

4-H Newsletter 6/9/2023

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.

We are open:

Mondays 8:30-4pm

Tuesdays 8:30-4pm

Fridays 8:30-3pm

Extension Office will be Closed Monday, June 19 in Observance of the Federal Holiday

4Honline Animal Submissions

If you had an animal identification submission sent back for more information or pictures, please follow the instructions in the email you received from 4Honline and have it resubmitted by Monday, June 12.

An email was sent from 4Honline for each animal submitted, stating that the animal was either approved or sent back. Please check your email or 4Honline account to be certain all your animals were approved. An approved animal will be listed as ACTIVE in 4Honline.

4-H Club Advisors: Dairy Bar Sign Up is now OPEN!

Clubs may sign up to work their shift at the Dairy Bar. Clubs will have until July 31 to sign up.

[Sign us Up!](#)

Ashland Swine Classic Show



Come watch the Ashland Swine Classic Hog show at the Ashland County Farigrounds!
A great learning opportunity!

Fair Booth Set Up

Advisors, it is time to let us know what size booth you would like for your club at this year's Ashland County Fair. Please return the form to the Extension Office by Friday, July 14.

[Fair Booth Information](#)

[Fair Booth Set Up Form](#)

Dog Ohio State Fair Entries

If you are interested in showing your 4-H dog project at the Ohio State Fair, the entries are now open! Deadline to enter is June 21. Reminder: For Ohio State Fair, you must take the official vaccination form (filled out and signed by your vet) with you!

[Ohio Dog State Fair Classes, Dates, Info](#)

[Ohio State Fair Dog Entries](#)

[Ohio State Fair Dog AGILITY Entry](#)

Snap-Ed



It finally seems as though the warm weather is here to stay. I hope that you have had an opportunity to be outside.

This is the perfect time of year to start incorporating more physical exercise into our schedules. The weather is not too hot yet and we are still excited about getting outside after a cold and wet spring. Anything that gets us up and moving is a step in the right direction!

This is also a great time of year to start incorporating more fruits and vegetables into our diets. Maybe you have already put in a garden. What an awesome way to have access to fresh fruits and vegetables! Even if you don't have a green thumb there will soon be plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables that can be purchased at Farmer's Markets or roadside stands.

There are some wonderful summertime recipes at <https://celebrateyourplate.org/>. The recipe that I have attached is one of my favorites. It is a Cucumber Salad recipe that screams summertime. If we have a particularly hot day it can be prepared as an entrée instead of a side dish by simply adding some fresh mozzarella cheese to it. Enjoy!

<https://celebrateyourplate.org/recipes/cucumber-salad>

Have a safe and relaxing weekend!

Lori Lowman, SNAP-Ed Program Assistant

OSU Extension, Ashland County

Skill-a-thon/Project Book/Interview Judging Help

We are asking for your assistance by volunteering to help with our judging weekend. The key to not having long lines to wait in at judging is adequate help. We would greatly appreciate you volunteering your time one or both days. Please call or email the office and let us know you would be willing to help. No experience necessary!

Volunteers for our judging events do not have to be volunteers, so please think outside the box and consider asking your spouse, parent, neighbor, friends to help. The only requirement is a desire to make a positive judging experience for our youth. Additional information will be given closer to the time. The dates for the judging weekend are August 19 & 20th.

Thank you for taking the time to assist if you can! We greatly appreciate our volunteers!

Ohio State Fair Commercial Cattle Show Opportunity



2023 OHIO STATE FAIR
Commercial Cattle Show
Saturday, July 29
Deadline for entries is July 21

WHAT IS THE COMMERCIAL CATTLE SHOW?
 The Commercial Cattle Show is an exhibition in which cattle are shown in a pair of three. Cattle will be evaluated on a live and carcass basis. Cattle will be shown in three groups: Native Beef, Beef on Dairy and Dairy. They must also be genotyped.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?
 Any exhibitor who has involvement with cattle may participate. There will be a junior and an open division. Youth under the age of 21 and organized youth groups are invited to participate in the junior division. All junior cattle will also be eligible to participate in the open division.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?
 Entries will open on May 16. You can enter online at www.ohiostatefair.com (May 16 - June 21 at 1 p.m.) or email Barb Price at barbprice@ohiostatefair.com (June 21 - 11:59 p.m. July 21). Specific entry and show information available at www.ohiostatefair.com. Note: Commercial cattle do not need to be BVD tested.

IMPORTANT CHANGES

- Additional divisions
- Beef on Dairy
- Dairy
- Shorter duration
- Cattle can arrive on Thursday July 27.
- All cattle must be in place by Friday morning July 28. Cattle will weigh Saturday morning and show Sunday afternoon.
- Options for lift collection points to transport cattle to the Ohio State Fair.
- Possible collection points include Eaton and Bucyrus. Additional sponsorship for 2023 and increased premiums.

For more information and a complete schedule of events visit www.ohiostatefair.com

Sponsored by:   

For more information, contact Sam Roberts at 937.477.0060

Cake Decorating Project

For anyone taking a cake decorating project, the Ashland County Library has a wide selection of cake pans available for check out. There are basic shapes and many different character pans all free with your library card!

4-H Project Day Workshop



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

4-H PROJECT DAY
Heart of the Great Outdoors

PROJECT WORKSHOPS

- Geology: Can You Dig It?
- Why Trees Matter
- Beginning Fishing
- Ohio Birds
- Insect Adventures
- Explore the Outdoors
- Photography Basics
- Get Started in Art

ALUM CREEK State Park
 6800 E. COUNTY 76A
 Columbus, OH

WHAT TO BRING

- Your 4-H project book(s)
- Picnic
- Closed-toe shoes or boots
- Insect repellent
- Water bottle
- Pocket knife

Success participating in the 4-H Project Day is yours when you bring your 4-H project book(s) to the event.

QUESTIONS?
 Contact Jordan Cooney, DNR
jcooney@dnr.ohio.gov

RSVP & SIGN UP
ohioenr.gov/4hday

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES | ohioenr.gov/4hday

4-H Project Day – will be held **June 17 from 10AM – 4PM at Alum Creek State Park.**

The event is being hosted by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and is open to all 4-H members across Ohio!

Best of all the event is FREE!

The day will be filled with fun, hands-on educational activities that are designed to fulfill 4-H project book requirements. Each workshop event will be taught by experts from ODNR and/or Army Corps Volunteers.

The 4-H projects that are the focus of this even include: **Geology Can You Dig It? Why Trees Matter, Beginning Fishing, Ohio Birds, Insect Adventures, Explore the Outdoors, Photography Basics, and Get Started in Art.**

Any youth under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times.

To register: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=xPz4UNiUB0-E6zbtV8flos1diHXKsttLqSGChkWHZRBUNOJQMzcyNIpOS1FVSVowUjg2RFJITUNZSC4u>

Sheep & Swine Clinic

There will be a Sheep and Swine Clinic on June 13 in the Swine arena at the fairgrounds.

At 6 pm we will start with Swine showmanship/ fitting (approx. 45 min) followed by a feeding clinic for Swine & Sheep (approx. 30 min) and then conclude with a Sheep showmanship/ fitting clinic.

We encourage you to come watch, listen and bring your questions!

- Sheep & Swine Skill-a-thons will be set up for you to practice.
- You may bring your record books if you would like someone to help guide you on how to complete it.
- This is NOT a hands-on clinic so please do not bring your animal.

Virtual Skillathons for Practice



2023 VIRTUAL SKILLATHONS

FOR PRACTICE ONLY: This does not count towards project requirement

AVAILABLE MAY 30TH - OCT 20TH

USE AS:

- OHIO STATE FAIR SKILLATHON PRACTICE
- AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR PROJECT:

PARTICIPANTS MUST BE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 8 AND 19 AS OF JANUARY 1, 2023 AND BE AN OHIO 4-H OR FFA MEMBER!

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO LEARN MORE INFORMATION:

PROJECTS:

SHEEP	DAIRY
SWINE	BEEF
GOAT	HORSE
RABBIT	DOG
POULTRY	CAVY

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences
2023 14th Floor, 222 Animal Sciences Building
Columbus, Ohio 43210
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The State has posted virtual skill-a-thons available for PRACTICE ONLY.

<https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/ohio-4-h-skillathons>

Dairy Clinic



2023

ASHLAND DAIRY CLINIC

LEARN TO SHOW LIKE A PRO!

JUNE 26, 2023
6:00 - 8:00 PM
HARRISTER DAIRY
116 STATE ROUTE 250, JEROMESVILLE, OHIO

Ohio Administrative Code Livestock Exhibition Rules

When reviewing the OAC 901-19 (Ohio Administrative Code Livestock Exhibition Rules), here is a document to help clarify definitions and understand the expectations that must be met for all youth Junior Livestock Exhibitions in Ohio.

<https://ashland.osu.edu/sites/ashland/files/imce/Ohio%20Youth%20Livestock%20Exhibition%20Rules%204.17.23.pdf>

- **PLEASE NOTE:** counties may have ADDITIONAL rules in place and guidelines to meet, in order to be eligible to exhibit. For Example: *The deadline for Quality Assurance completion in Ashland Co. is June 1- even though it is well before the 45 day deadline outlined in this document*
- Please refer to Project Guidelines on our website and the Jr Fair Book for additional information on county specific rules.

Livestock Project Judging

You will be required to come to project Livestock judging before the fair with a completed record book! You may re-use a current project book and update the topics of interest, project activities, youth parent agreement etc.(dates will need to reflect current year) however you are going to be required to have CURRENT YEAR, completed records, for each livestock project!

For example:

- If you have two market goats, that is the same project and those records may be combined in the same book
- If you have a breeding goat and a market goat, those are separate projects and will require separate records. You may use a second project book OR you may use the following tool--2023 Livestock Record--in addition to your one book to meet the record keeping requirement for the second project. If you keep another form of electronic records covering these items, you may print and submit those at judging.

[2023 Livestock Record](#) : Use if you are re-using a project book more than one year or need an additional record keeping tool. This ensures you have current year records for each project.

The record component will make up a significant portion of the members grade and the expectation is that each 4-H member will have completed records. It is recommended that an adult should review the record prior to judging.

Project Requirements

2023 project requirements are now posted on our website at: <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-project-requirements>

Please review the project requirements so you are familiar with the requirements that need to be met in order to exhibit your project at the Ashland County Fair.

For Swine members purchasing Ashland County Born & Raised eligible hogs: [2023 Ashland County Born & Raised Form for Swine](#)

Extension Office Parking Lot

The large parking lot across from our building is currently closed. For now, if space permits, visitors may park in the small parking lot on the same side as our building, but please respect the parking spots that have signs posted.

The small parking lot beside our building will also be closed for renovation soon. Parking may be found at the county lot across Claremont or along a street where parking is allowed.

2023 Ashland County 4-H Calendar

The 2023 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

Find us on Facebook at: [Ohio State- Ashland County 4-H Facebook page](#)



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