lack of members enrolled in dog projects. Members taking obedience and showmanship will receive a project grade for completion. This does not apply to members taking You and Your Dog and All About Dogs - these are part of the small animal show. Information will be shared for members wishing to participate in the Ohio State Fair.

Fair Entry Online

All livestock entries will be submitted through fair entry online. An information packet regarding how to complete entries will be released soon. Each family will submit through own entries through their 4-H Online profile. There will be links to videos and help sheets provided as well. All entries are due by July 1.

Drug Use Notification Forms

Each market lamb, hog, steer, broilers, turkey, lactating goat and dairy cow will need to have a Drug Use Notification Form filled out and turned in at weigh-ins. Dairy cattle and goats will be collected during the fair. **These forms will be distributed by your advisors this summer. Please remember to bring them with you to the fair. Last year we handed out over 1,300 forms but only had 800 projects requiring a DUNF. We do not have unlimited supplies.** This form certifies that your animal is free of any drug residues at the time of weigh-in, show and sale. *If you are feeding a medicated feed - check the withdrawal time! When in doubt - fill it out!!! It is better to report unnecessary information than fail to report something important.*

State Fair Entries Due

Livestock entries for the Ohio State Fair are due June 20. All entries must be postmarked by that date. All entries through 4-H must be signed by an Extension Educator (FFA by your ag teacher). Information can be found at ohiostatefair.com. I will be at camp from June 19-23 so please plan accordingly for signatures.



County Livestock Entries Due

All livestock projects, including horses, must complete the appropriate entry form by **July 1**.

A reminder regarding ownership

All junior fair animals must be owned by the member or their immediate family. Leasing is acceptable only in the dairy and horse departments. Borrowing animals is a violation of junior fair rules and could lead to disqualification. You must be able to show proof of ownership through registration and/or a bill of sale if requested by the Junior Fair Board. The Junior Fair Board reserves the right to request this information at any time during the project year.

2019 Junior Fair Board

Members, interested in being elected to the Junior Fair Board, are reminded that nominations for the ballots are due by July 1. Members interested in being appointed to the Junior Fair Board for 2019 need to submit a vacancy appointment application. These applications are due to the Junior Fair Office by 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 4. Forms can be picked up at the Junior Fair Board Office during fair.

The next issue of the 4-H Gazette will be mailed in July. It will contain important judging and fair information. Until then -

Sincerely,

Beth Miller

Elizabeth M. Miller

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County Extension Director

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Calendar of Events

- held at the Extension Office unless otherwise noted

MAY

- 15 - Last date to add/drop/change projects
- 17 - Quality Assurance Testing - 7:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
- 23 - Sale Committee - 7:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
- 28 - Office Closed - Memorial Day
- 30 - Quality Assurance -7:00 p.m.- Jr. Fair Building
- 31 - Camp Counselor Training -7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

JUNE

- 1 - Schaub & Junior Fair Boosters & Horse Dept. & Cattlemen's Scholarships Due
- 9 - State Fair PAS Qualifying Show - 9:00 a.m. - Fairgrounds
- 10 - Camp Registration Due
- 11 - CARTEENS - 7:00 p.m. - Church of the Nazarene, St. Marys
- 12 - Camp Counselor Training -10:00 a.m.
- 14 - Cloverbud Day Camp
- 19 - 23 - 4-H Camp at Camp Palmer
- 20 - Market Rabbit Possession Date
- 30 - Market Broiler Possession Date

JULY

- 1 - Jr. Fair Entries, Advisor grades, nomination forms due
- 4 - Office Closed
- 5 - Junior Fair Entry Day - 9:00 a.m. - Fairgrounds
- 5 - Junior Fair Board - 7:30 p.m. - Fairgrounds

