

4-H Newsletter 6/21/2024

The Ashland County Extension Office is located at 110 Cottage Street, First Floor. This is the same building as the Ashland County Commissioners and Board of Elections.

Our normal business hours are:

Mondays 8:30-4pm

Tuesdays 8:30-4pm

Fridays 8:30-3pm

4-H Newsletter News Submission

If you have some news you would like included in our 4-H Newsletter, please use the link below to share that with us. We will review the information and include it in our newsletter at the time you indicate.

[Ashland County 4-H Newsletter information submission](#)

July Sheep & Swine Clinic

The last Sheep and Swine clinic will be held on Tuesday, July 9 at 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds Swine Pavilion.

Reminder: You must attend one clinic to be eligible to show your sheep or hog at the fair.

FCS/Still Project Judging

Judging for any FCS/Still project is coming soon! Judging will be held on Thursday, July 11 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM and on Thursday, July 18 from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM.

Bring your completed project book and an educational display (poster, item you made, table service for food projects, etc..)

Review the project requirements at <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-project-requirements/family-and-consumer-science-and-still>

Sign up for your time slot by clicking your preferred date below.

[July 11 sign up](#) MUST ATTEND THIS JUDGING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR STATE FAIR PARTICIPATION

[July 18 sign up](#)

Dairy Bar Sign Up

The sign up to help at the Ashland County Fair Dairy Bar is open! Please consider when your club, committee or group can help with this major 4-H fundraiser.

Large clubs: Please sign up for two shifts so we can cover all the time slots.

[Sign Up for Dairy Bar](#)

Pressure Canner Testing

As your garden is growing, now is the time to have your pressure canner tested!

Canning is a great way to extend the life of fresh garden foods, but over time, as the canner lid is handled, bumped, or just used, the calibration of a dial gauge can become inaccurate. Even gauges on new canners and replacement gauges should be tested before use.

Accurate pressure is critical to safely preserve foods. If the temperature of the food within the canner is not high enough to kill harmful bacteria and microorganisms, your food may spoil or build up harmful toxins from *Clostridium botulinum*.

The Ashland County Extension Office will be holding pressure canner testing on Friday, July 12 from 8:30 AM to 2:30 pm. Cost is \$5.00 for each canner. Please sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4DAEA62EABF49-50017449-pressure>

Baby Beef Tour

Sunday, June 23 at 2:00 PM is the Baby Beef Tour at Atterholt Farms.

Big Green Garage Sale: SIGN UP IS OPEN! We are still in need of 4-H clubs/groups to assist and 4-H Volunteers for cashiers on Saturday, June 29.

The Big Green Garage sale will be June 28-30. This is one of the largest fundraisers for our 4-H program.

Bring us your items! Donations may be dropped off at the Fairgrounds merchant building Sunday June 23 4-6pm or Monday June 24-Wednesday June 26 from 10 AM-6PM.

Clubs:

- Each club slot needs at least 3-4 youth.
- Adult cashiers should be 4-H volunteers since they will be handling money
- Please bring plastic or brown paper bags with you on during drop off days. They will be used to bag customer items on sale days.
- NO unaccompanied minors please.
- Wear closed toe shoes

Please sign your club up to help with this fundraiser!

Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4DAEA62EABF49-49855095-2024>

New ODA Rules: Revised 5/23/2024

The Ohio Department of Agriculture released its updated Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules on 5/23/24. These rules should be read by every exhibitor/ parent (guardian) showing breeding &/or market livestock at any exhibition (Junior & Open), including the Ashland County Fair.

Some rules & definitions have changed- it is your responsibility to know them! If you have questions- have them answered before exhibition!

*****revised 5/23/24*****

Exhibition of Animals <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/chapter-901:1-18#:~:text=An%20exhibitor%2C%20owner%2C%20or%20bailee,or%20infectious%20disease%20or%20residue.>

Livestock Exhibitions <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/chapter-901-19>

The 2024 Club Booth Theme is Wild, Wild West!

2024 Ashland County Jr. Fair Book is Here!

The 2024 Ashland County Jr. Fair book is here!

Please take the time to look it over and familiarize yourself with the rules and regulations you will be expected to follow.

[Ashland County Jr. Fair Book](#)

Livestock Exhibitors

Exhibitors: Please read over the project requirements and the Jr. Fair book closely. There have been several changes.

Changes include:

- Premiums will NOT be payed for market animal projects.
- Maximum weight limit for market hogs is now 300 lbs.
- Family Market Hog/Goat/Lamb: Families may tag a “family goat/sheep/hog(s)” for the number of exhibitors in the household. A family Hog/Goat/Lamb can be used as one of the exhibitor’s project animals should that member’s original project be unfit to show. Animals unfit to show must be verified by a licensed Veterinarian. Please refer to the project requirements of each species for more information.
- Pop up tents are only permitted on move in day, day before the show (prep day) and the day of the show. After show day, all tents must be removed.
- Scrapies tag will be the official ID for all goats and sheep. This will be the only official tag they will need. You may use registration tattoo instead of a Scrapies tag, but the tattoo must be able to be to read at fair check in and you must bring the registration papers that match the tattoo at check in.
- Any single animal must not be cross entered unless it is a multi animal project. Ex: a ewe lamb may not be entered as a ewe lamb breeding project AND a market lamb. However, a ewe lamb may be shown in the appropriate sheep breeding class and still be exhibited as a part of the flock class. The exceptions to this rule are dogs and horses who may be entered in multiple classes and pack goats who may be shown in their respective market, breeding, or pet class as well as the pack class.
- Animals MUST remain in their respective barn area. At NO TIME should animals be on the midway, in the campground, parking lot or ANYWHERE other than their immediate barn area.
- At check in, all classes become final. Animals wishing to declare Born & Raised must have appropriate fair entry and be declared for this class at check in.

- Breeding sheep will be limited to one animal per exhibitor per class.
- Animals will NOT be reweighed. The weights will be as stated for individual species and there will be no additional allowances.
- No equipment may be placed on the fair grounds until Wednesday after 5pm. NO exceptions!

State Virtual Skill-a-thons for Practice Only, It does not count towards your Ashland County Skill-a-thon requirement.



The 2024 State Virtual Skill-a-thons will open on Monday, May 27th and remain open until October 14.

Online at go.osu.edu/virtuallskillathon

There is no pre-registration for any of the 2024 Ohio State Fair Virtual Skill-a-thons.

This is intended to serve as practice for youth interested in the Ohio State Fair Skill-a-thons.

IT IS FOR PRACTICE ONLY! IT DOES NOT COUNT TOWARDS YOUR ASHLAND COUNTY SKILL-A-THON REQUIREMENT!

Livestock Project Requirements

All Animal Project requirements can be found on our website at: <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-project-requirements/livestock-project-requirements>

Sheep & Swine project requirements were updated on March 25 to include the Sheep & Swine Educational meeting dates.

- **Still/FCS Project Requirements:** <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-project-requirements/family-and-consumer-science-and-still>

2024 Ashland County 4-H Calendar:

The 2024 4-H Calendar is posted on our website at: <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/breaking-news>

4-H Newsletter

If you have a second email you would like to add to the list or need to change your email it is sent to, please use the link below:

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_39M4tSvTaliJniR

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