



January 26, 2022

Hello 4-H Volunteers:

Thanks to everyone that helped with the 4-H Volunteer and Member Recognition Banquet last night. The effort and coordination of our 4-H Committee, our Extension staff, and our Sr. Fair Directors created an evening that we enjoyed in the new building on the fairgrounds. As a part of the celebration, the 4-H committee conducted an in-person silent auction that brought in almost \$800. The online auction will close on Monday, January 31st and we appreciate if you can share that link with family and friends. Last year we found that some of our 4-H supporters that are not volunteers appreciated the online auction. The link is

<https://bid.howardauctions.net/Public>

2022 4-H Calendar

The calendar is now posted on our website at <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-calendar> and linked at the bottom of this email.

4HOnline Enrollment Is Open

We are ready for volunteers to enroll themselves and their children, if applicable. I will start communicating to families about enrolling the week of February 15th. Organizational advisors are welcome to communicate to members to start club enrollment now. **Enrollment is required by April 15th to be a member in good standing for fair eligibility.**

Resources to help you enroll are available at <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4honline-enrollment-help>

Organizational advisors should be able to use the club level login we sent you last year. You will not be able to log in until your 2022 enrollment is approved. We continue to hope that expand the functionality of this aspect of the program.

2022 Volunteer Kick Off Meetings

With the current uncertainty, I am hosting the 2022 Kick Off meetings virtually. As I mentioned in a fall letters, beginning this year, Ohio 4-H is requiring volunteers do 2 additional trainings in addition to the 1.50 training. Due to the continuance of COVID, they are allowing us to require only 1 training along with 1.50 training. If you attend the Zoom meetings for Kick Off, you will get a program update and BOTH trainings for the year. Below are the dates to hold and I will send the Zoom link closer to the date.

7-8:30 PM, Tuesday, February 22

10-11:30 PM, Wednesday, February 23

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Policy 1.50 Protection of Youth Minors Training through OSU Scarlet Canvas

There are changes to the 1.50 training and the state has not yet released the online course. It should be coming sometime this spring. To get it done early in the 4-H season, join in on one of the Kick Off meetings listed above.

New Volunteers

Do you have new volunteers that will be joining your club? The application and 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 10th to Extension Office

This statewide training offers you a wonderful selection of training, and you can meet the new state training requirements! The cost is \$40 and the 4-H Committee will reimburse \$15 of your fee after you attend. 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 10th. 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.

Happy News!

We are excited to announce that Jacci Smith and her husband welcomed Riley Marie Smith on January 25th. She is healthy and well loved by her big big brother. Jacci is currently on leave and will return to work in last April. For now, please send Cynthia and me the questions you normally would direct to Jacci.

Through 4-H,

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