



January 12, 2024

Hello 4-H Volunteers:

I hope your new year is off to a great start! The 4-H season is gearing up quickly now. This update contains reminders and details of for upcoming events that we mentioned in recent emails. Please take time to read this email.

2024 Training Requirements and Kick Off Pre-Registration

Ohio 4-H requires annual training requirements for **all** volunteers. Everyone is required to annually complete the Youth Programs and Activities Training (Policy 1.50 training) and competency topic training. In addition to the dates below, we will have one training date in May for those that are not available in February.

NOTE: This year we are request that you pre-register at <https://go.osu.edu/dc4hkickoff> so that we can plan break out locations in the building.

Dates are:

7-9 PM, Thursday, February 1, Byxbe Campus Meeting Room, 1610 State Route 521

10:00 AM -Noon, Saturday, February 3, Byxbe Campus, 1610 State Route 521

1:30-3:30 PM, Monday, February 26, Byxbe Campus Meeting Room, 1610 State Route 521

This year we are also offering a teen track for middle school and high school youth. Volunteers cannot attend this session, as it overlaps some of the required training you must attend. We will send out an email to youth to let them know to pre-register. Feel free to encourage your teens to attend!

4HOnline Enrollment for Volunteers is Open

The 4HOnline system is open for the 2024 season. I highly encourage all volunteers to re-enroll now. Go to <https://oh.4honline.com> We have some Quick Tip instructions attached and also available at <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4honline-enrollment-help> Please wait to enroll youth until you get the 2024 Family Guide, which should be mailed out soon, to verify projects they intend to take.

4-H BCIs Due by February 15

In November, we mailed hard copy letters to those that need to submit a BCI. These must be completed every 4 years. You must enroll in 4HOnline prior getting your BCI. We will have this service available at the banquet on January 23th and I encourage you to do it that evening. We will send a separate email to those needing BCIs with details on payment and when to arrive.

New Volunteers

Do you have new volunteers that will be joining your club? The application process to become a 4-H volunteer is posted at <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/how-become-4-h-volunteer>

Ohio 4-H Conference Registration Due February 5th to Extension Office

This statewide training offers you a wonderful selection of training, and you can meet most of the state training requirements! This year 4-H Committee will pay for the first 16 volunteers that sign up to attend and the first 8 youth! There are sessions for teens and volunteers, so this is a great option for your older youth in the club as well. Please turn in your registration to our office by February 5th. The sessions are filled on first come, first

served basis. Popular session fill quickly, so don't delay! Registration paperwork is at <https://ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference> and we have copies at the office.

2024 Calendar Dates

We are finalizing the 2024 calendar. Here are the first few months and some of the "big" dates that may influence when you schedule vacation.

January

- 1 Junior Fair Board, Camp Counselor and County Award Applications Due in Extension Office
- 4 Delaware County 4-H Committee – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 4-7 OFMA State Jr. Fair Conference - Columbus
- 13 CARTEENS – 9:00-11 AM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 15 Extension Office Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 15 First Year Counselor Applicants Selection Meeting – 6:30-8:00 PM, Extension Office
- 16 State Achievement Forms Due in County Extension Office
- 18 Jr. Fair Board Selection Interviews – 5:30 – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 22 Animal Committee Meetings – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 23 4-H Volunteer and Member Recognition Banquet – Ag Center, Delaware County Fairgrounds
- 30 New Volunteer Orientation – 6:30-9 PM, Extension Office

February

- 1 4-H Kick-Off & Volunteer Training – 7-9 PM, Extension Office
- 3 4-H Kick-Off & Volunteer Training – 8:00AM-Noon, Extension Office
- 10 4-H Committee Retreat – 9 AM to 12:30PM, Extension Office
- 4 Camp Counselor Meeting - 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 9 Ohio 4-H Conference Registration Due - <https://ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference>
- 12 CARTEENS – 6:30-8:30 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 15 Ohio 4-H Scholarship Applications due online
- 19 Camp Counselor Meeting - 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 26 4-H Kick-Off & Volunteer Training – 1:30-3:30PM Extension Office
- 26 Animals Committee Meetings – 7 PM, Extension Office

March

- 2 Market Beef & Dairy Steer must be in Member's Continual Care and Possession
- 4 Market Beef & Dairy Steer Weigh-in and Tagging - 8-9 AM, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 4-10 Ohio 4-H Week
- 4 Camp Counselor Meeting – 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 6 New Volunteer Orientation – 6:30-9 PM, Extension Office
- 7 4-H Committee Meeting – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 9 Ohio 4-H Conference – Columbus Convention Center (registration due 2/9)
- 13 Livestock Committee Meetings – 7 PM, Ag Center, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 16 CARTEENS – 9:00-11 AM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 18 Camp Counselor Meeting – 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 25 Animal Committee Meetings – 7 PM, Extension Office

April

- 1 Ohio State Fair Scholarship Application Deadline – <https://ohiostatefair.com/scholarships>
- 1 Camp Counselor Meeting - 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 2 Junior Fair Board Meeting – 7-8:30 PM, Extension Office Auditorium

- 4 4-H Committee Meeting – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 6 Quality Assurance – 10 AM, Merchants Building, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 6 Rabbit & Poultry Clinic – 11 AM-1PM, Merchants Building, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 11 CARTEENS - 6:30-8:30 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 15 Project Enrollments Due in 4HOnline (Hard Deadline to be fair eligible)**
- 15 Camp Counselor Meeting - 7-9 PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 18 New Volunteer Orientation – 6:30-9 PM, Extension Office
- 22 Animal Committee Meetings – 7 PM, Extension Office
- 29 Camp Counselor's Meeting – 7PM, Extension Office Auditorium
- 19-20 Camp Counselor's Workshop – 4-H Camp Ohio
- 26 TSC Paper Clover Days Start

June

- 14-16 PAS Ohio State Fair Qualifying Shows for Horses, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 15 Cloverbud Camp – Delaware County Fairgrounds (pre-registration required)

July

- 13-17 Delaware Co. 4-H Junior Camp and Teen Camp
- 19 Summer Judging and State Fair Selections – Clothing & Still Projects (specific schedule TBD)
- 20 Summer Judging and State Fair Selections – Food & Nutrition Projects

August

- 4-10 Hartford Independent Fair
- 23 Delaware Co. Jr. Fair Entries Due in FairEntry.com by 11:59 PM**

September

- 2 Extension Office Closed - Labor Day
- 7 Still Exhibits Judging - 9 AM - 1 PM, Ag Center Fairgrounds
- 7 Livestock Project Book Judging (Alpaca, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy, Rabbits, Poultry, Dogs, Horses) – 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 7 Animal Skillathon Judging – 10 AM - 1 PM, Delaware Co. Fairgrounds
- 14-21 Delaware Co. Fair

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