NOTE FROM THE 4-H EDUCATOR...

The days are getting longer and brighter, we are being teased with weather that allows us to open the windows just a little, and social media posts are full of kids starting to go outside to play and explore. Spring is almost here! I am excited to be moving forward with a new 4-H year. Enrollment has closed for traditional clubs and I have started to witness the great works of our clubs. I have been impressed by the commitment our county has shown towards giving back to others through community service efforts even through the restrictions of the pandemic. I am anxious to see how this continues as well as watching our clubs grow in leadership. This year will be unique as I feel it will be a hybrid of programming. We are still under some restrictions yet know that we have the ability to meet in person. I challenge our members, families, and volunteers to explore what your “SPARKS” are. 4-H is a great place to explore, learn and grow from our unique sparks and interests. We have something for everyone. The Extension Office is here to help with club planning and programming, project selection and questions, and as a county support. Reach out by calling 330-491-7291 or emailing Dimmerling.13@osu.edu.

Lots of things are happening in 4-H !!!

NEW THIS YEAR...4-H Gavel Games!!!
All youth elected as 4-H Club President, Secretary, and Treasurer check your family email and complete the steps to be in the running for top Officer Awards.

It’s Never to Early to Plan for Project Fair!!!
Registration is now OPEN!!!!
https://columbiana.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/non-livestock-state-fair-schedule
More information can be found by visiting columbiana.osu.edu

Join Jr Leaders Today!!!
Jr Leaders meets on the 4th Monday of each month. Join and build your leadership skills and work with other teens to give back to

4-H Livestock / Non Livestock Project Completion Opportunity is BACK!!!!!
Stay tuned for more details coming soon! Submissions will be due July 12th,
**ADVISORS CORNER**

**4-H Advisor Roundtable**

“Helping Build Strong Youth Officers”

March 30th at 6:30pm

Club officers are essential. Join in the conversation on how to strengthen youth skills, know when it’s ok to help lead a meeting, and discuss what is the role of the advisor. We will also discuss any questions about the new Gavel Games.

**STAY CONNECTED**

Ohio 4-H Planning Guide for In-person Meetings & Events

Restrictions/guidelines updated often, visit Ohio4h.org

The Ohio 4-H Grab and Go Club Meeting Toolkit provides 4-H volunteers and teen leaders with (7) club meeting agendas to help with planning the 4-H year. Agendas include in person and virtual meeting tips as well as ways to include Cloverbuds!

**QUALITY ASSURANCE**

March 13th-Circle 62 4-H Club

March 25th 6pm—Virtual

March 31st 6pm—Virtual

April 10th 10am- Dairy Beef Feeder Clinic/QA

April 18th 4pm—Sticks and Stones 4-H Club

April 19th 7pm—Rough Riders 4-H Club

April 27th 7pm—Virtual

May 2nd 1pm– Hog Clinic/QA

May 13th 7pm– FINAL VIRTUAL

**4-H FAMILIES’ CORNER**

**Make this year great!!!!**

1. Get to know the 4-H program and ALL it has to offer

2. Develop successful youth by offering them a variety of opportunities to explore what they love

3. Be encouraging

4. Let them lead the way on exploring their projects

5. Ask questions—Advisors, volunteers and Extension Professionals are here to help

**FOR all your Jr Fair Updates visit…**

[https://columbianacountyjrfair.weebly.com/](https://columbianacountyjrfair.weebly.com/)

**Camp Whitewood Summer Camp**

Registration is OPEN!

Columbiana/Stark/Portage/and Mahoning Camp Week

June 27-July 2nd

Visit- 4hcampwhitewood.com
### UP Coming CALENDAR OF EVENTS: ALL Dates Pertaining to Junior Fair Exhibition (JR Fair)
can be found on the Jr Fair Website https://columbianacountyjrfair.weebly.com/

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### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS IN THESE AREAS:

If you do not have time to commit to be a 4-H Advisor of a 4-H Club, there are still opportunities for you to volunteer and be involved. We would love for you to contact us if you are interested in giving of some of your time in any of the areas listed below.

**STILL PROJECT FAIR:** Project Fair is an exhibition opportunity for 4-H youth to showcase and be judged on their Non-Livestock/Still Projects such as photography, welding, food, sewing, atv safety and much more. We are looking for individuals that are willing to help with check-in during the day event, getting youth to the correct judge, etc.

**WORKSHOPS OR SPIN CLUB:** Do you have an area of interest that you think the 4-H youth would be interested in? We are always looking for new ideas and individuals that are interested in sharing their knowledge with the youth in the 4-H program.

If you are interested in any of the areas above, please call Audrey Dimmerling at 330-870-1165 or email Audrey at Dimmerling.13@osu.edu.
Youth who are planning to Exhibit at the Columbiana County Junior Fair MUST meet the following requirements to Exhibit:

1. Be a youth in good standing in the Youth Organization they are a member. Meet all requirements to have a completed project with the Youth Organization. (4-H- Audrey Dimmerling Dimmerling.13@osu.edu, FFA – refer to FFA Advisor, Grange- refer to Advisor, Boy/Girl Scout- refer to Club Leader, etc) Each youth organization may have their own requirements.
2. Declare your Junior Fair Exhibition Project by March 1st. (4-H Members register projects in 4-H online 2.0; FFA Members register projects in 4-H online 2.0; all others need to contact the Jr Fair Directors) The OSU Extension office will run a report from 4-H online 2.0 to give to the Jr Fair Directors)
3. Attend one (1) Quality Assurance Training if required (see note by Exhibit Projects below for reference)
4. Attend one (1) Clinic offered/approved by the Junior Fair Committees
5. Register and Tag in by the date given by the Columbiana County Fair Board
6. Attend Book Grading
7. Skillathon (optional depending on Jr Fair Committee)

**BEEF/MARKET BEEF DATES** - *(QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)*

**Contact Info:** Jamie Stacy Jamie.stacy@ccctc.k12.oh.us (330)398-4077 or Niki Blazer blazer@minerva.sparcc.org (330)223-1639

**DAIRY DATES** – *(QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)*

**Contact Info:** Chair Todd Bricker (330) 692-2877 Co-Chair Paula Bardo (330)727-6320 & Fred Hippely

**DAIRY BEEF FEEDER**- *(QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)*

**Contact Info:** Bret Lowmiller 330-232-3579

**GOAT**- *(QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED EXCEPT FOR PYGMY)*

**Contact Info:** Carol Melott 330-831-6797

**HOG**- *(QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)*

**Contact Info:** Scott Judy 330-831-7090

**SADDLE HORSE** –

**Contact Info:** Amber May 330-398-5096

**POCKET PET**

**Contact Info:** Cindy Palmer 330-692-3251
RABBIT - (QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED except for Pet Rabbit)
Contact Info: Rhonda Simmons email: rjos2256@gmail.com  330-426-6870

POULTRY/WATERFOWL- (QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)
Contact Info: Rhonda Simmons email: rjos2256@gmail.com  330-426-6870

LAMB/SHEEP- (QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)
Contact Info: Pam Baer (330) 424-6385

TURKEY (QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING REQUIRED)
Contact Info: Roni Cresanto (330) 716-6392

JUNIOR FAIR BOARD
Contact Info: Junior Fair Coordinator Chelsea Stoffel
Meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fair Admin office.

JUNIOR FAIR SALES
Contact Info: Ashley Wallace
All questions regarding Junior Fair Sales need to be addressed to the Junior Fair Sales Director.

Junior Fair Sales Committee Meetings
Dates to Be Determined

Junior Fair Committee Volunteer Training Dates
DATES TO BE DETERMINED

JUNIOR FAIR COMMITTEE MEMBERS
UPDATE: At the September 2020 Senior Fair Board a motion was made by Curtis Veiock, Jr Fair Director, that each Jr Fair Committee must send a representative to the 4-H Program Advisory Committee Meetings starting January 2021. This motion was passed and approved. Therefore, starting January 2021 each committee must send a representative to the 4-H Program Advisory Committee meetings.

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UPDATE :At the September 2020 Senior Fair Board meeting, Curtis Veiock also made a motion to require that each Jr Fair Committee send a representative to the Columbiana County Senior Fair Board meetings. At the September meeting the motion was passed and approved. The meeting dates can be found on the Columbiana County Fair Board website.

At the September 2020 Senior Fair Board meeting, Curtis Veiock also recommended that anyone who wishes to be a member on a Jr Fair Committee should attend at least 2 Jr Fair Committee meetings prior to applying to the Jr Fair Committee.
COLUMBIANA COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER
LOOK INSIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR LOCAL 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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Angie Keshock (Office Associate) Keshock.3@osu.edu 330-870-1187

LIMITED Office Hours
Monday 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday CLOSED
Wednesday CLOSED
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Friday CLOSED
MAKE AN APPOINTMENT BEFORE ARRIVING

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